

ECOCH Grant Awards

We are so pleased to announce the first ever grant awards from the Executive Committee on Community Health (ECOCH) to five departments who have proposed creative, innovative ways of incorporating community health and health equity into their work:

1. *Family Supportive Therapy (Psychiatry/MGH Revere)*, *Tony Lim* — MGH Revere mental health clinicians will implement a substance use treatment program that involves family and friends of those with a substance use disorder.
2. *Community Outreach and Engagement in the MGH Cancer Center (Cancer Center and Neurology)*, *Beverly Moy with Jonathan Jackson* — This project seeks to enhance community outreach and education in black communities of Boston to address disparities in cancer clinical trial participation.
3. *Integrated Behavioral Diabetes Management for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness (Psychiatry with Medicine)*, *Eden Evins* — This program will integrate a diabetes management curriculum into ongoing psychiatric care for those with serious mental illness in the community.
4. *A Community-Based Approach to Addressing Disparities in HIV Testing (Medicine/MGH Chelsea)*, *Julie Levison* — This project seeks to address factors that influence provider delivery and patient uptake of HIV testing and counseling.
5. *Building Confidence and Improving Lives, One Smile at a Time (OMFS with the ED's Freedom Clinic)*, *Jennifer Magee* — Ten survivors of human trafficking who cite the condition of their teeth as a barrier to getting a job will be provided comprehensive dental care.

Congratulations to the awardees! We look forward to hearing more about the wonderful work that you will be doing.

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