

The University of Alabama at Birmingham
O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center
Associate Director, Community Outreach and Engagement
Birmingham, Alabama

The Opportunity

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an energetic and innovative executive leader to serve as Associate Director for Community Outreach and Engagement in the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Alabama and advance a well-established program at a storied institution with significant growth on the horizon. The AD will hold a faculty position in a department of any of the 12 UAB schools including medicine, public health, nursing, dentistry, or health professions.

Reporting to [Barry Sleckman, M.D., Ph.D.](#), Cancer Center Director, and serving as a key member of the O'Neal Senior Leadership team, the AD will oversee the Office of Community Outreach and Engagement and its mandate to continuously monitor cancer burdens. The AD works directly with a Community Advisory Board and more than 250 Community Health Associates to enhance bilateral communication between O'Neal members and the population of the catchment area and will also focus on fostering transdisciplinary research in cancer burdens and disparities important to the catchment area.

The Ideal Candidate

The AD will be a progressive, visionary, and outstanding leader with contributions in community advocacy, teaching and service that show a commitment to diversity and equal opportunity. The AD must be eligible for academic appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or above, with an MD, MD/PhD, PhD or comparable degree in a relevant field, and an understanding of community outreach and engagement, particularly in underserved populations.

The Organization

The [O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center](#) at UAB was built on a culture of scientific discovery and clinical excellence. Since it was established in 1971, the Cancer Center has been continuously funded for 48 years and has become a world-renowned institution for cancer research and care delivery. [UAB's Heersink SOM](#) is a multi-campus medical school that ranks 21st nationally in NIH research funding and in the top 8 for all public institutions.

[The University of Alabama at Birmingham](#) is experiencing major and sustained investment and growth, due to both its exceptional research faculty and its culture of collaboration. Through concerted and strategic investments in its clinical and research enterprise, UAB has undergone an amazing transformation in the past five years and has strengthened its status and reputation as a leader in medical training, biomedical discovery, innovation, and patient care. UAB received nearly [\\$849 million in research grants and extramural awards](#) in 2021, up from almost \$638 million the previous year and including two pandemic-related awards totaling \$201 million. Not including extraordinary awards from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UAB research funding still exceeded \$648 million in 2021 — a \$10 million year-to-year boost that extends the five-year rate of increase to 43%. UAB fosters a collaborative environment that [welcomes and celebrates all people](#). [UAB's Grand Challenge](#) is an exciting example of UAB's commitment to improving the health of the community and state.

The Region

[Birmingham, Alabama](#) is a friendly, diverse, and welcoming urban center nestled at the base of the Appalachian Mountains. The area has undergone a cultural revolution and community invigoration and is brimming with entertainment, arts, nightlife, outdoor recreation, sports, and world-class cuisine. Birmingham has its own airport with daily direct connections to 26 airports and 23 cities. Located two hours east is Atlanta's International Airport and metro area, while lovely beach communities are easily accessible along the gulf coast.

Nominations are greatly appreciated and may be sent to:

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