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### THE FUTURE OF MEDICINE: HEALTH EQUITY IN CLINICAL TRIALS

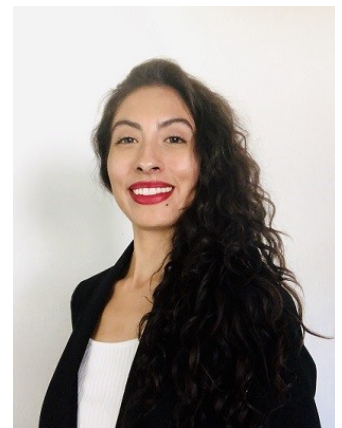
Wednesday, March 17, 2021

2:00 - 3:15 pm Eastern Time

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Clinical trials are critical components in healthcare and improve the lives of millions. Despite federal regulatory policies, clinical trials continue to lack representation of ethnic and racial minority populations. Diverse and representative clinical trials are needed to ensure overall better health outcomes. Without diversity, knowledge gained from research is less applicable to certain populations and results in complications after drug approval. With today's shift towards precision medicine and understanding the needs of different approaches for different populations in achieving healthier lives, inclusion and diversity in clinical trials is imperative. Clinical trials advance medicine, and everyone needs to be part of the advancement. This brief will explore the barriers in recruiting diverse participants, how this issue translates to the current COVID-19 pandemic clinical trials, and efforts to address this issue.



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