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Media Advisory: NIH Office of Research on Women's Health to Hold Forum on Effective Approaches to Fostering Faculty Gender Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

WHAT: The National Institutes of Health's Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) will hold a half-day forum titled "[Effective Approaches to Fostering Faculty Gender Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Celebrating Progress](#)," in partnership with the American Association for the Advancement of Science's (AAAS) STEM Equity Achievement (SEA) Change initiative and in collaboration with the National Academies' Committee on Women in Science, Engineering, and Medicine. The forum will recognize the [winning institutions and honorable mentions](#) of the NIH Prize for Enhancing Faculty Gender Diversity in Biomedical and Behavioral Science and feature current AAAS SEA Change institutions. These institutions will share their effective, evidence-based practices, explore challenges, and discuss ways to improve the existing career paradigm for many women in biomedical and behavioral science during four themed panels:

- Vision for Institutional Change
- Training for Inclusive, Equity-Minded Environments
- Reducing Barriers to Career Advancement
- Effective Tools for Assessing and Monitoring Outcomes

Audience members can attend the livestreamed forum virtually or watch a recorded videocast when it is made available after the event.

WHEN & WHERE: Held virtually on October 5, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/3799ec5m>

SPEAKERS AT THE EVENT:

- NIH Director Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D.
- NIH ORWH Director Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO
- AAAS CEO Sudip Parikh, Ph.D.
- Senior Advisor to the CEO of AAAS and Director of SEA Change Shirley Malcom, Ph.D.
- Distinguished University Professor in the Center for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology at the University of Maryland Rita Colwell, Ph.D.
- Representatives from the prize-winning institutions
- Representatives from AAAS's SEA Change initiative

Please visit the event page at <https://go.usa.gov/xM5qP>.

All participants can share thoughts during the event via Twitter: #STEMMGenderEquity

LEARN MORE: Information about the forum can be found on the ORWH website <https://go.usa.gov/xM5q6>.

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About ORWH: ORWH serves as the focal point for women's health research at NIH. It is the first Public Health Service office dedicated specifically to promoting women's health research within, as well as beyond, the NIH scientific community. The office also fosters the recruitment, retention, reentry, and advancement of women in biomedical careers. For more information about ORWH, visit www.nih.gov/women.

About NIH: NIH, the nation's medical research agency, includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NIH is the primary federal agency conducting and supporting basic, clinical, and translational medical research and is investigating the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit www.nih.gov.

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