

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

1995 ***Master of Science in Genetic Counseling***
University of Pittsburgh, Graduate School of Public Health

1993 ***Bachelor of Science in General Biological Sciences/ Genetics***
University of Maryland College Park, *Cum Laude*

Certification

American Board of Genetic Counseling, 1999 – present

License

Genetic Counseling License, Maryland Department of Health Board of Physicians,
2025 - present

Academic Appointments/Affiliations

2006 - present Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Howard University College of Medicine, Division of Medical Genetics

2006 – 2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Genetics and Human Genetics, Howard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Sept 1999 - present Instructor, Program in Clinical Ethics, Howard University College of Medicine

March 2011 – July 2014 Director, Genetic Counseling Training Program, HU Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Genetics and Human Genetics

Jan 2000 – March 2011 Co-Director, Howard University Genetic Counseling Training Program

Oct 2000 - June 2006 Instructor, Howard University College of Medicine, Dept of Pediatrics and Child Health, Div of Med Genetics

Oct 1995 - Oct 2000 Howard University College of Medicine, Faculty, Clinical Instructor of Pediatrics

Employment

Sept 2000- present	Dept of Pediatrics and Child Health, Division of Medical Genetics Senior Genetic Counselor
July 2008 – present	Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease Assistant Director for Community Outreach and Education
November 2013 – 2021	Genetic Counselor Consultant, DC Veterans Medical Center, Genomics Center
March 1997-Sept 1997	Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Genetics and Public Policy Studies, Baltimore, MD Genetic Counselor, Consultant Supervisors: Gail Geller, PhD, Barbara Bernhardt, MS, and Sharon Metz, RN <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provided pretest genetic counseling to first-degree relatives of breast/ovarian cancer patients regarding BRCA1/2 testing.
Dec 1995- Sept 1997	Sinai Hospital of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD and Howard University Genetic Counselor, Member, Genetic-LINC Supervisors: Dr. Antonie D. Kline, Dr. Verle Headings, and Ilana Mittman, MS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provided prenatal and pediatric genetic counseling services at Sinai Hospital – coordinated pediatric genetics clinic• Attended career fairs at predominantly minority colleges in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Virginia for recruitment of minorities into genetic counseling field
May 1994-April 1995 4 months	Clinical Internships Magee-Womens Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA Clinical Supervisors: Dr. Elizabeth McPherson and Dr. Allen Hogge
4 months	West Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA Clinical Supervisor, Dr. Karen Filkins
2 months	Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA Clinical Supervisor, Dr. Mark Steele

Professional Memberships

1999 - present	American Board of Genetic Counseling, Diplomate <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance Committee (2025 – present)• Board of Directors (2021- 2024)<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Certification Exam Committee Board Liaison 2021▪ Marketing and Communications Committee Board Liaison 2022▪ Nominating Committee Board Liaison 2022▪ Diversity, Equity, Justice and Inclusion Task Force Board Co-Liaison 2023▪ Treasurer and Finance Committee Board Liaison 2024• Leadership Academy Task Force, Dec 2018 – March 2020• Nominating Committee 2007, 2013
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- 1994 – present National Society of Genetic Counselors, Member
- Prenatal, Renal, and Cardio Special Interest Groups
 - Nominating Committee 2006 - 2007
 - Membership Committee 1997 – 2013
 - Organizational Cultural Competency Committee – 2010 – 2013
 - Public Policy Committee Co-chair, Jan 2008 – 2009
 - Board of Directors, Public Policy Committee Chair, 2007
 - Chair/Co-Chair Student Scholarship Committee, 2000 - 2004
 - AEC Logistics Committee Chair – 2004, 2006
 - Health Disparities Working Group – 2006-2008
 - Diversity Special Interest Group, 1997 – 2003
 - Co-chair, Nov 2000 – Nov 2002
 - Diversity Task Force, 1999 – 2000
 - Genetic Services Committee, 1995 – 97
- 2000 - 2014 Association of Genetic Counseling Program Directors 2000 – 2014

Honors and Awards

- 2020 The Natalie Weissberger Paul National Achievement Award Recipient
 - Most distinguished honor bestowed by the National Society of Genetic Counselors

Professional Activities

- 2025 – present American Kidney Foundation, Unknown Causes of Kidney Disease Project, Healthcare Professionals Group member
- 2025 - present APOL1 Kidney disease Roadmap Implementation Roundtable, Clinician work group member
- 2022 - present Beyond the Medical: The ELSI of Polygenic Scores for Social Traits project, External Advisory Board
- 2023 - present Sick Cells Advisory Board
- 2022 - present Warren Alpert Foundation Alliance to Increase Diversity in Genetic Counseling (AID-GC)
- Chair, External Advisory Board,
- 2021 – present University of Pittsburgh GC Program Advisory Board
- 2021 – present Co-Founder, Genetics Opportunities, Learning, Development, Empowerment and Networking (GOLDEN) Program
- 2017- present Boise State MS Genetic Counseling Program Admissions Committee,
- 2023 – 2024 AAP CATCH Implementation grant, "Improve Awareness of Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) Curative Therapies, Advisory Board
- 2023 – 2024 Sickle Cell Reproductive Health Education Directive Writing Group
- 2020 – 2024 New York Mid-Atlantic Caribbean Regional Genetics Network, DC Team Co-Leader
- 2019 – 2022 All of Us Genetic Counseling Resource Advisory Board, Color Genomics
- 2020 – 2022 Alliance for Genetics and Genomics Workforce Diversity Advisory Group, NIH-NHGRI
- 2019 External Reviewer for University of Cincinnati Genetic Counseling Program – Sept 2019
- 2019 – 2021 Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling
- Diversity Task Force, October 2019 – 2021
- 2018 – 2023 Minority Genetics Professional Network, Consultant

2019 – 2022 Affiliate Graduate Faculty Member – Virginia Commonwealth University
 2019 National Marrow Donor Program, Be the Match Summit of Experts invitee
 2017 – 2019 Newborn Screening Translational Research Network, Bioethics and Legal Issues Workgroup
 2009– 2017 New York-Mid-Atlantic Consortium for Genetics and Newborn Screening Services (Region 2), Advisory council representative, work group member
 2004 – 2016 DC Department of Health, Maternal, Child and Family Health, Appointee, Mayoral Metabolic Advisory Board
 2003 – 2005 US Dept of Health and Human Services, Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society

Manuscript Reviewer

Genetics in Medicine, Journal of Genetic Counseling, Journal of the National Medical Association, Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health, Public Health Genomics, Pediatric Quality and Safety

- 2019 - Reviewer for Special Issue of the Journal of Genetic Counseling - Minority and Health Disparities in Research and Practice in Genetic Counseling and Genomic Medicine

Research Activity

2026 – present Co-Principal Investigator, Implementation of a Questionnaire-Based Screening Protocol for Early Identification of FXTAS in At-Risk Populations, with Dr. Tamaro Hudson

2026 – present Co-Principal Investigator, Optimizing Health Outcomes of Sickle Cell Disease Populations in Underserved Communities through Community-Based Participatory Research, \$100,000 through Oct 2027, with Dr. James Taylor

2025 - present Principal Investigator, Improving Access to Sickle Cell and other Hemoglobinopathy Carrier Screening to Facilitate Empowered and Informed Family Planning, funded by the Maryland Department of Health, \$200,000, through July 2027

2025 – present Co-Principal Investigator, Sickle Cell Wellness Center Community Outreach Plan, funded by the Government of the District of Columbia Department of Health, \$50,000 through Sept 2026, In collaboration Dr. James Taylor

2023 – present Co-PI, An assessment of outcomes, satisfaction and perceived value of a mentoring program to support Black prospective genetic counselors (GC) and GC students. In collaboration with Grace-Ann Fasaye, previously funded by the New York Mid-Atlantic Caribbean Regional Genetics Network

2022 – 2026 Co-Investigator, Parental perspectives on newborn genomic research in a diverse population. In collaboration with Ingrid Holm, et al. at Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, funded by the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences

2013- 2019 Center for Hemoglobin Research in Minorities (NHLBI P50) Steering Comm.

2005 – 2008 Howard University College of Medicine Associate Project Director, “District of Columbia Greater Access to Pediatric Services in Sickle Cell Disease”, Funded by HRSA

- 2003 - 2006 HU-COM, Washington, DC, and Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
Co-Investigator, "Genetic Counseling Processes and Analogue Client Outcome"
Funded by NIH
- 2002 – 2003 Baylor College of Medicine, The Breast Cancer Genetics Survey Project, Phase 1
Genetic Counseling Consultant
- 2000 – 2006 HU-COM, Washington, DC
Co-Investigator, "Hereditary Hemochromatosis and Iron Overload Study"
 - Involved in ELSI subcommittee, Genetic Counseling working group, Funded by NIH
- 1997 - 2000 HU-COM, Washington, DC
Genetic Counselor and Participating Investigator, "Providing Access to and Utilization of
Genetic Services among an Indigent African-American Patient Population at Howard
University Hospital", Funded by HRSA
- 1994 - 1995 Carnegie Mellon University, Department of Biology
Graduate Student Researcher
Principal Investigator- Dr. Chien Ho
 - Thesis Project: The Roles of Alpha-114 Proline and Beta-87 Threonine in the
Formation of the Sickle Hemoglobin Polymer
- 1993 NIH, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
Summer Intramural Research Training Award Fellow
Mentors- Steven Shapiro, PhD; Dr. Alan Schechter, PhD

Current Teaching Responsibilities

Howard University, College of Medicine

- Molecules and Cells, Unit II – instructor and small group leader
- Central Nervous System Unit IV - instructor
- Sophomore Medical Students - Genetics lecture and small group leader
- Junior Medical Students, Pediatric lecture series – lecturer
- Junior Medical Students, OB/GYN lecture series – lecturer
- Interdisciplinary Health Care Ethics Course for Medical, Dental, Nursing, Pharmacy, and Allied Health students – instructor, small group leader
- Postdoctoral Dentists in Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics lecture series – instructor

Previous Teaching Responsibilities

Howard University, Graduate School, Dept of Genetics and Human Genetics

- Cancer Genetics I: Clinical Aspects of Cancer – coordinator and instructor (2015 – 2022)
- Cytogenetics – coordinator and instructor (2015- 2022)
- Human Genetics I & II – instructor (2015 - 2022)
- Medical Genetics – instructor (2015 – 2022)
- Advanced Topics in Genetic Counseling, Part I – instructor and coordinator (2000-2013)
- Advanced Topics in Genetic Counseling, Part II– instructor and coordinator (2000-2013)
- Principles and Practices of Genetic Counseling – instructor and coordinator (2000-2013)
- Ethical, Legal and Social Issues in Human Genetics - instructor and coordinator (2010-2013)
- Psychosocial Aspects of Genetic Disorders – instructor and coordinator (2012 – 2013)
- Human Dysmorphology and Teratology – instructor and coordinator (2012 - 2013)

- Pathophysiology, Nurse Practitioner and Physical Therapy students – lecturer
Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences
- Ethics Course lecturer, medical students (2014 – 2022)

Masters Thesis Committee Membership (selected of 18 total)

(Defense Date)

April 2026	The Influence of the Minority Tax on the Professional Satisfaction of Black Genetic Counselors Camryn Titus, Baylor College of Medicine
April 2023	Assessing Nursing Students' Attitudes and Knowledge on the Symptoms, Management, Treatment and Patients with Sickle Cell Disease Janel Barbee, Student Researcher, Kean University
May 2022	Racial and Ethnic Minority Student Perceptions of Cultural Competency, Cultural Humility and Anti-Racist Curriculum in Genetic Counseling Programs Tyler Stokes, Student Researcher, Northwestern University
April 2022	"Experiences of Racial and Ethnic Minority Patients With Genetic Counseling" Émile Moura Coelho da Silva, Student Researcher, University of Texas

Masters Thesis Research Advisership (selected of 21 total)

(Defense date)

May 2014	"An Assessment of College Students' Knowledge of the Importance and Awareness of Family Health History" Eleina Cox, Student Researcher
April 2014	"Effectiveness of Genetic Counseling Sessions for Presumed Lethal Genetic Disorders: Views of Families with Trisomy 13, Mosaic Trisomy 16, and Trisomy 18" Toni Lewis, Student Researcher
April 2014	"The Impact of Culture & Ethnicity on the Counseling Process: Perspectives of Genetic Counselors from Minority Ethnic Groups" Brittanie Morris, Student researcher, University of South Carolina
December 2011	"Genetic Counselors' Approach to Diagnosis Nondisclosure to Children" Lorrell White, Student Researcher
December 2011	"Assessment of Awareness and Opinion of Direct-To-Consumer Genome Testing Among Physicians and Medical Students" Shanna Levy, Student Researcher

Institutional Administrative Service

2023 – present	HU Cancer Center Committee member
2023 - 2025	Howard University Cancer Center Health Equity Task Force

2023 – 2025
2017 –2018

Howard University Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Task Force
HU National Human Genome Center Director Search Committee

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles (selected, please see additional manuscripts at link)

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/myncbi/barbara.harrison.1/bibliography/public/>

AuBuchon KE, McDonnell A, Arem H, Taylor T, Kanaan YM, Gondré-Lewis MC, **Harrison BW**, Chapell NP, Bauman JE, King CJ, Chalasani P, Gallagher C, Williams CD, Pratt-Chapman ML. (2026) Establishing diversity, equity, inclusion and justice task forces for District of Columbia area cancer centers: Lessons learned implementing efforts in oncology. *PLoS One*. 2026 Feb 12;21(2):e0341662. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0341662. PMID: 41678464

Del Rosario MC, Walmsley SA, **Harrison BW**, Stephens CT, Zettler B, Rivera-Cruz G, Agrawal P, Brower A, Chigbu S, Christensen KD, Genetti CA, Givens R, Gold NB, Reeves IV, Schichter I, Shariat H, Simon S, Smith HS, Uveges M, Green RC, Holm IA, Pereira S. (2026) Designing inclusive newborn sequencing research: insights from parents in underrepresented communities. *BMC Med Genomics*. 2026 Jan 28. 19(1):40. doi: 10.1186/s12920-026-02307-8. PMID: 41593648.

Baldwin A, Berninger T, **Harrison B**, Ramos E, McGinniss MA (2022) Assessing barriers to the career ladder and professional development for ethnic minority genetic counselors in the United States. *J Genet Couns*. 2022 May 4. doi: 10.1002/jgc4.1574.

Niu X, Parry C, Mason A, **Harrison B**, et al. (2020) Prevalence of Sickle Cell Trait and Rare Hemoglobin Variants in the Metropolitan Washington DC Area [Letter to the Editor]. *Journal of Hematology* 9(3):93-95.

Haque A, Ware O, **Harrison BW**, and Goel SJ (2019) Sudden neutropenia and emesis in an SGA infant. *Contemporary Pediatrics* 36(8):14-20.

Halbert CH and **Harrison BW** (2018) Genetic Counseling among Minority Populations in the Era of Precision Medicine. *American Journal of Medical Genetics Part C Seminars in Medical Genetics* 178(1):68-74

Harrison B (2001) *Genetic Testing and Counseling for Predisposition to Cancer*. *Journal of Registry Management* 28 (3): 146-150.

Book Chapters

- 2025 Channaoui N, Ewing-Crawford A, Harrison BW, and PanV, **Health Disparities and Opportunities for Equity in Genetic Counseling**, in: *A Guide to Genetic Counseling, 3rd Edition*. Wiley/Blackwell
- 2009 Berka N, Vaughn T, Headings V, **Harrison BW**, Murray R, Ampy F, Abdul-Alik I, **Attitudes of Muslims Regarding the new Genetics: Testing, Treatment, and Technology**. In: Mosen R (ed), *Genetics and Ethics in Health Care: New Questions in the Age of Genomic Health*. Silver Spring, Nursesbooks.org, ANA p.149-163.

Poster Presentations (selected from 18 total, poster and platform as indicated)

Harrison B, Johnson TG, Price E, Scott D, Fasaye, G. Black Prospective Genetic Counselors' Views on Career Pathways and Support Initiatives (2025) NSGC Conference Abstract, Poster presentation

Pereira S, del Rosario M, S Walmsley, **Harrison B**, Stevens Smith H, Genetti C, Stephens C, Zettler B, Green R, Holm I. *Qualitative Exploration of Diverse Participant Recruitment in Newborn Sequencing Research: Lessons from the BabySeq Project*, ELSI Congress, Poster Presentation

Johnson S, Senter L, **Harrison B**, Pan V, Hamlin D, and Brown J (2022) *Assessing Genetic Counselors' Current Practice and Perceived Utility of Race, Ethnicity, and Ancestry (REA) Data Collection during Clinical Encounters*, NSGC Conference Abstract, Poster presentation

Fasaye G, **Harrison B**, Calzone K, and Linehan W (2021) *Sickle Cell Trait Associated Cancer: A Renal Medullary Carcinoma Case Report to Inform Genetic Counseling*, NSGC Conference Abstract, Poster presentation

Baldwin A, Berninger T, **Harrison B**, Ramos E, McGinniss M. (2020) *Assessing Barriers to the Career Ladder for Ethnic Minority Genetic Counselors*, NSGC Conference Abstract, Platform presentation

Harrison B, Mason A, Niu X, Ammosova TN, Nekhai S (2017) Experience with Screening Collegiate Athletes for Sickle Cell Trait in Accordance with the National Collegiate Athletic Association Policy

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America Annual Convention, Oral presentation
NSGC Conference Abstract, Poster presentation
SCDAA National Convention, Platform Presentation

Thompson N, **Harrison B** (2012) *The Student-Athlete's Knowledge and Perceptions of Sickle Cell Trait in Regards to the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Sickle Cell Trait Testing Regulations*, NSGC Conference Abstract, Poster presentation

Community Education Publications

2025	Fact Sheet for Parents: Carrier for Hemoglobinopathy, Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease
2017	<i>Sickle Cell Trait</i> , updated, Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease
2017	<i>Sickle Cell Story</i> , Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease
2011	<i>Sickle Cell Trait</i> , Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease
2011	<i>Hydroxyurea, An option to maintain your health</i> , HU Center for Sickle Cell Disease
2010	<i>Howard University Center for Sickle Cell Disease: Comprehensive Guide for Patients and Family Members</i>

Invited Professional Lectures/Panelist (selected of 41 total)

April 2026	Panelist, "Hereditary Disease in Plain Sight: Building the Infrastructure to Identify and Treat High-Risk Populations", at the 24th Annual National Minority Quality Forum Leadership Summit
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April 2026 Panelist, "It Takes a Team: Improving APOL1-Mediated Kidney Disease (AMKD) Identification and the Patient Experience", at Renal Physicians Association Annual Conference, hosted by the American Kidney Fund

December 2025 Speaker, "GOLDEN" A Grassroots Initiative to Increase the Number of Black Genetic Counselors", New York State Genetics Task Force Quarterly Meeting

November 2025 Session coordinator and moderator, "Spilling the (Kidney) Beans: What Every Genetic Counselor Should Know About the Genetics of Nephrology", NSGC Annual Conference Educational Breakout Session

May 2025 Panelist, "Empowering Health Decisions Through Family History and Genetic Counseling", at Family Health History: The Role of Ancestry, Genomics, and Faith, hosted by the Faith Based Genome Research Institute

April 2025 Speaker, "The evolving role of the genetic counselor: When is consultation appropriate and what will it entail?", at the National Medical Association Region II Annual Conference, Black Physicians – Preparing Ourselves and Communities for a New Frontier: Precision/Personalized Medicine

March 2025 Speaker, "The Power of Genetic Testing in Kidney Care and Building Trust in the Black Community", at the NephCure 2nd Annual Health Equity Conference, Health Equity and Kidney Care in Black America

September 2024 Panelist, "Unlocking the Unknown - Addressing the Unequal Burden of Kidney Disease on Black Americans", speaking on the importance of genetic testing and family history, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Annual Legislative Conference

September 2024 Session coordinator and moderator, "Ordering 'The Cure' with a Side of Trepidation: The Challenges of Gene Therapy for Sickle Cell Disease", NSGC Annual Conference Beverly Rollnick Memorial Lecture

July 2024 Participant, Summit On Sickle Cell Trait Screening In The NCAA - Part 1, hosted by the Duke University and The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

April 2024 Podcast speaker, "Golden Opportunities: Careers, Mentoring, and Patient Care in Genetic Counseling" on *Genetically Speaking* podcast hosted by the American Society of Human Genetics

April 2024 Panelist, "APOL1 Mediated Kidney Disease" at the National Minority Quality Forum, 22nd Annual National Leadership Summit on Health Disparities

October 2023 Session coordinator and presenter, "Shine the Light and Bring the Heat: How to Implement a Health Equity Guide for Healthcare Transformation and Accountability", NSGC Annual Conference

October 2023 Speaker, "Reproductive Carrier Screening Today: Evolving Guidelines, Novel Treatments, and Disparities in Care – Sickle cell disease", NSGC Annual Conference

May 2023	Moderator, National Organization of Rare Disorders Annual Patient and Family Forum, panel discussion on “Rare in the Family: Family Planning and Decision Making”-
March 2023	Speaker, “Ancestry and Health: A Conversation with a Genetic Counselor”, hosted by All of Us Research Program
October 2021	Panelist, “Improving Diversity of the Genomics Workforce: A Workshop” hosted by the Roundtable on Genomics and Precision Health of The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
September 2021	Janus Lecture, “You Can Never Feel My Pain: The History and the Future of Sickle Cell Disease”, National Society of Genetic Counselors 40 th Annual Education Conference
April 2021	Keynote Speaker, “Addressing the Past to Impact the Future of Personalized Medicine”, American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science DC and VA Chapters Joint Virtual Spring Meeting
September 2020	“Hope on the Horizon? An Update on Sickle Cell Disease”; Webinar speaker for The Maryland and DC Society of Genetic Counselors Education Series

Other Professional Presentations (selected of 19 total)

December 2023	“Bringing Genetic Counseling into Specialty Care: A Case of Ectodermal Dysplasia”, HUH Pediatric Grand Rounds
December 2022	“REAL talk: The use of Race, Ethnicity and Ancestry in Clinical Research, Genetic Testing and Medical Care”, HUH Pediatric Grand Rounds

Community Presentations/Media Exposure (selected of 37 total)

November 2025	Podcast guest, “When Genes Meet Justice: Kidney Risk, Gene Therapy, and Community Care”, Demystifying Genetics Podcast https://demystifyinggenetics.podbean.com/
September 2025	Panelist, “Empowering Black Communities: A Call to Action for the Fight Against Kidney Disease”, hosted by the American Kidney Fund at the 34 rd Annual Legislative Conference of the Congressional Black Caucus
May 2025	Speaker, “Empowering Health Decisions Through Family History and Genetic Counseling”, at “Family Health History: The Role of Ancestry, Genomics and Faith”, hosted by the Faith-Based Genetic Research Institute, Detroit, MI
May 2025	Speaker, “Genetics 101: Health Awareness and Legacy” at the Congress Heights Senior Wellness Center, Washington, DC
October 2024	Panelist, “Breast Cancer”, speaking on genetics of breast cancer and the importance of family history, for the Service Employees International Union

August 2024	Panelist, “Understanding Sickle Cell Trait” on Instagram Live, hosted by Sickle Cell Prodigy
April 2024	Panelist, “STEM Careers beyond MD and PhD” hosted by the Johns Hopkins DPAC HBCU Mentoring Program
June 2023	Panelist, “We Keep It Moving” videocast, hosted by Marsha Jews, about sickle cell disease and blood donation
March 2023	Speaker, Men's Health Awareness Clubs, “Creating and Understanding a Family Health History”
May 2022	Speaker on the “African American Experience” show, hosted by African Ancestry, Inc.
March, Nov 2022	Speaker, “Genetic Diseases, Family History, Genetic Testing and Personalized Medicine”, Project GE:NES (Genomics Education: Nurturing, Empowering, Sustainable) community outreach and education on genomics and health disparities for high school students in Miami, FL
September 2021	Sickle cell disease awareness segment, Black News Channel
September 2020	Sickle Cell Disease Awareness with Dr. Wayne A. I. Frederick, HU President on HUR@Home with Harold Fisher

Volunteer/ Community Work

2026– present	Board of Directors, APOL1 Action Alliance
January 2021 – present	Co-Founder, Genetics Opportunities, Learning, Development, Empowerment and Networking (GOLDEN) Program to raise awareness of genetic counseling as a career choice and mentor applicants to program, to increase the number of Black genetic counselors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded 2021 – 2025 by the New York Mid-Atlantic Caribbean Regional Genetics Network
2000 – present	Sickle Cell Disease Association of the National Capital Area, Washington, DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Directors, 2001 – present • Liaison, SiNERGe project, HRSA – 2018 to present • Education Director/ Counselor
March 1998 – present	Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, DC
Oct 1997 – Feb 2000	College Bound, Washington DC
Feb 1994-Oct 1996	Sickle Cell Clinic at Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA