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## MOREHOUSE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PARTNERS LAUNCH EFFORTS TO INCREASE DIVERSITY IN CLINICAL TRIALS

Medical Experts Promote Needed Diversity in Health Research

June 2, 2014 - ATLANTA – Some of the brightest minds in the world of medicine development will come together at Morehouse School of Medicine, discussing ways to address the urgent need for more diversity in clinical trials and the development of new medicines. Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM) will host scientific and medical experts in discussions and forums to enhance efforts and better understand and improve the way our science and medical communities develop and provide medicines.

As part of the school's mission, MSM has focused research on signature areas that disproportionately impact minority communities - cardio metabolic diseases, cancer, reproductive diseases, women's health and neurological disorders. The school is also a leader in providing comprehensive healthcare. Working together with government and the nation's business communities, this forum will provide information about direction regarding how medicines can be better developed for people of all backgrounds, races and genders.

Event Details: Date:	Diversity in Clinical Trials Forum Thursday, June 19, 2014
Time:	Noon to 2 p.m.
Location:	Morehouse School of Medicine,

Location: Morehouse School of Medicine, National Center for Primary Care 720 Westview Drive, SW Atlanta, GA 30310-1495

## **Available Interviews:**

- John E. Maupin, DDS, president, Morehouse School of Medicine
- Valerie Montgomery Rice, MD, incoming president, dean and executive vice president, Morehouse School of Medicine
- Jolene B. Lowery, PharmD, MD, assistant Professor, endocrinology and metabolism, Morehouse School of Medicine
- Freda Lewis-Hall, MD, executive vice president and chief medical officer, Pfizer
- Camara Phyllis Jones, MD, MPH, PhD, senior fellow, Satcher Health Leadership Institute,

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research director on social determinants of health and equity, division of adult and community health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

• Marsha B. Henderson, assistant commissioner for women's health, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

For More Information on clinical trials, please visit: <u>https://clinicaltrials.gov/</u> and <u>https://www.joinimin.org/SitePages/index.aspx</u>

## About Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM)

Founded in 1975, MSM is among the nation's leading educators of primary care physicians and was recently recognized as the top institution among U.S. medical schools for our social mission. Our faculty and alumni are noted for excellence in teaching, research and public policy, as well as exceptional patient care.

Morehouse School of Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award doctorate and master's degrees.

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