

2021 Application Preview*
**Bernard J. Tyson National Award for Excellence
in Pursuit of Healthcare Equity**

Applicants are encouraged to submit initiatives that describe efforts that addressed specific disparities in care processes or outcomes, implemented a well-defined intervention, and found a measurable, sustained reduction in disparities. The application period opened May 17, 2021 and has been extended to 11:59pm (CT) August 6, 2021 from the initial deadline, which was 11:59pm (CT) on July 8, 2021.

**This PDF is for reference only; all submissions must be entered directly into the SurveyMonkey Apply online platform in order to complete the application.*

CONTACT AND ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

- Submitter Name and Contact Information
- Leadership-level Contact (CEO, Executive Director) Name and Contact Information
- Organization Name
- Physical Address, Web Site

INITIATIVE SPECIFICS

- Name/Title of Initiative (limit 250 characters, including spaces)
- Executive Summary of Initiative (*2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single-spaced page*). **This section should be written similar to a journal abstract** with a few sentences addressing key concepts related to the project.
- Describe the healthcare disparity that was the target for the improvement project/initiative and the importance of this target for the population your organization serves (2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single spaced page).
- Describe how the healthcare disparity was identified at your organization and your baseline measurement of the disparity (1,250 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1/2 single spaced page).
- Explain what factors you identified as the causes of the disparity and possible targets for your intervention to reduce the disparity (2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single spaced page).
- Describe team and stakeholder engagement throughout the initiative (1,250 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1/2 single spaced page).
- Describe the improvement and its implementation (2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single-spaced page).
- Describe measurable improvement(s) in the targeted disparity (2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single spaced page).
- Describe whether the improvements seen were sustained and any processes put in place to monitor and ensure that the improvement will be sustained in the future (2,500 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1 single spaced page).
- If applicable, describe how the interventions/solutions were replicated (disseminated) to other parts of the organization or other care sites (1,250 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1/2 single spaced page).
- Describe innovative aspects of the work, including principles that are applicable to other disparities and/or any lessons learned that may be beneficial to other organizations (1,250 character limit, including spaces; approximately 1/2 single spaced page).

OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENT UPLOAD

- Applicants will have the opportunity to upload a Supplemental Document of up to seven (7) pages of Tables and/or Figures. Applicants must reference each figure/table within their narrative responses to link the information.

PROJECT LEAD BIOSKETCH

- Upload a biosketch for the lead of the initiative (two page limit).