FRIDAY APRIL 8th 2016 at 1:20 pm
348 Miller Learning Center

RACE AND HEALTH DISPARITIES
FORUM

“Precision Medicine and Disparities: Using Behavioral Science to Enhance Equity”

with special guest speaker

Chanita Hughes-Halbert, Ph.D.

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The goal of Dr. Hughes-Halbert’s research program is to identify sociocultural, psychological, genetic, and environmental determinants of cancer health disparities and to translate this information into sustainable interventions in clinic and community-based settings to improve cancer outcomes in racially and ethnically diverse populations. Dr. Hughes-Halbert is a nationally recognized expert in cancer prevention and control among diverse populations and her research is supported by numerous grants from the National Cancer Institute, the National Human Genome Research Institute, and the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities. She is a member of the Board of Scientific Advisors at the National Cancer Institute and the National Human Genome Research Institute Advisory Council.

Dr. Halbert received her doctorate in personality psychology from Howard University in 1997. In addition to her doctoral training, Dr. Halbert completed pre- and postdoctoral training at the Lombardi Cancer Center. In 1995, she received a predoctoral supplemental award from the National Institutes of Mental Health to evaluate psychosocial and sociocultural influences on family communication about genetic testing and in 1997 she received a postdoctoral supplemental award from the National Cancer Institute to evaluate the process and content of family communication about genetic testing following disclosure of BRCA1 and BRCA2 test results.

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