

Hello Emerging Leaders Community,

We are very excited to announce that recruitment for the 2021 AUCD Emerging Leaders Map is now open!

Our team is looking for each Program or Center (LEND, UCEDD, IDDRRC or DBP) to nominate an Emerging Leader, current or past, to be on this year's AUCD Emerging Leaders Map. Our hope is to not only showcase the many ways Emerging Leaders are driving change in their states and territories but also to facilitate dialogue and collaboration between AUCD members, former and current trainees, as well as Centers and Programs.

This year's theme for the 2021 Emerging Leader Map is *Promoting Health Equity: Identifying Access Barriers and Protecting Rights to Services for People with Disabilities*.

If you are interested in being featured on the map, please complete the [nomination survey here](#) or copy and paste this link into your browser window: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2021AUCDELMAP>. Please see attached for a pdf of the survey for those that would like to view the questions before submission.

The deadline for nominations is April 2, 2021.

Interested Emerging Leaders will be asked for their responses to the following questions:

1. What does health equity mean to you?
2. How do you plan on promoting health equity within your community?
3. What are your professional and/or personal goals as an Emerging Leader within and outside the AUCD network?

If you have any additional questions about the process or the map, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kiki Oyetunji at emergingleaders@aucd.org! We will get back to you as soon as possible, and we look forward to reviewing your nominations and learning more about each of you.

All the best,
Kiki Oyetunji
2020-2021 Emerging Leaders Intern, Events and Projects