

# THE REEDE SCHOLARS

## President's Corner

### Updates:

Greetings Scholars!

The Holiday season is upon us! I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well. This fall the Scholars have continued to shine, advocating for health equity and social justice amidst ever-changing national and local policies.

Thank you to those who have participated in the listening sessions we have had over the past few months and to those who have communicated in writing. These talks have given us all the opportunity to reflect and share on why the fellowship and our alumni family is so important and worth maintaining.

As our numbers and expertise grow, I believe the Reede Scholars must continue to define and strengthen our organization. One of the crucial steps in achieving this goal is by re-examining our framework and renewing our strategic plan. I invite you all to attend our Leadership Retreat in the spring, where we will have time to focus on our objectives as approach our 10th Anniversary.

As a reminder, **annual dues** are \$100. There is a [donate](#) link on the [home page](#). Or you can mail your check to the office, ATTN: Kavitha Prakash. 164 Longwood Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Boston, MA 02115.

### Highlights from 164Longwood:

Shairi Turner now [Chief Medical Officer for Crisis Text Line](#)

Andrew Sanderson, II featured on [NPA Blog](#) discussing Cardiovascular Disease among African Americans

Rhea Boyd commands the audience at the American Academy of Pediatrics National Conference and Exhibition, "[Snapshots for Social Justice](#)"

Joan Reede was one of the winners of [Xconomy's 2017 Commitment to Diversity Award](#)

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### Stay Tuned:

[Pathways to Physician Diversity: A National Summit](#)

Phoenix, AZ

February 9th-10th, 2018

Student National Medical Association  
[Annual Medical Education Conference](#)

San Francisco, CA

March 29th—April 1st, 2018

Reede Scholars Leadership Retreat  
Atlanta, GA

April 14th-16th, 2018

Annual Leadership Conference &  
Health Equity Symposium

Boston, MA

May 2nd-4th, 2018

### Websites:

Reede Scholars: <http://www.reedescholars.org/>

Office for Diversity Inclusion and Community Partnership:  
<https://mfdp.med.harvard.edu/>

The organization is named in honor of Dr. Joan Y Reede, founder of the Minority Health Policy Fellowship. The Reede Scholars have chosen to name their alumni organization after the creator and mentor of this program, as she is a pioneer in efforts to improve the representation of ethnic minorities in health services careers. Dr. Reede has served as an inspiration for thousands of students seeking to make a difference in the health of their communities. The Reede Scholars hope to honor her work by continuing the legacy of achievement in minority health.