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Rooted in Inclusion: The Cedars-Sinai Story

History

More than 100 years of being a blessing for the community, and serving patients from every corner of the world.





Office of Diversity, Inclusion & Wellbeing (ODIW)

Our Continued Commitment



Mission

As a leading academic healthcare organization, our mission is to elevate the health status of the communities we serve.

- We deliver exceptional healthcare enhanced by research and education.
- We prioritize high-quality care for all with equity and compassion.
- We transform biomedical discoveries and innovations for better health.
- We educate tomorrow's physicians, nurses and healthcare professionals.

Our mission is founded in the Judaic tradition, which inspires our devotion to the art and science of healing.



Trusted and respected worldwide, Cedars-Sinai will advance health and healthcare in Los Angeles and beyond.



We hold ourselves accountable to these values:





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Empowering Excellence Through Diversity: Here's Why It Matters

Goal: Enabling a workforce and creating the culture to reflect and support equitable healthcare and innovative research

There are many Dimensions of Diversity - which often focus on the differences (aka "the mix")

Age Mental Ability Physical Ability Gender Identity Personality Ethnicity **Primary** Identity Race Sexual Orientation Gender Generation

Language/Accent Socioeconomic status Religion Marital/Relationship Status Parental/Family Status Secondary Education

Location

Appearance

Nationality

Military Status

Work Experience Division/Department Network Tenure

Organizational Position/ Role/ Level Management Status Location

How we see ourselves What we focus on How we process information The mental mode we use

Behavioral

How we make conclusions How much we try to control How we engage people How we organize power How we see time

Inclusion is the intentional act of welcoming diversity and creating an environment where different kinds of people can thrive, succeed and feel as if they belong (aka "making the mix work")



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Evolving with Purpose: D&I Framework

The framework has six strategic areas and goals. Each area has a metric(s) tied to it



Culture

Strengthen the culture of inclusion and belonging for all members of the Cedars-Sinai community.



Leadership

- 1. Increase understanding of diversity, equity and
- 2. Increase representation of underrepresented groups in leadership.



Diversity & Inclusion Infrastructure

Build and evolve the Cedars-Sinai diversity & inclusion infrastructure and data.



👯 Recruitment & Retention

Increase diverse representation in the staff, clinician. researcher, physician and trainee populations to better reflect our community's diversity.



Pathway Development & Career Advancement

Create more growth opportunities for staff, clinicians, researchers, physicians and trainees with an emphasis on BIPOC, Women and other underrepresented populations.

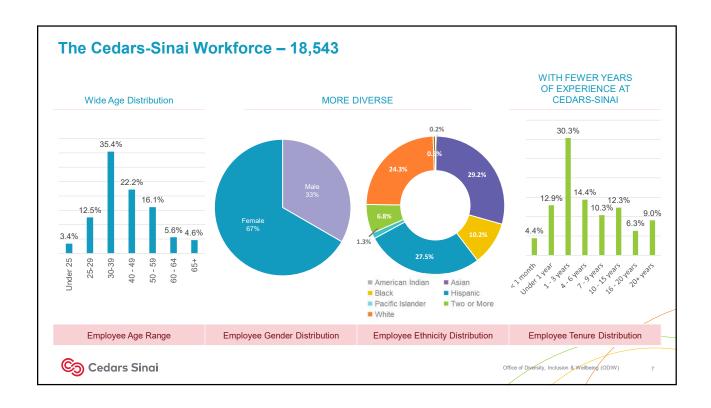


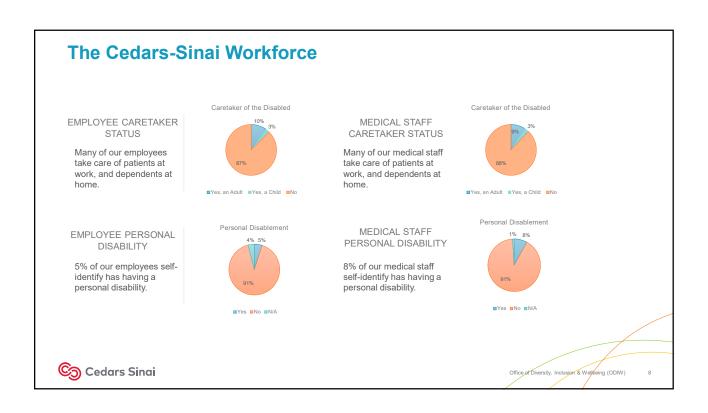
Wellbeing

Create and foster a culture of wellbeing for our staff, clinicians, researchers, physicians and trainees.



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Disability Task Force

Purpose

The Disability Task Force is established to promote inclusivity, accessibility, and equity within Cedars-Sinai. The task force will focus on identifying, addressing, and mitigating barriers faced by individuals with disabilities in healthcare delivery and the CS environment. Through collaborative efforts, the task force aims to continue to create a more inclusive and supportive environment for the CS community.

Objectives:

- Create a community of CS employees to focus on disability inclusion and understand the connection points on supporting work in the space
- Assess and review the current state of accessibility and inclusivity for the disability community
- Provide data and information for completion of the Disability Equality Index survey
- Review recommendations that enhance disability inclusion from Disability:IN and assess implementation strategies and approaches





Disability: IN Partnership

Our Purpose: Build equitable and inclusive businesses for all



- Our story started with the common misperception that people with disabilities could not work. Our roots stem from government, with ties to the Americans with Disabilities Act, but we soon realized without active collaboration with corporate America, people with disabilities would never be able to participate fully, nor meaningfully, in business.
- Disability:IN has since become the leading nonprofit resource for business disability inclusion worldwide. Our network of more than five hundred corporations expands opportunities for people with disabilities across industries.
- We promote disability inclusion by heightening awareness, advising corporations, and sharing proven strategies for including people with disabilities in the workplace, supply chain, and marketplace.
- We expand opportunities for people with disabilities by helping companies invigorate their disability initiatives, explore best practices, incorporate culture changes, and realize positive business outcomes.



Disability: IN Recommended Best Practices Employee Self Identification Disability-Focused ERG Accessibility Audits Revisit Corporate Governance Accelerate Expenditures with Disability Owned Businesses Compared to the mess to achieve sustainable and inclusive environments Compared to the mess to achieve sustainable and inclusive environments



CS Disability Environment

Focus Area	Initiatives/Priorities
Culture	Recognition and programming around National Disability Employment Awareness Month Disability Drop-In sessions- foundational to forming an ERG Self-identification survey question addressing disability
Leadership	CMO on California Rehabilitation Foundation Board Written mission statement for Diversity and Inclusion Council
Enterprise-Wide Access	Centralized communications/support center- service center Owned and leased locations, buildings, and facilities are accessible Digital content is accessible, audits employed with digital accessibility testing tool, manual testing with screen reader and other assistive technology
Benefits	Long-term disability coverage Vision and hearing coverage Mental health benefits and support- Employee Assistance Program Paid caregiver leave
Recruitment	Inclusive writing technology- recruiters go through certification for inclusive job posting content and outreach communications Posting and advertising on external sites targeting individuals with disabilities- "Direct Employers" Partner with community organizations to engage and network with individuals with disabilities in career hiring events- Stand Down Event and Transition Assistance Program Career Fair for disabled transitioning service members Toolkit for interviewing including permissible questions on disability Reasonable accommodation language on job postings and contact email: applicant_accommodation@cshs.org Job requirement assessments with hiring managers
Employment, Education, Retention & Advancement	Disability learning hub on ODIW SharePoint site Module in Unconscious Bias Education course for all employees Employees paid at least local minimum wage
Accommodations	Just-in-Time interpreting services Flexible work schedules depending on the position Accommodations policy, procedure and process to fulfill disability accommodations
Community Engagement	Grant making to multiple organizations supporting disability inclusion Marketing includes individuals with apparent disabilities
Supplier Diversity	Dedicated Associate Director for Supplier Diversity Disability-focused spend goals for supplier diversity and inclusion

2024 Cedars-Sinai Disability Equality Index (DEI) Results





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National Disability Employment Awareness Month





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