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2021-2022 David A. Winston Health Policy Fellows Announced

WASHINGTON, DC – The David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship is pleased to announce that Lauren Battle, a student at Columbia University's School of Public Health, and Nadia Laniyan, a graduate of Northwestern University, have been selected as the 2021-2022 Winston Health Policy Fellowship recipients.

The Winston Fellowship offers a twelve-month post-graduate experience in Washington, DC to students from programs housed within accredited colleges and universities. Through systematic exposure to organizations, associations, and coalitions in the private sector, as well as key offices in Congress and the Executive Branch, the program offers Fellows unparalleled opportunities to expand their knowledge of the political system and to learn how health policy is shaped. Three months of orientation visits to key policy development centers in Washington and surrounding areas are followed by a nine-month placement that allows each Fellow to explore current health policy issues in depth while gaining invaluable firsthand experience in policy-making. The selection process, as in past years, was extremely competitive.

Lauren Battle attends Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health and will graduate in May, 2021 with a Master of Public Health in Sociomedical Sciences. She is currently a Policy Intern with the Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs.

Lauren reacted to her Fellowship selection by saying, "I am incredibly honored to have been selected as a David A. Winston Health Policy Fellow. The unparalleled opportunities and exposure provided by this Fellowship will prepare me to serve as an asset to the health policy field. I strive to aid in the elimination of health disparities among systemically marginalized populations with equitable policy interventions, and I am confident that the Fellowship will place me on a trajectory toward helping to achieve this goal. I am grateful to join the Winston network and eager to begin my work as a Fellow."

Nadia Laniyan graduated from Northwestern University's School of Communications in August, 2020 with a Master of Science in Health Communication. She is currently working as a project coordinator at the Feinberg School of Medicine Center for Child Trauma Assessment, Services, and Interventions.

Nadia stated, "I am extremely grateful to the David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship Board of Directors for selecting me to be a Winston Fellow. It is a great honor to be placed in such distinguished ranks as those of the past honorees and to be selected by such an accomplished Board. I look forward to taking part in this invaluable opportunity to learn about health policy from leading experts. It is my undoubted belief that this experience will be transformational to my career in health policy as I aspire to have an impact on health inequities in the United States. I also look forward to wholeheartedly embracing the spirit of David A. Winston's esteemed legacy of bipartisanship and partnership between the public and private sectors of health policy."

Mary R. Grealy, Winston Board Chair said, "It speaks to the caliber of these two Fellowship recipients that they emerged from a field of extraordinarily impressive and accomplished candidates. The Winston Board has every expectation that these two young women, with support and guidance from all of us in the health policy community, will build upon the impressive and growing legacy built by previous Fellows."

For more information on the David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship, and its history and application process, please visit www.winstonfellowship.org or contact the Fellowship by Email at info@winstonfellowship.org.