

# National Youth Apprenticeship Week 2024

## Program Guide



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## Honorary Guests

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**Cynthia Davis**

Charles R. Drew University

**Patricia Etem**

Vice President  
Health Career Connect

## Distinguished Guests

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**Elizabeth Birks**

District Representative for  
Senator Smallwood-Cuevas

**Arthur Page**

Office of Apprenticeship  
Department of Labor

**Linda Mount**

Division of Apprenticeship  
Standards

**Tiffany Malone**

MIP Deputy Director

**Amanda Flores**

MIP Grant Coach

**Dr. Alberto J. Roman**

President, ELAC

**Dr. Miguel Dueñas**

Vice President  
Student Services, ELAC

**Dwight Bonds**

Executive Director  
California Association of African  
American Superintendents  
and Administrators

**Gail T. Washington**

DNS, RN, FAAN  
Dean of the Mervyn M. Dymally  
College of Nursing

**Dr. Monica Ferrini**

Dean College of Science & Health

**Samuel Paik**

Assistant Professor  
College of Science & Health

**Dr. Tavonia Ekwegh**

Assistant Dean of Academic  
Support

**Jesse Diaz**

Partnerships & Recruitment Manager  
Propel

**Charles Henkels**

Executive Director, LAUNCH



# Alain LeRoy Locke Academy Staff

**Dr. Gordan Gibbings**  
Chief of Schools

**Dr. Oscar Tovar**  
School Operations Manager

**Cruz Navarro**  
Student Support Specialist

**Joselinn Solis**  
Welcome Center Assistant

## Our Partners



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# Our Founders

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**Dr. Edna Miller**  
Founder- CEO  
#179685 M.S. Ed. PSY, DS CTE

HCIS's Medical Career Pathway programs offer tuition-free healthcare education at the high school level, including DOL apprenticeship courses and nationally recognized certifications. This initiative equips at-risk students and their communities with vital skills, eliminates student debt, and allows graduates to immediately contribute to society. Additionally, HCIS creates a hiring pipeline for trained graduates and uniquely addresses physical, mental, and behavioral health challenges, fostering academic success and breaking cycles of poverty, illiteracy, and unemployment.

Courses are delivered on-campus with clinical requirements met at our clinic site, providing hands-on training that results in employment-ready skills and widespread support from the community.



**Justin C. Miller**  
President HCIS  
M.S. DS CTE

Since 2005, HCIS has provided comprehensive on-campus healthcare services, including mental, behavioral, and physical healthventions, referrals, and follow-ups. Justin Miller, President and Co-Founder, asserts that academic success depends on a student's well-being. HCIS supports this by integrating educational programs with apprenticeship certifications to prepare students for the workforce. Recognizing the impact of childhood trauma, HCIS also offers internships for MPH and Physician Assistant students from Charles R. Drew University School of Medicine, involving them in outreach and health education, while medical, nursing, and family practitioner students participate in patient care under supervision in HCIS's clinics.

## Staff

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**Edna Miller**  
Ed. Psy. / CEO

**Andrea Miller**  
Clinic Manager

**Irma Ibarra**  
VN

**Jessica Ramirez**

**Lauryn Hill**

**Brittany Bumbasi**

**Janella Ibay**

**Daphne Reid**

**Justin Miller**  
President

**Professor Omotunde**

**Dwayne Thompson**  
LVN

**Fatima Lopez**

**Helena Almaguer**

**Timothy Alarcon**  
PA

**Tango Teverbaugh**

**Dan Roh**

**Tobi Emmanuel**

**BreAna Hearon**  
MA

**Vishani Miller**  
Lead Instructor

**Leah Hill**

**Joseph Roque**

**Savannah Palacios**

**Dara Wachsman**



## Executive Officers

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**Dr. Khalid Kamal, M.D.**  
Chief Medical Doctor

Reflecting on my two-decade tenure as Chief Medical Officer at HCIS, I am deeply grateful for our achievements. Serving as Chief Preceptor and overseeing physician assistants at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science has been both a privilege and a source of immense pride. Our collaboration with community stakeholders has been pivotal to our success, allowing us to profoundly impact many lives within our community. I cherish the commitment of HCIS and SBH to quality care and healthcare accessibility, and I'm proud of the legacy of compassion, integrity, and excellence we've built together. As we look to the future, I am thankful for their ongoing support and partnership.



**Kathryn M. Wachsman, Esq.**  
Director of Communications

As the General Counsel and Director of Communications for Health Care Integrated Services (HCIS), I oversee a copyrighted school-based health clinic model in Southern California. Our mission is to promote health and education on campus for K-12 students, offering U.S. DOL approved apprenticeship programs from age 16. The HCIS model uniquely integrates health services, mental health support, education, and workforce opportunities for at-risk youth in inner cities and economically disadvantaged areas.

Notably, in March 2017, HCIS launched a medical assistant class for 16 students at a South Los Angeles high school, with 13 graduating with industry-level certifications as Medical Assistants, a first for Southern California.

## Honorary Staff

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**Vishani Miller**  
Lead Instruction and  
Mental Health Coach

**Tobi Emmanuel**  
Manager of Technology

**Dan Roh**  
Director of Technology

***Special recognition and heartfelt thanks to  
our dedicated HCISWellness, LearnHCIS,  
and School-Based Health team!***



**Thursday : May 9 2024**

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**Youth Medical Scholars Appreciation Day  
Open House for Parents, Students,  
and Faculty**

**11:00 AM**

Health Fair Booths/Screenings

**11:15 AM ~ 11:45 AM**

Session #1

Supersize Me! Nutrition and The Obesity Epidemic

**12:00 PM ~ 12:30 PM**

Session #2

Behavioral Health: Finding Your Bliss

Bliss Challenge Activities

**12:30 PM ~ 1:00 PM**

Health Fair Booths/Screenings

**12:00 PM ~ 1:00 PM**

Interested Students Invitation to Submit Applications

**Student Observations**

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*"I think the clinic is good at making students feel comfortable sharing because they emphasize that everything will remain confidential."*

*"I have seen a lot of people come into the clinic and feel like they help. Instead of going to a bigger clinic they just come here to get help."*



**Friday : May 10 2024**

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**National Youth Apprenticeship  
Open House for Community  
Leaders and Dignitaries**

**11:00 AM ~ 1:00 PM**

Health Screenings / Open House

**11:35 AM ~ 11:55 AM**

Medical Assistant Student Experience:  
Program Participants Share Their Experience  
in the Program

**12:00 PM ~ 12:30 PM**

Stakeholder Roundtable Luncheon

**12:35 PM ~ 1:00 PM**

Awards & Appreciation

**Student Observations**

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*"I believe this is a useful program that every school should have. Having a clinic here, is helpful because I think the average school nurse is not adequately equipped to deal with mental health issues. And this place does not just deal with mental health. They offer vaccinations and check vitals. So very useful because not everyone has healthcare. I personally did not have healthcare, so this place is useful and easier for students to get the health care they need."*



# Thank You!

We are profoundly grateful to everyone who contributed to the tremendous success of our inaugural Youth Apprenticeship Week. Your dedication and enthusiasm were truly the driving forces behind this event. We look forward to celebrating more milestones together!

Our heartfelt thanks also go to the California Department of Labor, California Department of Health Services, Green Dot Public Charter Schools, and Charles R. Drew University School of Medicine and Science for their invaluable support and collaboration. Their steadfast commitment and partnership have been crucial to the success of our initiatives. Without their assistance, our efforts to enhance the health, education, and future prospects of students in underserved communities would not be achievable.

