



Dear Fraters and Sorors,

The National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc. (NPHC) is proud to partner with the *All of Us* Research Program, part of the National Institutes of Health, to help raise awareness about the program – an effort to engage 1 million or more volunteers across the country to build one of the largest, most diverse datasets of its kind for health research.

Precision medicine is a new approach to improving health, treating disease, and finding cures. It acknowledges that each person is unique—our habits, our environments, and our biology—and that the interaction of these factors greatly impacts our health. These unique variables also mean that a *medical treatment that works for one person might not work for another*. Rather than using a cookie-cutter, one-size-fits-all approach, precision medicine aims to deliver the right treatment for the right person at the right time, and keep people healthy longer. Ultimately, precision medicine can produce more accurate diagnoses, earlier detection, and better prevention strategies and treatment choices.

All of Us participants will share information over many years in a variety of ways, such as through surveys, electronic health records, physical measurements, blood and urine samples, and wearable technologies. Researchers of all types, from citizen scientists to investigators in academia and industry, may request free access to the data, which will be de-identified to protect participant privacy. Their analyses may yield new insights about how individual differences affect health and disease, potentially leading to more tailored treatments and prevention strategies in the future.

As a partner, NPHC will be engaging in a variety of activities between now and the end of February 2018 to educate our community about research and precision medicine, as well as to facilitate awareness of and interest in participating in *All of Us*. In the upcoming months, we will host a webinars and social media messages to further discussions and understanding about the program.

In addition, we want to understand the level of knowledge within the community about precision medicine and the *All of Us* Research Program so we can assess the impact of our activities. To help us with that, we ask that you participate in a brief survey. Please [click here](#) to participate.

Participating in *All of Us* is an opportunity for us to learn about our health indicators, gain access to our health data, and fight disease. It is also an opportunity to ensure that our community is included in the studies that may lead to new understanding, new treatments, and improving the health of future generations.

We are excited to have this opportunity to lend our voices as true partners—not patients, not subjects—in the research process. The program will reflect the rich diversity of America and we are in the forefront of efforts for inclusivity.

Best,

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