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MapHabit Clinical Research Wins NIA Diversity Supplement Grant

ATLANTA, GA – MapHabit’s Clinical Research Analyst **Brittany Montgomery** has been awarded the **NIA Diversity Supplement grant** (NIH Grant: 3R44AG065081-03A1S1), which will allow her to further the development of MapHabit’s assistive technology by conducting research within typically underrepresented populations in order to make the platform more accessible to minority populations.

Montgomery will advise the company in diversifying its base of research participants and customers. Her focus will be on recruiting and enrolling a diverse cohort of participants for her clinical trials, including people who are generally underrepresented in clinical research and who experience social determinants of health, including access to dementia education. With the assistance of her grant mentors, **Matthew Golden**, Co-Founder and CEO, and **Dr. Stuart Zola**, Co-Founder and CSO, Montgomery hopes to provide more accessible health care for people in underrepresented groups.

“My future career goals are to help develop and support solutions that make healthcare more accessible – by working to reduce the barriers, such as income, gender, and racial disparities, on people’s access to healthcare and welfare,” Montgomery says regarding her goals that are made possible with this grant. “Removing such obstacles to allow more elderly Individuals to afford and receive adequate care is one of many ways these solutions would help vulnerable populations”

Montgomery has personal and professional insight into working with underrepresented groups in the medical field. A recent graduate of Brown University with an M.S. in Biotechnology, her undergraduate and graduate research experience in studying demographics as well as neurocognitive dysfunction will provide a solid foundation for her continuing research into MapHabit’s technologies.

“We are extremely proud to represent as a diversity supplement awardee,” Golden says about MapHabit being awarded the grant. “Health equity is a huge concern in our country and MapHabit is proud to support diversity, equity and inclusion in both our mission statement and also every aspect of our operations.”

The grant will fund Montgomery’s research for up to two years and will be used to further the development of MapHabit technology and increase cultural diversity within its programs.

About MapHabit

MapHabit is an interactive care management platform that encourages independence and improves quality of life for individuals with Cognitive, Intellectual, or Developmental disorders and their circle of support. Utilizing an integrated, visual mapping system, MapHabit provides key tools to better accomplish their activities of daily living while providing oversight and peace of mind to their caregivers and family members.

About The National Institute on Aging (NIA)

The NIA leads the U.S. federal government effort to conduct and support research on aging and the health and well-being of older people. Learn more about age-related cognitive change and neurodegenerative diseases via NIA’s Alzheimer’s and related Dementias Education and Referral (ADEAR) Center website. Visit the main NIA website for information about a range of aging topics here.

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