

# Shalon M. Irving Health Equity Award

Dr. Shalon M. Irving, PhD, MPH, MS, CHES, an EIS officer (2012) dedicated her life to understanding how structural inequality, trauma, and violence affect health over a lifetime. She passed away unexpectedly in 2017, just three weeks after giving birth; calling attention to one of the widest of all racial disparities in women's health, disproportionately high rates of maternal mortality among black women in the U.S.

The Shalon M. Irving Memorial Award, established by the EIS program and sponsored by the EIS Alumni Association, was given for the first time in 2018 to recognize a current or former EIS officer's outstanding contributions to health equity and racial disparities research.

## Recipients

- 2024 Danielle Sharpe
- 2023 Amy Board
- 2022 Michele Bolduc
- 2021 Miriam Van Dyke
- 2020 Lisa Oakley
- 2019 Sharoda Dasgupta
- 2018 Francis Annor