



Dr. Christine Peat is a nationally recognized healthcare expert with deep experience in academia, corporate settings, and in the halls of Congress. She is widely respected as a leading researcher, clinician, and policy advisor known for effectively moving the needle toward progress and improvement in healthcare.

Currently based at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Dr. Peat is an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry. Her talent for problem solving has earned her operational leadership roles in the Division of Psychological Services and a position as Associate Director of Program Development for the largest clinical psychology internship program in the state. She also serves as Director of the National Center of Excellence for Eating Disorders, the nation's first-and only-federally funded technical assistance center focused on eating disorders. In addition, Dr. Peat is the Board President of the Eating Disorders Coalition for Research, Policy & Action, an organization that recognizes eating disorders as a public health priority through federal legislation.

Dr. Peat's grant-funded work centers on developing and deploying groundbreaking initiatives that improve the capacity of the healthcare workforce to deliver effective care. To support this work, she has been awarded more than \$10 million from top federal agencies, including the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the National Institute of Mental Health, and the Department of Health and Human Services.

Dr. Peat leverages her years of experience in academic medicine to provide guidance to corporate clients who value her clinical acumen and vision for translational research. In particular, healthcare consulting agencies and pharmaceutical companies seek her expertise when developing innovative treatments, particularly in the areas of psychiatry, neurology, and women's health.

As part of her commitment to large-scale transformation in healthcare, Dr. Peat has worked with the White House to highlight public health concerns and provide critical feedback on national initiatives. This work has resulted in White House public information campaigns as well as a stakeholder role in the 2022 National Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health, the first convening of its kind in over 50 years. Dr. Peat regularly advises Congress on how to address public health problems, reduce barriers to care, and increase funding for scientific research. She has also served as a scientific lead for the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the nation's authority on evidence-based recommendations for primary care. This emphasis on upstream, early pipeline initiatives is informed by her background as a clinical psychologist and active clinician who is passionate about making systemic changes to improve the lives of all Americans.

As a sought-after thought leader, Dr. Peat lectures at some of nation's most prestigious academic institutions, serves on academic and corporate advisory boards, and publishes her research in high impact peer-reviewed journals, such as the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. She has been interviewed by major media outlets including *The Washington Post*, *NPR*, *The Hill*, *US News and World Report*, and *Popular Science*.