

**Dr. L. Kelly Vaughan 2009 recipient of the Charles Barkley Award for health disparities research in Hispanic/Latino population**

**September 25, 2009**

L. Kelly Vaughan, PhD, an Assistant Professor in the Section on Statistical Genetics, Department of Biostatistics, was one of the recipients of UAB's 2009 Charles Barkley Health Disparities Research Awards for her project, "Bad genes or genes behaving badly: Are Hispanic-American children predisposed to 'thriftness' resulting in increased fat accumulation at the expense of bone mass?". The award and a grant in the amount of \$30,000 were presented to Dr. Vaughan at the MHRC's Fifth Annual Charles Barkley Gala on Friday, September 25, 2009.

The Charles Barkley Health Disparities Fund administers competitively awarded financial support to UAB faculty and other community associates who focus on outreach, educational, and investigative programs related to diabetes, obesity, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, stroke, and cancer.

Announcement: <http://mhrc.dopm.uab.edu/news.html>

Go to [L. Kelly Vaughan PhD web page](#).