The New Jersey Alliance for Clinical and Translational Science, Community Engagement Core Kick-Off will focus on community-engaged, dissemination and implementation science that addresses issues of health equity.

Please join us as we come together and focus on solutions that enhance and expand engagement.

Wednesday, Oct 2, 2019
9 AM - 4 PM
The RUTGERS CLUB
The event is free. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Seats are limited. Registration Closes September 25, 2019

Meet Our Keynote Speakers

Geoffrey Curran, PhD
Dr. Curran is a medical sociologist and Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Psychopharmacology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS). He is the Director of the UAMS Center for Implementation Research, which is partially supported by the Translational Research Institute, UAMS’s Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) program from the NIH National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences. Dr. Curran is a health services researcher, with focus areas in (1) predictors of treatment engagement and outcomes for mental health and substance use disorders, and (2) diffusion of innovation in a variety of health care settings (e.g., primary care, specialty care, and community settings). Dr. Curran also has written widely on research design and methodology in implementation science. His work has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (US) and the US Department of Veterans Affairs to develop and test a range of implementation strategies designed to support the uptake and sustainment of evidence-based practices.

Melissa Simon, MD, MPH
Dr. Simon is the George H. Gardner Professor of Clinical Gynecology, Vice Chair of Clinical Research in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, the Founder and Director of the Center for Health Equity Transformation and the Chicago Cancer Health Equity Collaborative, a Northwestern Medicine physician, and co-program leader for cancer control and survivorship at the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center. She leads a diverse portfolio of research directly impacting local, state, and national level thought and policy regarding inclusion and health equity. She has been recognized with numerous awards including a recent White House and NSF recognition the Presidential Award in Excellence in Science Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM) and the American Public Health Association’s Excellence Award for her research integrating Public Health and Medicine. She was appointed a Presidential Leadership Scholar through the Clinton, Bush and Johnson Foundations.

Interactive Lunch Panel

Multi-stakeholder panel discussion featuring:
A New Jersey needs-based research agenda to advance health equity.
Karen D’Alonzo, PhD, RN, APN-c, FAAN
Associate Professor, Director, Center for Community Health Partnerships, Rutgers School of Nursing
Diane Hill, PhD
Assistant Chancellor, University-Community Partnerships, Rutgers University-Newark
Amita Kinney, PhD
Professor of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, Rutgers School of Public Health
Amanda Medina-Forrester, MA, MPH
Executive Director, Office of Minority and Multicultural Health, NJ Department of Health
Mariam Merced, MA
Director, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Community Health Promotion Program, RWJ Barnabas Health System
Mary O’ Dowd, MPH
Executive Director, Health Systems and Population Health Integration, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research
Dorothy Reed
Co-Founder and President of Sister2Sister

Let’s Discuss Your Research and Ideas

Showcase Your Research In Our Interactive Fishbowl Discussions

Get feedback from peer and community stakeholders and find new research partners by participating in our interactive fishbowl discussions. A fishbowl provides a forum for individuals to present their ideas in a community setting, participate in active discussions, and gain valuable feedback on study design.

To learn more or submit a research idea for consideration for a fishbowl discussion, register here.

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