



Family Health RIIG

CALL FOR GUARANTEED SYMPOSIUM ABSTRACTS

SYMPOSIUM TITLE: *Building relationships to enhance family health: Engaging stakeholders, community partners, and families in research*

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS: JULY 22, 2022 by 5:00 pm EST

The Family Health RIIG is pleased to sponsor a call for abstracts for a Guaranteed Symposium titled, “***Building relationships to enhance family health: Engaging stakeholders, community partners, and families in research.***”

Nurses are vital for cultivating and translating essential research evidence to enhance the health of individuals, families, and communities. Nurse scientists, evidence-based practice (EBP) experts, clinicians, and educators facilitate the translation of research evidence to practice by bridging the gaps between the labs, health care facilities, and communities. An essential component of effectively translating discovery into real-world application is community engagement, by collaborating with stakeholders, community partners, and families. .

The NIH defines community engagement as “the process of working collaboratively with and through groups of people affiliated by geographic proximity, special interest, or similar situations to address issues affecting the well-being of those people. It often involves partnerships and coalitions that help mobilize resources and influence systems, change relationships among partners, and serve as catalysts for changing policies, programs, and practices. Community engagement can take many forms, and partners can include organized groups (e.g., advisory boards), agencies, institutions, or individuals. Collaborators may be engaged in health promotion, research, or policy making.”

This symposium will focus on research and evidence-based practice projects that foster community engagement to enhance the health of families. We use the NIH definition of family: two or more individuals who share “enduring intimate social relationships that may be characterized by blood or legal ties, shared residence, economic cooperation within or

across borders, shared responsibilities, and a sense of mutual or collective obligation. This is inclusive of nuclear, extended, blended, adopted, foster, and chosen families.”

Our goals for this symposium are to 1) showcase the work of scholars across the career trajectory who conduct community-engaged research and evidence-based practice projects that enhance the health of families, 2) identify methods for engaging in-person and online communities in all phases of research, and 3) discuss strategies for building capacity as well as establishing and maintaining community partnerships.

Abstracts must be emailed to Family Health RIIG Co-Chair, Dr. Kayla Herbell (herbell.3@osu.edu) by July 22, 2022. Abstracts are to be limited to 350 words and should include the following: Purpose/Background, Framework, Methods, Results, and Conclusions. Works in progress may be submitted if the results are available by March 2022.

Abstracts will undergo a blind peer-review process for scoring by the Family Health RIIG’s Abstract Committee according to significance, innovation, and relevance to the proposed theme. The Family Health RIIG will select abstracts to be included in the guaranteed symposium. The primary author will be notified of their inclusion status for the submitted symposium by August 9, 2022.

PLEASE NOTE: Authors of abstracts that are not selected may submit to the MNRS General Call for Competitive Abstracts which is open through October 21, 2022.

Please send your abstracts or questions to: Dr. Kayla Herbell (herbell.3@osu.edu)