Funding Opportunity for PBRN Members

The Community Engagement and Outreach (CEO) Core of the Great Plains IDeA-CTR Network is pleased to announce an opportunity for Community-Engaged Research funding through an NIH/NIGMS grant. Earliest starting date will be July 1st, 2022.

The goal of this funding program is to achieve community impact and advance science through partnerships between community organizations and Clinical and Translational Research (CTR) investigators. Proposals that are responsive to this call will include community partners as active collaborators across the span of idea generation, proposal development, study implementation, analysis and interpretation of the results, and development of future directions—for both research and community impact. This collaboration will produce research that is relevant to communities, resolves local needs, and is generalizable to other community or clinical settings.

- **Community-Engaged Research Pilot Project Award**: A total of $25,000 is available for one or two award(s). The applications must detail an existing or forming community-academic partnership and how the funds will be used to improve community health. The intent of this award is the generation of preliminary data for feasibility and acceptability trials.

- **Community-Engaged Capacity Development Award**: A total of $15,000 is available for small awards averaging approximately $5,000. The purpose is to provide seed funding for investigators working to (1) develop or engage community partnerships for project design, or planning purposes or (2) engage Practice Based Research Networks to identify local priorities and begin project planning. The proposal needs to explicitly lay out how funds will contribute to the development of the project.

For more information, contact Emily Frankel at emily.frankel@unmc.edu or 402-836-9283.
Professional Development

The Great Plains Primary Care PBRN provides links to professional development opportunities, in the form of seminars and webinars, that enhance clinical expertise, reveal best care practices, promote clinical research, and deliver cutting-edge research findings. Continuing education credits are available for in-person and distance participation.

Rural Practice Webinar Series

Establishing a Behavioral Health Practice in a Rural Setting is a BHECN Panhandle webinar series focused on helping students, early-career practitioners, or entrepreneurs looking to expand or develop a behavioral health practice in a rural setting. The series will focus on sharing helpful information and encouraging networking conversations among participants.

This is a series of four hour-long webinars that will be presented every other Friday starting January 7, 2022, through February 18, 2022. The sessions will start at 1-2 pm CST. Each week our presenter(s) will be professionals experienced in rural behavioral health practice. Presentations will include 45 minutes of content, with a 15 min Q & A to follow.

For more information, visit: https://www.unmc.edu/bhecn/education/online-training/rural-practice-webinar-series-2022.html#Schedule

Join the Great Plains IDeA-CTR Community Advisory Board!

The Great Plains IDeA-CTR is a collaborative effort between nine regional institutions and strives to provide training, education and mentorship; tools and resources; and funding to regional researchers. The Community Advisory Board (CAB) gathers and prioritizes regional health issues and generates ideas for community-engaged research projects. In addition, the CAB provides input on ways to best measure and track health outcomes, their impact on the community, and the best strategies to share research findings beyond the confines of a typical research journal. Contact Emily Frankel at emily.frankel@unmc.edu if you are interested in joining.

Scan the QR code for more professional development opportunities!
Research

Learn about upcoming, ongoing, and completed research impacting the region. Please share these opportunities and findings with your patients and healthcare community. A complete list of ongoing research can be found on the PBRN Research webpage.

ACTIV-6: Working together to help people with COVID-19 feel better faster

ACTIV-6, “The Randomized Trial to Evaluate Efficacy of Repurposed Medications,” is a nationwide double-blind study expected to enroll nearly 15,000 participants from across the United States through its website, https://activ6study.org, and call center, 833-385-1880.

The study is part of the National Institutes of Health-funded Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines (ACTIV) led by the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences. The Duke Clinical Research Institute serves as the study’s clinical coordinating center, partnering with Vanderbilt University Medical Center as the study’s data coordinating center. We encourage PBRN members to share this opportunity with your clinic and community. For more information, please contact Emily Frankel at emily.frankel@unmc.edu or 402-836-9283.

Great Plains Cognitive Network, “GP CogNET”

Symptoms of Alzheimer’s disease may lag decades behind brain changes. We invite all adults 19 years of age and older to enroll in the Great Plains Cognitive Network, GP CogNET, a research registry linking community members to Alzheimer’s disease and brain health-focused clinical research. Enroll online at https://gp.cognet.unmc.edu. For more information, contact gp.cognet@unmc.edu. IRB #214-19-EP

Scan the QR code for more research opportunities!
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To learn more about the Great Plains Primary Care PBRN, visit:

https://gpctr.unmc.edu/ctr-resources/pbrn/

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