

MINUTES

Community Health Research Exchange

Monday, January 23, 2017

1. Introductions + Announcements

In attendance

Mark Weyant, Living Justly Industries
Dara Sorkin, UCI faculty
Nichole Rupp, Communications, Healthy Smiles for Kids
Nikita Nagpal, UCI Medical Student, PERC
Ria Berger, CEO, Healthy Smiles for Kids
Frank Zaldivar, UCI faculty
Hae In Kim, Clinic in the Park
Tiffany Kaaikamanu, CalOptima
Robynn Zender, UCI ICTS

On phone

Jack Light, St. Jude, Caregiver Resource Center
Alyce Mastrianni, Consultant
Alana LeBron, UCI Faculty

2. Call for Presenters to ICTS Steering Committee

We would like to extend an invitation to all those on the CHRE mailing list to come speak with the Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (ICTS) Steering Committee. This committee meets weekly and they find it very helpful to learn what is going on in the communities that you serve, what the needs are, and what research collaborations might be built. If you are interested, please email Robynn at rzender@uci.edu.

3. Call for Community Researcher Award Nominations

The ICTS hosts its annual Pathways to Cures Clinical Translational Research Day this June 13, 2017. It is a day of talks, “working” workshops (where research agendas are discussed and special topics chosen for the coming year), and networking. In the evening, we have our awards ceremony where researchers who excel in translational science are honored.

Nominations are sought for **two** awards:

1. UCI faculty, staff, or students that excel in demonstrating principles of engagement in building partnerships with community organizations and community members in order to accomplish effective community-engaged research (CEnR), and who exemplify CEnR values in developing their professional research agenda.
2. Community leaders who show commitment to incorporating principles of research and quality improvement in their efforts to address the health of the communities they serve. Candidates for this award possess a research mindset in program development and embed research activities in their organizations to inform evidence-based practices.

To make a nomination, please email Robynn Zender at rzender@uci.edu. Formal calls for nominations for all awards will be announced in the coming 2-3 months, and we will be sure these calls are shared with CHRE members.

4. Suggestions for speakers at CHRE meetings

We have speakers for the bi-monthly CHRE meetings through June, 2017. We are starting to identify potential presenters for the next block of 6 presentations. We would like to hear from all of you about what topics are important and of interest to you and the communities you serve. The only caveat is that the presentations must relate to research in some way, however tangentially. Past topics have included research and evaluation; research in the courts; creating partnerships; what a CCRI grant can do for your CBO; navigating IRB regulations; local resources for researchers; leveraging research to meet your CBOs needs and goals; research and health policy, for example.

Please send your ideas to Robynn at rzender@uci.edu!!!

5. Speaker series 2015-2016

Ria Berger

Ria Berger, MPA, CEO, Healthy Smiles for Kids in Orange County

Topic

Positioning organizations for success with operational funding by leveraging research

Ria Berger is the CEO of Healthy Smiles for Kids of Orange County, one of the largest nonprofit oral health providers for children. Previously, she was a Vice President of Human Resources for several Fortune 500 companies, and has been a Managing Director in the United Kingdom for eight years. She started her career as a Budget Analyst for the City of Los Angeles during the Olympic Games. Ria Berger has a Masters Degree in Public Administration, specializing in Organizational Development from USC, and has taught various HR and business courses at UCI and USC. She was a member of the Advisory Board for the Leadership Services Program at Chapman University. Specialties: Extensive and current experience in strategy, operations, fund development, Board recruitment and development, talent acquisition and management, leadership development, change management, culture transformation, mergers and acquisitions, effective systems integration and analytics within the healthcare, financial, retail, and service industries. Healthy Smiles has several new and existing programs that have been, or are currently being, studied for their effectiveness. They are currently working on building a research partnership with UCI researchers.

Ria and Nichole presented the fascinating history and current work of Healthy Smiles for Kids (HSK) OC.

The excellent YouTube videos we watched can be viewed here:

<https://youtu.be/OViR5pW-P4>

<https://youtu.be/ETHL2ZPfuaw>

HSK is one year into the largest teledentistry pilot project in the state, working with Dr. Paul Glassman from the University of the Pacific in Northern California. Medical and public health students are able to gain internship placements at HSK.

HSK has been involved in research at all stages of their development in order to contribute to and understand evidence-based practice.

Access to schools, families of children they see, creating a research partnership with HSK were topics discussed.

Date	Speaker	Topic
August 22, 2016	Jane Chai Orange County Healthcare Agency Frank Zaldivar Faculty, Pediatric Exercise Medicine	The State of Health in OC: Healthier Together website Project GREEN (Getting Residence Engaged in Exercise and Nutrition)
October 24, 2016	Jodi Quas Psychology and Social Behavior, UCI	Partnered research in the courts
January 23, 2017	Ria Berger Healthy Smiles for Kids of Orange County	Positioning organization for success with funding by leveraging research
February 27, 2017	Margaret Schneider Social Ecology, UCI	Evaluation as a subset of research
April 24, 2017	Monique Daviss El Sol Science and Arts Academy	Why El Sol does partnered Research
June 26, 2017	Marc Lerner OC Department of Education	Conducting research in public schools