

Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH)
An Interdisciplinary Research Seminar

Conducting Community Based Participatory Research

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Tuesday, April 22, 2008
2:00-3:30pm
School of Public Health
1603 W. Taylor St., Room 932

- *Locating community based participatory research in a translation research paradigm
- *Working with an interdisciplinary academic and community team
- *Balancing goals of social justice, community well-being, and first rate science
- *Developing a "community of practice" and other strategies for advancing community based participatory research

Cynthia Barnes-Boyd, PhD, RN, FAAN, Director of the UIC Great Cities Neighborhoods Initiative/Director Community Health Initiatives and Director of the UIC Health City Collaborative. Dr. Boyd is the Assistant Dean for Community Initiatives for the UIC College of Nursing. Her research has included studies addressing social and cultural contributors to health disparities, service utilization barriers, cultural alienation, and health problems of importance to racioethnic groups. She has dedicated her career to improving access to health care by underrepresented groups. She has published, consulted and lectured nationally and internationally on issues related to health, post-neonatal mortality, and management. Dr. Boyd is nationally recognized for her work with organizations in the areas of cultural competency and work force diversity. In 2006 Dr. Boyd was inducted into the Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Program and in 1992 she was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing for outstanding contributions to her field.

Barbara Dancy, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor, Department of Public Health, Mental Health, and Administrative Nursing, UIC College of Nursing. Dr. Dancy's work focuses on reducing health disparities in underserved populations, specifically developing and testing HIV risk reduction interventions for African Americans and for Malawian youth. Dr. Dancy's program of research has been funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. She is also the principal investigator of a National Institute of Nursing Research Training Grant designed to educate the next generation of underrepresented nurses as nurse scientists.

Michele Kelley, ScD, MSW, MA, Associate Professor, Division of Community Health Sciences, UIC School of Public Health. Dr. Kelley is a social worker and social epidemiologist who has been conducting collaborative research with the Greater Humboldt Park community for over 10 years. All of her research has identified community protective factors, built community capacity and included community members in all phases of the research process from conceptualization to analysis and action. She is currently evaluating (1) the Greater Humboldt Park Community of Wellness initiative from the perspective of a community development and community building "Healthy Cities" model as identified by the World Health Organization; and (2) the Barrio Arts Community Academy for youth empowerment, sociopolitical development and socio-emotional benefits. She will be returning to Brazil this summer to look at comparative models for her work.

