“WHAT IS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN RESEARCH?”

Speaker: Ashley M. Butler, PhD, Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine, Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Texas Children’s Hospital

Benefits of Community Engagement:
- Diversity of research participants
- Funding success with inclusion of community engagement in proposals
- Improved translation/implementation of research findings
- Promote equity in research and outcomes for communities

Community Stakeholders may include:
- Patients, researchers, clinicians, payors, industry, hospital and health systems, policy makers, training institutions

Community Engaged Research is on a continuum:
Stakeholders may be involved in community outreach and education, consultants, collaborators and/or involved in dissemination of findings

Challenges:
- Time to establish relationships with stakeholders
- Negotiate differences among community stakeholders and researchers
- Funding requirement needs

Infrastructure needed:
- Personnel
- Discretionary funds
- Meeting space
- Communication channels
- Capacity/skill building training materials

To learn more about Dr. Butler, her work and her team, click here:
- Ashley Butler, Ph.D. – Baylor College of Medicine Faculty Profile
- Health Disparities Laboratory in Pediatric Psychology

The BCM IDDRC events, activities and services are supported in part by the National Institutes of Health Eunice Kennedy Shriver NICHD (P50HD103555) and the Jan and Dan Duncan Neurological Research Institute at TCH.