

*Research Investigator Spring Learning Series on Engagement, Communication and Education*

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## **'VALUE AND IMPACT OF COMMUNITY-ENGAGED APPROACHES – FROM LOCAL TO GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES'**

**Speaker:** Mina Silberberg, Ph.D., Duke University School of Medicine, Division of Community Health, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health

### **Have you ever experienced or observed research...?**

- Failing to address the most important issues facing the affected population?
- Being stalled by logistical obstacles or lack of cooperation?
- Misunderstanding or misrepresenting a critical reality?

### **Community engaged research is meant to address:**

#### The "Northern tradition"

- Loss of community expertise in making research more relevant, successful, and accurate
- Sustainability
- The desire to translate research into action

#### The "Southern tradition"

- Abuse/exploitation of communities
- Power imbalances
- Atheoretical/ahistorical research
- Reproduction of corrosive social relations in research

### **Community engaged research shows evidence of:**

- Increased relevance of research
- Community sense of empowerment, accomplishment, being valued, confidence
- Increased community knowledge about issue, access to information
- New research questions
- New relationships, social and support networks

To learn more about Dr. Silberberg and her work, click below:

- [Mina Silberberg, PhD, Vice Chief, Research and Evaluation](#)
- [Community Engaged Research Initiative | Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute](#)

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