Practice-Based Research in Community Health Centers

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Barriers to Research

- Competing Priorities
- Lack of Funding
- Lack of Research Training
- Impact on Productivity
Community health center patients, minorities, and women have been historically underrepresented in research.

Black Americans are 12% of population, but 5% of clinical trial participants.

Hispanics are 16% of population, but 1% of clinical trial participants.
Why participate?

Clinician Perspective

- Can Improve Health of Patients
- Changes Practices
- Decreases Monotony and Burnout
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<td>There is a natural progression from Quality Improvement Initiatives to Research Initiatives</td>
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<td>QI is the bread and butter of FQHCs as required by HRSA for improvement of UDS measures</td>
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<td>PBRNs bring infrastructure to research activities, offer research opportunities, provide training, create a collaborative environment</td>
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<td>Direct research initiatives based on “boots on the ground” experience and clinic/system priorities</td>
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Why do I participate?

- Allows me to work anywhere
- Continue to think critically and impact patient care
- Utilize my experience to direct and inform research
- Continue to learn and participate in academia without as much of the politics 😊
- Decreases my burnout and improve job satisfaction in a very challenging underserved work environment
References