Call for Nominations:

2015 (4th Annual) ARCC
Community-Engaged Research Partnership Award

Deadline: February 20, 2015

Award Intent: To recognize exemplary community-engaged research partnerships that use a community-based participatory research (CBPR) approach and have made an impact on the health of their community.

Eligibility: Projects must use a CBPR approach and involve a community-academic partnership. Nominations must be submitted by, or on behalf of, a team that includes the participation of at least one community or faith-based organization or public agency AND at least one Northwestern University faculty member (regular or adjunct). Partnerships must be nominated (self-nomination allowed).

Submission Process: Nominators must submit a single PDF document, maximum of two pages that includes 1) the partnership title, 2) Description of participating partners (including names of the lead community partner and lead academic partner, 3) Description of the partnership’s work and outcomes/community impact (this should include an abstract- 300 word maximum).

Selection Criteria: Award recipients will be selected based on their ability to demonstrate the following: 1) pursuit of the ARCC CBPR principles (available at www.ARCConline.net), 2) strength of the community-academic partnership, and 3) community relevance and impact.

Selection Process: Nominations will be reviewed by experienced community and academic partners.

Recognition: The partnership will be publicly recognized at Northwestern’s medical school research day, April 2, 2015 (http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/Research/news/research_day/) and through ARCC and Northwestern’s publicity and media venues. The partnership will also be awarded $100 to cover costs of printing a poster about the partnership to be exhibited at Research Day.

Submission: Email nominations to arcc@northwestern.edu by February 20. Notification will be in March.

2014 Winner

Last year’s award acknowledged the efforts of the Collaboration to Improve Chronic Disease Outcomes for Chicago Public School Students, a long-standing exemplary partnership between Chicago Public Schools (CPS) Office of Student Health and Wellness and Ruchi Gupta, MD’s team at Northwestern University has generated many successful projects and is leading to improved chronic disease reporting and verification for CPS students on asthma, food allergy, and other health issues. CPS and Northwestern University are working together to accomplish mutually beneficial goals for their respective communities and the Chicagoland community at large.

The award is given by the Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) whose mission is growing equitable and collaborative partnerships between Chicago area communities and Northwestern University for research that leads to measurable improvement in community health. To learn more about ARCC and past award winners, visit: http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/funding/seed-grants/arcc/partner-award-recipient.html.