

Call for Nominations:

2019 ARCC Community-Engaged Research Partnership Award

Deadline: March 8, 2019

Award Intent: The [Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities](http://bit.ly/2kSykji) (ARCC) seeks to recognize exemplary partnerships that use a community-engaged research (CEnR) approach to impacting the health of their community. CEnR is the bidirectional exchange of expertise between academics (scientific experts) and communities/stakeholders (local, cultural, practice experts) that aims to increase the value of research design, conduct, and use for improving health and equity. CEnR includes a broad spectrum of engagement from minimal collaboration to equal partnership in all aspect of the research. This award seeks nominations from partnerships that exemplify the Center for Community Health Principles of Engagement (<http://bit.ly/2kSykji>).

Eligibility: Nominations must be submitted by, or on behalf of, a community-academic research partnership 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). Partnerships are not required to have fully completed research projects that have already led to improvements in community health, but must be able to show evidence of authentic partnership that is working towards achieving community impact.

Submission Process: Nominators must submit a single PDF document, maximum of two pages that includes 1) Partnership title, 2) Description of participating partners (including names of lead community partner and lead academic partner), 3) Description of the partnership's work, and 4) Description of any achieved or planned community health impact/outcomes. Submission should include a summary abstract (300 word maximum).

Selection Criteria: Award recipients will be selected based on their ability to **demonstrate** the following: 1) pursuit of the CCH Principles of Engagement (<http://bit.ly/2kSykji>), 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 4, 2019 (<https://bit.ly/2SIIOmg>) and through ARCC and Northwestern's events, publicity, and media venues. Award will include \$100 to cover costs of printing a poster about the partnership to be exhibited at Research Day and other events.

Submission: Email nominations to arcc@northwestern.edu by March 8. Notification will be mid-March.

2018 Winner: *Cooking Up Health: Docs & Kids in the Kitchen*, the exemplary partnership between lead community partner, Stephanie Folkens of [Common Threads](#), a community organization fighting childhood obesity through cooking and nutritional education, and lead academic partner, Northwestern's [Melinda Ring, MD](#) of the [Osher Center for Integrative Medicine](#)



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