Community-Based Participatory Research In Public Health Symposium Series
November 16, 2001

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AGENDA

Location: Center on Human Development and Disability (CHDD) Room CD150

9-9:30 am: Welcome and Overview of the Symposia Series:

University of Washington School of Public Health and Community Medicine
Patricia W. Wahl
Dean

Community-Campus Partnerships for Health
Sarena D. Seifer
Executive Director, Community-Campus Partnerships for Health
Research Assistant Professor, Department of Health Services,
UW School of Public Health and Community Medicine

Health Promotion Research Center
James P LoGerfo
Professor of Medicine and Health Services
Director, UW Health Promotion Research Center

9:30-11 a.m. CBPR in the Northwest

Moderator: James P LoGerfo

Presentations:

June Strickland, UW School of Nursing
Nooksack Clinic partner

Sharyne-Shiu Thornton, UW School of Public Health and Community Medicine
Beruke Giday, Domestic Violence Program, Refugee Women's Alliance

Sue Sohng, UW School of Social Work
Stella Chao, Executive Director, International District Housing Alliance
and President, Minority Executive Director's Coalition

11 am- 12 pm: Panel discussions among all presenters

12 - 1:30 pm: Lunch on your own (there are several eating establishments within close walking distance)

1:30 - 2:30 pm: Convene for reflection, ideas, recommendations
CBPR in the Northwest: Where Do We Go From Here?

Moderator: Sarena D. Seifer
James LoGerfo is Professor of Medicine and Health Services at the University of Washington and serves as the Director of the UW Health Promotion Research Center (HPRC). In his various academic and administrative roles, including eleven years as Medical Director at Harborview Medical Center, he has sought to bridge the worlds of clinical medicine and public health/community medicine. His primary academic work has focused on quality of care, access to care and, more recently, on community-based approaches to improving the health of older adults.

He was involved in the early development of community clinic systems in Seattle, in both clinical and board capacities. In the late 1980’s, he was Director of the Health of the Public Program (HOPP), which supported UW faculty and staff working with community groups. The HOPP helped lay the groundwork for the community research partnership and development of the principles of community based research that were adopted by the UW Health Science Deans in 1993. He currently is a member of the Seattle REACH coalition.

The HPRC links faculty investigators with several community based organizations, creating partnerships that design, test, and disseminate community-based interventions to improve the health of older adults. The HPRC is also the lead center in the new CDC-sponsored national Healthy Aging Research Network. This network will draw on similar academic-community partnerships to broaden the research base for sustainable healthy aging programs in a wide variety of settings across the nation.

Sarena Seifer. In addition to her role as CCPH's executive director, Sarena is a research assistant professor in the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at the University of Washington. Her research focuses on the principles and best practices of partnerships between communities and higher educational institutions around education, research, and community/economic development. She is the author of numerous articles and reports on health professions education, is co-editor of a book on service-learning in medical education published by the American Association of Higher Education, and is co-editor of recent issues of the Journal of Interprofessional Care, Metropolitan Universities and Education for Health on the theme of community-campus partnerships.

In 1995, Sarena completed a postdoctoral fellowship program in health policy at the University of California-San Francisco's Center for the Health Professions. While at the Center, she conducted research on medical education policy, physician workforce issues and physician retraining.
She retains the title of Senior Fellow at the Center and is an active collaborator on several Center-sponsored projects. Prior to her fellowship, she was a health policy analyst for the Washington State Senate and director of recruitment and retention for a regional association of community and migrant health centers.

Sarena is a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis, and received her master's degree in physiology and her medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine. After completing her medical education, Sarena served as the American Medical Student Association's legislative affairs director and subsequently as founding director of its Center for Health Policy Studies.

As a medical student and throughout her professional career, Sarena has advocated for change in health professions education to better meet societal needs. The American Association of Higher Education recently recognized her for her work as a "Young Leader of the Academy".

C. June Strickland is an Associate Professor in Psychosocial and Community Health in the University of Washington School of Nursing. She is a registered nurse and certified health education specialist. She is enrolled Echota Cherokee from Alabama. She earned her undergraduate degree in nursing (BSN) from the University of Alabama, her masters degree in Health Related Behavior and her doctorate in Higher Education, Policy, and Governance from the University of Washington. She is graduate faculty and teaches undergraduate and graduate courses.

Her research focus is in prevention; she has conducted a number of studies with Pacific Northwest Indian tribal communities. Her most recent grant from the National Institute of Nursing Research was with three coastal tribes to address youth suicide prevention. Her publications may be found in journals such as Public Health Nursing, The International Journal of Mental Health, Preventive medicine, and the International Journal of Transcultural Nursing. She serves as an NIH grant reviewer for HRSA, NCI, and NIMH. She also maintains clinical practices sites in PNW tribal communities for undergraduate and graduate students. She is a member of the American Public Health Association, the American Indian/Alaska Native Indian Nurses' Association, and the Society of Public Health Educators. She will be teaching courses in research in the winter quarter, 2001. One course is for doctoral students in Grounded Theory research and the other is Conducting Research with Diverse Populations. For further information, see the University of Washington School of Nursing website.

Michelle Cooper is the daughter of Margaret Abbott, who is a member of the Nooksack Tribe. She served as a Community Health Representative for the Tribe for over 18 years and also served on the Nooksack Tribal Council for a number of years. She currently is working in the Child Protection Services for the Nooksack Tribe.

Beruke Giday is originally from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. She came to the United States in 1983 to pursue her higher education and graduated from the University of Washington with a B.A. in Business Administration. She has worked with Refugee Women's Alliance (ReWA) in Seattle,
Washington since 1988 as an East African Bilingual Advocate and Domestic Violence (DV) Program Manager. She is recognized leader in DV service provider community in Seattle and has provided many hours of training, consultation, and technical assistance to refuge and mainstream service providers.

**Sharyne-Shiu Thornton** is a medical anthropologist and ethnic minority mental health specialist. She is a licensed mental health counselor, State of Washington. Currently, she is on faculty in the Department of Health Services, University of Washington. She has almost 20 years experience as a diversity/cultural competency trainer with a specialized focus on health/mental health service delivery to immigrant and refugee populations. Her experiences include working with bilingual/bicultural medical interpreters and case managers as well as providing direct clinical care to limited English-speaking clients. Her clinical work also includes services to immigrant/ refugee and urban American Indian women and children survivors of domestic violence.

**Stella Chao** is Executive Director of International District Housing Alliance, a non-profit community based organization founded in 1977 that provides culturally competent housing and community building services for the Asian and Pacific Islander population of Greater Seattle. She is also the President of the Minority Executive Director's Coalition of King County which represents 90 Directors and Executive Directors of Color in the area of human services throughout the County. The Coalition serves as an advocacy organization that works on policy and legislation at local and State levels on behalf of communities of color. Stella received her Master's degree in Social Work and was a Fellow in Community Development at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Urban Studies and Planning.

**Sue Sohng** is Associate Professor of School of Social Work at the University of Washington, where she has been teaching participatory action research, cultural diversity and social justice for ten years. As a participatory action researcher and teacher, she takes students out of the classroom and into the field as a core site of learning and wraps academic coursework and research training around those experiences. The integration of community-based learning take place via a collective research/service initiative, designed by onsite faculty and students with the participation of agency staff. She has been an active participant in the International District social service agencies and Korean American community, serving on boards, commissions and task forces to help build community capacity building.

Currently she is the principal implementor for "Partnership for Integrated, Community-based Learning Program," a major curriculum transformation at the UW School of Social Work program, focusing on community-based research and service. She serves as a co-Director for the Institute of Intergroup Dialogue Research and Practice at UW.

She is currently carrying out an international comparative study, examining the partnership of government-nonprofit social service organizations between Mie Prefecture, Japan and Seattle, Washington.