
D-CHIPP Affiliate Newsletter

DUSON Community Health Improvement Partnership Program

Partnering with the community to advance health.

D-CHIPP Director's Note



Happy Fall Everyone! With the start of a new season, this issue of the D-CHIPP Newsletter looks slightly different than previous months. This month we launch a new feature, "Stories of Success" that spotlights ways we are disseminating the work of D-CHIPP and successes of our community partners. We first highlight a presentation given at the Association of Community Health Nurse Educators annual conference by DUSON Assistant Professor and D-CHIPP Executive Committee member, Irene Felsman, along with our colleague, Marianne Cockroft, Clinical Associate Professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In this presentation, Irene and Marianne discussed the School of Nursing Consortium developed by D-CHIPP last year.

A panel presentation given at the Black Communities: A Conference for Collaboration event, with community partners from Durham Housing Authority (DHA) and Families Moving Forward (FMF) is the second highlight. In this presentation, I, along with Heather Mountz and partners Ashanti Brown from DHA and Tasha Melvin from FMF talked about the benefits each organization gains by partnering together.

Our final highlight is a great success story of a patient of the Durham Homeless Care Transitions program who, after almost 7 years living on the streets, now has a safe place to call home

If you would like to be included in an upcoming "Stories of Success" feature, contact D-CHIPP Coordinator, Heather Mountz. Enjoy!

Stories of Success: School of Nursing Consortium

Earlier this year at the Association of Community Health Nurse Educators annual conference, DUSON's Irene Felsman and Marianne Cockroft from University of North Carolina (UNC) presented "Working together to enhance a culture of health in Durham, North Carolina through establishment of a nursing school consortium." The presentation outlined the creation of a consortium for schools of nursing in the Durham area, initiated by D-CHIPP in May 2018. The schools include DUSON, UNC, North Carolina Central University (NCCU), and Watts School of Nursing. These four schools of nursing are within 10 miles of each other and serve nearly 25 community organizations and their clients, who represent an underserved and racially diverse population.

The step to create the consortium was taken after community partners brought to our attention the multiple requests made by schools to be clinical sites. The goal of the consortium is to coordinate clinical placement calendars, nursing programs, and provide aligned screening and health education efforts to the community partner organizations. The group has mapped nursing school programs, community and population health courses, and clinical sites in the Durham and surrounding area. Among other activities the group is working towards is collaboration on larger health promotion events in the community. The consortium provides the opportunity to move beyond a competitive environment and collaborate in order to further community health and share ideas, including best practices in establishing clinical agreements, simulation exercises, and ways of electronic collaboration.

Stories of Success continued...

Black Communities:

A Conference for Collaboration

Below L-R: Heather Mountz (DUSON), Tasha Melvin (Families Moving Forward), Donna Biederman (DUSON), and Ashanti Brown (Durham Housing Authority)



D-CHIPP Director, Donna Biederman, and Coordinator, Heather Mountz, along with Ashanti Brown from Durham Housing Authority and Tasha Melvin from Families Moving Forward recently gave a panel presentation at the Black Communities: A Conference for Collaboration in Durham. In the presentation, "Improving health through community engagement, partnership, research, education, and service," the panelists discussed collaboration projects regarding research, programs and clinical placement, as well as how both organizations benefit from the partnership.

A New Beginning for Durham Homeless Care Transitions patient, Timothy Weaver

After spending nearly 7 years living under the Fayetteville Bridge near Hayti Heritage Center, Timothy "Tim" Weaver moved into a new home earlier this week. Tim, known as Santa Claus on the street, has carried deep-seeded worries and stress for many years, but he is now working with Durham Homeless Care Transitions and other service providers to get the medical care and resources he needs to make a fresh start. Tim is described by his case manager, Cierra Hamlet, as a kind, sweet, funny, caring, resilient, talkative, and very loving man, who *loves* chocolate ice cream. Congratulations to Tim on his new home.

Tim Weaver, pictured with his case manager, Cierra Hamlet, at the front door of his new home.



D-CHIPP affiliates are scholars, leaders, researchers, & educators. See the publications, grant submissions, and much more by D-CHIPP affiliates during August.

Publications 5: **McConnell** and Colleague Publish Article in Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine; **Sabol** Quoted in Health eCareers News Story; **Silva** and Colleagues Publish Article in the International Journal of Radiation Oncology; **Hendrix** Provides Commentary on Duke Medicine Health News Mindfulness Eases Caregiver Strain; **Hendrix** and Colleagues Publish Article in Journal of General Internal Medicine

Grant submissions 3: PhD Student Cao and **Gonzalez-Guarda** Submit Sigma Theta Tau Proposal; **Edie** and Colleagues Submit Duke ABC Thrive Application; **McConnell** submits Durham Center for Senior Life proposal

Grant awards 1: **Walton** Receives Award for SCAHIP Grant

Conference presentations 2: Faculty and Staff Present at INANE Conference (**Edie**); **Padilla** and Duke Colleagues Present at Nexus Summit 2019

Welcome to our New D-CHIPP Affiliates!!

Faculty: Amie Koch & Christine Tocchi

Post-Doc: Allison Stafford

Students: Rebecca Allison, Rachel Castillo, Anna D'Agostino, Kiara Dandridge, Oliver Fajardo, Rose Feinberg, Taisir Idries, Yunah Kang, Jaelyn Latvis, MJ Lee, & Dan Tounsel

News from the Center for Nursing Research

Coming Soon! The Center for Nursing Research will soon release the **Fall 2019 Pilot Studies Request for Applications**. The CNR pilot program encourages researchers to explore novel, current and innovative ideas that address DUSON Research Areas of Excellence with the goal of preparing faculty members for submitting NIH R-level or equivalent proposals. The four RAEs are: data science, health innovation, population health and precision health. Look for the Call in early October, with Intent to Submit due mid-October, and full proposals due early December.

Nicholas School of the Environment (NSOE) collaboration: The second Lunch & Learn event will take place in October on a TBD date at NSOE. This session will provide information about GIS mapping. Lunch will be provided. More information is coming soon!

The **Social Determinants / Influencers of Health Research Interest Group** recently met for the first time. If you are interested in being added to the listserv for this group, contact Lori Jackson.

Upcoming Events

October 23rd: Community Partner Recognition Event, 11:15 a.m., Classroom 1103

November 2-6: [American Public Health Association Conference](#) in Philadelphia, PA (Irene Felsman & Rosa Gonzalez-Guarda presenting break out session on SER study; Schenita Randolph presenting, "Strategies for Development and Sustainability of Stakeholder Engagement in a Multi-Site Study")

Don't Miss the 1st Annual Community Health Lecture—

November 11th: Keynote Dr. Susan Swider, Rush University, 3:00 p.m., Classroom 1014. For more information and to register: http://bit.ly/DCHIPP_1111

Submit an upcoming event for inclusion in the newsletter to dchippcoord@duke.edu

D-CHIPP Affiliate Spotlight:

Jacqui McMillian-Bohler, PhD, MSN, BSN, CNM, CNE

Hometown: Cary, North Carolina

Favorite food: Ice cream

Favorite thing: Shoes, of course!

Favorite vacation spot: Any beach (foreign or domestic)

Current research or other projects: Identifying effective content specific teaching strategies & Creating safe learning environments through bystander training

Courses teaching this or next semester / our taught recently: Wellness Across the Lifespan, Advanced Practice Nursing in Prenatal Care, Nursing Care for the Childbearing Family & Flu Fighters

Community partners: Charles House, Durham County Public Schools, & LCI (largest American employer of those who are blind or visually impaired)



Happy Fall!

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