All Health is Local: Building Collaborations in the Community

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Abstract:
This presentation will include an analysis of the relationships needed in collaborating with community partners. Each of the presenters will describe their roles in long-standing partnerships in the Milwaukee community, including the UWM Community Nursing Centers at the House of Peace and Silver Spring Neighborhood Center and the Riverwest Health Initiative. Collaboration will be explored from the standpoint of both academic and community partners. We will also compare partnership models, including HWPP, IOM, and the Community Toolbox, to identify core principles of success in collaboration. These principles will be applied to the community health improvement process; examined related to cultural variations in different communities; considered as approaches for sustaining partnerships over time; and explored in group discussion.

Session Goals:
- Explore models of Community-based participation in defining community health priorities and care.
- Define the roles of the partners in successful community-based partnerships.

Learning Objectives:
- Apply models of partnership for community collaboration in healthcare.
- Discuss successful strategies in meeting partnering challenges.
- Analyze approaches for sustaining partnerships over time.