



CENTRAL NEW YORK CITIZENS AGING RESEARCH AND ACTION NETWORK

“Working to Enable Older Adults to Live Well at Home”

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CNY-CAN partners submit third research proposal to PCORI

After success with a Letter of Intent to the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) a research team of CNY-CAN partners and caregivers in February submitted a full proposal for a three-year research project. Partner research sites in the proposal are SUNY Downstate Medical University, University of Rochester and Université Laval in Quebec.

The objective of the proposal is to compare the effectiveness of two tools used to help patients and caregivers decide whether or not to take medication.

This is the third proposal CNY-CAN submitted to PCORI since CNY-CAN was approved for PCORI’s Pipeline to Proposals Award in 2015. Wish the team luck now that their first round of work is done.

CNY-CAN caregivers and researchers present webinar with NYSPPA

On Feb. 21 researchers and caregivers with support from the Health Foundation of Western & Central New York presented a New York State Public Health Association webinar *Stories Matter: A Patient/Caregiver Driven Approach to Research and Public Health* on the value



Caregivers Linda Wilcox, Rosanne Suskin, and Sharon Brangman, MD, in webinar.

of patient and caregiver involvement in healthcare research development.

Participating were Sharon Brangman, MD; Bruce Hathaway; Director of Community Engagement Systems at HealthConnections; and caregivers Linda Wilcox and Rosanne Suskin. Dr. Brangman is Director of the Center of Excellence for Alzheimer’s Disease at SUNY Upstate Medical University, a SUNY Distinguished Service Professor, Chief of Geriatrics, and a founding partner in CNY-CAN. To hear an archived version of the webinar you can go to the website nyspha.roundtablelive.org/webinars

Upstate researcher joins board of CNY-CAN partner FOCUS

Telisa Stewart, MPH, DrPH, has been named to the board of directors of CNY-CAN’s founding community engagement partner FOCUS Greater Syracuse Inc.

Dr. Stewart’s expertise includes community participatory research and has been essential in the development of CNY-CAN’s most recent research proposals. She is Assistant Professor of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Assistant Professor of Urology, and Assistant Director of the Central New York Master of Public Health Program at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She also is Adjunct Assistant Professor of Public Administration at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University and an affiliated investigator for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

CNY-CAN founding partner named Deputy Mayor of Syracuse

Syracuse Mayor Ben Walsh has appointed CNY-CAN founding partner Sharon Owens as Deputy Mayor of the City of Syracuse. She moved from her role as Chief Executive Officer of the Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility and its Southwest Community Center to the new post in January.

Before her work with Syracuse Model Neighborhood she was Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development for the City of Syracuse.