Community Research Terms

Academic Collaborator is a person or team that typically works in a university setting and is a resource for expertise and experience on a project topic, population and/or specific area of research. They have experience working on grant funded projects and typically have an advanced degree.

Data Collection, Data Analysis and Reporting: Includes storage, retrieval and sharing of data and knowledge for problem solving and decision making; linking and combining data and providing statistical analysis; support for this resource is typically determined at the beginning of a project

Initial project consult with Community Liaison: The first meeting with community partner and Community Liaison to discuss project in depth and identify areas of need for support and expertise.

Project Development Support: Support writing a proposal, project design, evaluation planning, identifying data sources and appropriate outcome measures to meet goals

Proposal Review: This service provides an opportunity to receive a no-charge review and written feedback on the community partner application before a final proposal is submitted to a funder. This review is provided by an un-biased, external academic expert who has applicable expertise and experience on your topic area and/or areas such as grant writing, evaluation or program management.

Reporting and dissemination plans: Includes full length reports, executive summaries, community friendly presentations and interactive illustrations; guidance and tips on sharing results within the community; communication strategy to share data or research when a project is complete

Training and Technical Assistance: Training on topics related to the project; topics can include writing evaluation plans, data collection, understating IRB, learning how to search for evidence-based interventions, etc; "community partner skill building" through trainings/workshops provided by the liaison and other team members.