Community Driven Research Day (CDRD) is an annual event that provides an opportunity for community-based organizations to discuss their research needs with researchers from five sponsoring academic institutions, including Jefferson, Temple University, University of Pennsylvania, The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, and Drexel University, in a conference-style format with poster presentations that outline community-based projects.

For 2015-2016, JCPH provided support for Philadelphia Interfaith Hospitality Network’s project to identify common characteristics of programmatic success and health among the homeless families that they serve. They are currently working with Dr. Rickie Brawer and Dr. Jim Plumb on this assessment, and are utilizing Jefferson students to do secondary data analyses and, eventually, interviews with families.

On December 7, 2016, JCPH and the Jefferson College of Nursing hosted the 2016-2017 CDRD, “Novel Approaches to Community Health Promotion.” At the event, 23 representatives from community organizations display posters about their organization and services, and spoke with over 100 attendees, including faculty, students, and community members.

Following CDRD is a Call for Proposals, whereby community-based organizations can work with researchers from one of the sponsor institutions on an application for funding for a CBPR project. Each sponsor institution receives proposals from community members who want to work with their faculty, and then choose at least one project to fund.

Click here for more information.

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