Dear Health Profession Student or Faculty Member:

Thank you for your interest in the IPEC/COF Excellence in Interprofessional Education Collaboration Award for Fall 2021 to Spring 2022.

This award is presented to a team of health professional students and/or faculty that has an interprofessional composition. "Interprofessional" would include representation by two or more health professions. In addition to including team members representing multiple professions, the project should demonstrate relationship between interprofessional practice and outcomes (community practice, public health education, and/or research).

Applicants must submit a (1) signed checklist; (2) coversheet with brief project description; (3) two-page narrative (including detailed documentation of impact); (4) abbreviated Principal Investigator (PI) CV (6 pages or less); (5) outline of collaborator roles; and (6) letter of dean support. Applicants may include optional supplementary materials, such as pictures, a slide presentation (12 slides or less), and/or video short. References and supplemental material will not count against the 2-page project description limitation.

Award nominations from each school must be submitted through a Health Professional School Dean or Awards Committee, include representation by two or more health professions, and demonstrate a clear relationship between interprofessional practice, outcomes, and impact. The nomination should provide a rationale for the interprofessional team’s composition, a plan to evaluate the project’s outcomes, discuss the function of the interprofessional team, and plans for publication as a poster/journal article.

The final group project nominated from each school will have addressed some of the Core Competencies of intercollaborative practice as identified by Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC), promoted scholarship in interprofessional collaborative practice, focused on community and public health practice to address social determinants of health and advance health equity, included local community leaders and found ways to foster creativity and innovation across the different sectors/organizations to make lasting gains.

Some examples of topic areas include the opioid epidemic, COVID-19 pandemic, increasing adult immunization rates, texting and driving awareness and prevention, nutrition, weight management, exercise, walkable communities, strategies to decrease uninsured rates, community gardens, mental health and wellness, sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS education, prevention, and management, environmental health education programs, interventions to impact disease state outcomes, e.g. asthma.

The Dean or School Awards Committee of each health professional school or college will select one nominee to forward to the Awards Committee for evaluation. Once the nominee is selected, please verify that all required items in the nomination package are complete. Note that each health professional school can only submit one application; however, students and
faculty within the health professional school can be part of other school submissions. For example, faculty from the University of Washington, School of Pharmacy could submit an award with the School of Public Health on self-efficacy of blood pressure management and support a submission with the School of Medicine on community outreach in rural communities.

One Overall National Awardee will be selected and presented their award at the annual Summer/June 2022 IPEC Meeting. If held in-person, travel and accommodations will be covered for the PI. A webinar series or continuing education publication will be developed from selected project/topic areas.

Honorable Mention Finalists will also be awarded to one applicant in each of five categories: (1) Health Communications & Health Technology, (2) Behavioral Health, (3) Public Health Infrastructure, (4) Community Empowerment and Education, and (5) Injury and Violence Prevention/Physical Safety. The five honorable mentions will also be invited to participate in the June IPEC Meeting. Finalists will receive certificates and give poster presentations on their projects. Travel expenses, should the meeting be held in-person, will be at the finalists’ expense.

Nomination packages (application checklist, narrative, 2-page application, PI abbreviated CV, nomination letter, along with optional additional materials) will be reviewed to ensure that the nominee meets the selection criteria. The nominator and contact person from the Award application will be notified of the outcome by email no later than March 25, 2022.

To apply online, visit https://www.ipecollaborative.org/ipe-collaboration-award.

The deadline for online submission of completed application package is Friday, February 4, 2022 at 8:00 p.m. Eastern.
ELIGIBILITY:
☐ Is the Principal Investigator/Group Lead a health professions student or faculty member?
☐ Does your team have an interprofessional composition ("Interprofessional" would include representation by two or more health professions)?
☐ Did the project establish a relationship between interprofessional practice and an impact (in the areas of community practice, public health education, and/or research)?

AWARD CRITERIA GUIDELINES
Does your group address the following, which is included in your nomination?
☐ Core competencies of interprofessional collaborative practice as identified by Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC)
☐ Scholarship in interprofessional collaborative practice, focusing on community and public health practice to address social determinants of health and advance health equity
☐ Local community leaders and finding ways to foster creativity and innovation across the different sectors/organizations to make lasting gains

APPLICATION PACKAGE COMPONENTS
The following must be submitted online as individual documents and/or PDFs.
☐ Completed checklist (signed copy)
☐ Cover sheet (1 page)
☐ Write up (2 pages or less) including:
  • Goal of project
  • Public Health Significance - include how community need was determined
  • Rationale and Approach (including methods, outcome measures, and project evaluation)
  • Results/Outcome and plans for publication
☐ Abbreviated curriculum vitae of Principal Investigator (PI) (6 pages or less)
☐ Outline of collaborator roles
☐ Letter of support from the Dean
☐ Supplementary materials (optional):
  • Slide deck (12 slides or less), and/or
  • Pictures (submit via email to award@ipecollaborative.org), and/or
  • Video short (upload online or email to award@ipecollaborative.org, if file too large)

Note: References and supplemental material will not count against the 2-page project description.

AWARD SUBMISSION PROCESS
Did you:
☐ Submit your online application at by Friday, February 4, 2022?

Note: You will receive an email confirmation after you submit the online submission form.

Print PI Name: ________________________________ Date: ______________________________

PI Signature: ___________________________________________________________