



Ubuntu 2024 Workshop

Title:

Developing Socially Accountable Research Networks

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Synopsis

Social Accountability has made waves in medical education, reformed the training of health professionals, connected health policies with community needs, and transformed many institutions around the world. However, the question of precisely how social accountability can aid networks of researchers has yet to be explored. Drawing from the first year of CREATE - a long term research project focused on socially accountable research networks - this 1-hour workshop will focus on practical skills for developing and maintaining research partnerships across institutions that are distributed around the world.

Learning Outcomes

At the end of the workshop participants will be able to:

1. Understand how Social Accountability influences research, and how Social Accountability can help foster diverse and resilient research networks;
2. Identify where researchers and community partners have aligned interests and;
3. Foster conflict-resolution and mediation strategies to address the inevitable tensions of working together in diverse environments.

Workshop Outline

| Time | Activities |
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| 2 minutes | Welcome comments from the Ubuntu 2024 Moderator |
| 2 minutes | Welcome remarks by Maxwell Kennel |
| 10 minutes | Opening Roundtable |
| | What is Social Accountability? |
| | What is Socially Accountable Research? |
| | What is a Socially Accountable Research Network? |
| 15 minutes | Discussion of the results of a scoping review on Socially Accountable Research, with comments from the CREATE Project team. |
| 15 minutes | Discussion of how “Community-based participatory research,” relates to socially accountable research, and Q&A with the group. |
| 10 minutes | ACTIVITY: Determine community groups to involve in your research and ways to form or foster relationships. Reflections on the CREATE project’s unique governance structure and efforts toward creating safe environments/meeting spaces/networks. |
| 2 minutes | Wrap-Up by Maxwell Kennel |
| 2 minutes | Closing comments from the Ubuntu 2024 Moderator |