Outcomes of a Community-Based Participatory Research Partnership Self-Evaluation: The Rochester Healthy Community Partnership Experience

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What Is the Purpose of This Study/Review?

• This article describes the qualitative and quantitative research methods, group analysis, and outcomes of a self-evaluation performed by a well-established community-based participatory research (CBPR) partnership.

What Is the Problem?

• Case studies in CBPR partnership evaluation are needed to better understand processes and dynamics associated with outcomes and to identify factors that contribute to partnership sustainability.

What Are the Findings?

• The evaluation showed that partnership processes were its most important products.
• We also identified associations between partnership practices, dynamics, and outcomes.
• Positive partnership dynamics were associated with perceptions of improved health and equity outcomes.
• Insights gained from the evaluation are being used to guide decisions about future directions for the partnership and sustainability.

Who Should Care Most?

• This study is relevant for members of CBPR partnerships who seek to better understand partnership processes and dynamics that influence partnership outcomes.

Recommendations for Action

• CBPR partnership evaluation facilitates structured reflection about processes that contribute to outcomes, sustainability, and future directions.
• Partnerships should seek out established and validated measures to evaluate CBPR partnership processes and dynamics, and evaluation designs should be adapted to suit their specific needs.