SLICE Meeting - June

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Outline

- Introduction

- Portal

- Literature Review

- Network Development

Introduction

- B. Sc at Mount Allison University, MPH student at Memorial.

- Interests: Mental health, disability.

- Key Program Take-Aways: Health is more than just your biology, importance of collaborative teamwork, importance of networks.

Portal

- Improve engagement between the community and the university.

- Create student opportunities.

- Frame using the social determinants of health.

- Help identify similar interests and form partnerships.

- List of community organizations complete, currently working on university departments.

Barriers to Community Engagement

1. Trust
2. Organizational, cultural, and ethnic differences
3. Values
4. Community Needs
5. Participation
6. Time
7. Resources and Funding
8. Communication
9. Power Differentials
10. Institutional Factors
11. Knowledge Dissemination

Solutions

1. Taking time to form and maintain relationships
2. Inclusion of key community members
3. Work Plans
4. Reflexivity and Cultural Sensitivity
5. Transparency

Literature Review: Conclusion

- Many barriers to community engagement, but also many solutions.

- Create a guide to avoid and/or address barriers.

Network Development

- Identify existing connections.

- Identify best practices.

- Identify areas for potential connections.

- Learning opportunities.

Questions?