



Department of Family Medicine

Presents:

**Improving health organization practices
through participatory research – Is it worth it?
A Participatory Systematic
Mixed Studies Review**

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Organizational Participatory Research (OPR) blends research and action to produce knowledge that can improve organization practices. Organization members may either be consulted or work with researchers making decisions throughout the research process. The differences between these two levels of organization members' research participation are unknown, as are the processes associated with pitfalls (e.g., adverse outcomes or challenges) of OPR. Such knowledge is warranted for health organizations and researchers interested in practice improvement initiatives.

We are undertaking a participatory systematic mixed studies review to 1) identify processes associated with OPR outcomes; 2) understand OPR processes associated with pitfalls of research co-construction; and 3) measure the association between research co-construction and unanticipated benefits of this type of participation.

From the 8873 citations retrieved through our search of peer-reviewed and grey literature sources, we identified 992 potentially relevant publications and selected 107 studies to include in our synthesis. We will present findings from our qualitative and quantitative syntheses regarding processes, outcomes, extra benefits, and suggested best practices of OPR.

Thursday October 16, 2014
From: 12:00-1:30 p.m.
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Taxis and public transport are advised.

More details:

Paula L. Bush is a postdoctoral fellow with the department of Family Medicine at McGill University. Her dissertation was a participatory study aimed at improving the capacity of a YMCA to optimize adolescent programming. She has been a member of PRAM since 2009 when she joined the core team of the systematic review of Community-Based Participatory Research. Since then, as a representative of PRAM, she has given numerous seminars and workshops on Participatory Research both in and outside McGill. Updates for this OPR review can be followed @PaulaLBush or #OPRreview

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