

**Wednesday,
October 4th, 2017
12:00-1:00pm**

**UC Center
Sacramento**
1130 K Street
Room LL3
Sacramento, CA 95814

Lunch will be served

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“Community Engagement and Planning to Address Depression: An Approach to Health Equity”

Dr. Kenneth Wells
University of California, Los Angeles

Dr. Wells will review the approach and findings of Community Partners in Care (CPIC), a collaborative research project of community and academic partners working together to learn the best way to reduce the burden that depression places on our communities and vulnerable populations. CPIC was developed out of five years of collaborative work on how to address depression in our communities, on many years of prior research on how to improve depression care in primary care settings, and on extensive efforts to address health disparities through community-partnered initiatives. Dr. Wells reviews the two approaches to address depression in under-resourced communities utilized in the LA-based CPIC program: community engagement and planning to support community-wide coalitions or technical assistance to individual community programs.

Dr. Kenneth Wells is Director of the Semel Institute’s Center for Health Services and Society, Co-Director of the California Behavioral Health Center of Excellence and Associate Director of the National Clinician Scholars Program at UCLA. His research focuses on improving mental health outcomes through a community-partnered, participatory research approach. Dr. Wells received the American Psychiatric Association’s Research Prize, Junior and Senior Investigator Awards of Academy Health, and is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine. Dr. Wells co-led a major American Red Cross post-Katrina relief effort in New Orleans. He is Principal Investigator of Community Partners in Care (CPIC) and the Community and Patient Partnered Research Network. Dr. Wells received the Association of Clinical and Translational Science 2014 Team Science Award, 2014 APHA Thomas Bruce Award, and 2015 Campus-Community Partnership for Health Annual Award.



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