

Palliative Research
CENTER
(PaRC) Annual Retreat
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Palliative Research Center Fall 2020 Retreat Summary



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THE RETREAT

On October 9th, 2020, forty-four faculty, staff, and trainees across 7 departments at the University of Pittsburgh and 3 institutions came together to address key challenges in Palliative Care research:

Primary Goals:

**spark new ideas and foster
collaborations to promote palliative
care research**

How might we adjust our mentoring and recruitment efforts to improve diversity and inclusion in PaRC?

Workforce Diversity

How might we partner with local communities to build trust and nurture partnerships between communities and researchers in a way that benefits all?

Community Engagement

How might we design and implement new models of palliative care that are patient-centered, efficient, and scalable?

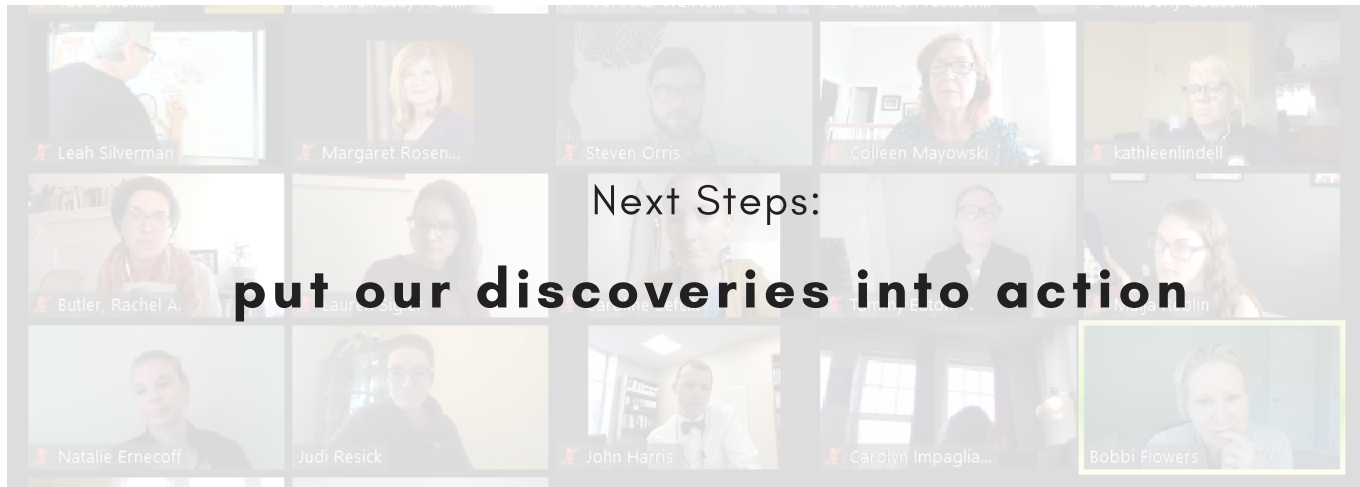
Models of Palliative Care

How might we develop, nurture and sustain an interdisciplinary team of investigators that is prepared to respond to new challenges in serious illness care?

Future Research

OUTCOMES

PaRC faculty have developed a set of initiatives to implement in collaboration with interested retreat attendees for FY2021 to address key challenges.



Community & Collaborations	Establish partnerships w/ Pittsburgh Baptist Churches to elicit serious illness priorities and jointly develop research projects
	PaRC-sponsored external speaker series
Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion	Increase diversity among PaRC mentees through the Gleitsman Diversity Award
	Pool existing/create new resources to develop a NIH Diversity Toolkit
	Improve staff diversity by modifying traditional recruitment hiring practices
Innovations in Palliative Care Science	UPMC-based project to evaluate delivering care to a population targeted to receive palliative care
	Using smartphone based data collection to capture patient-reported outcomes and behavioral data
	Explore concept of palliative care dosing
Mentorship, Training, and Career Development	Establish a visiting professorship for junior faculty
	Participate in the national postdoctoral palliative care research training collaborative
	Explore growth & develop opportunities for PhDs