

COPR Liaison Report to the ACD

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New COPR Members:

- CBS Television Executive
- Rural Healthcare Administrator
- Community-based Research Administrator
- University Faculty Member focused on health policy and ethics
- Patient Advocacy Leader focused on food allergies and anaphylaxis
- Government Relations Expert (former staffer with NIH and Representative Bill Young)





Recent COPR Activities

COPR will be submitting two *editorials on the value of involving the public in the research process*

- scientific journal
- general media publication





April 2007 Meeting Focus: Consensus Building & Priority Setting

COPR's April meeting focused on consensus building and priority setting. In large and small groups, COPR discussed 12 issues within four major categories:

- Community engagement
- Diversity issues and health disparities
- Disenfranchised areas
- Emerging issues





April 2007 Meeting Focus: Consensus Building & Priority Setting

COPR confirmed the continuation of the *Role of the Public in Research Work Group* and selected the following specific action item for immediate focus:

Identify ways to encourage researchers to involve the public



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*Identify ways to encourage
researchers to involve the public
including, but not limited to:*

- Health disparities
- Diversity
- Community engagement
- Behavioral and social context in research





Increasing Synergy and Exchange between the ACD and COPR

- ACD members attended a COPR meeting: John Nelson (retired physician, former AMA President) attended this meeting (and work group).
- Liaison role is a reciprocal activity that has very positive effects: A way to give public input to scientists. COPR members are also participating on ACD Working Groups (Marjorie Mau, M.D. – ACD Peer Review Working Group)
- A “sea change” seems already to be afoot, with close connection between present ACD and COPR Liaisons.
- Director should consider transition period of new liaisons to/from either Council: Liaison-Elects attend one meeting of other Council with the current Liaison.
- ACD member ideas for strengthening bonds between ACD and COPR very welcome.





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Remarks from
John Nelson and ACD
Comments...

