

President's Community Engagement Awards

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The President's Community Engagement Award recognizes the exemplary community-academic partnership, community engaged research, and community outreach activities of faculty, staff, students, and community partners of the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW). Since 2015, the award has been sponsored by the President's Office and administered by the Office of the Associate Provost and Senior Associate Dean for Community Engagement. We are grateful for the generosity and support of MCW president and CEO John R. Raymond, Sr., MD, for his leadership and recognition of those who carry out the valuable work of the Community Engagement mission.

Community Partner

Brett Fuller, MAE

Curriculum Specialist, Department of Wellness and Prevention,
Milwaukee Public Schools

MCW Student

Bisola-Sarah Omoba, MD

MCW Medical Student Class of 2020

MCW Staff

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“Not only does Brett support community partnerships but does so to improve the health of the community. He calls on his partners for their knowledge and experience and they call on him for his in return. His primary role is to support physical education, but his passions run much deeper to support the health of all children.”

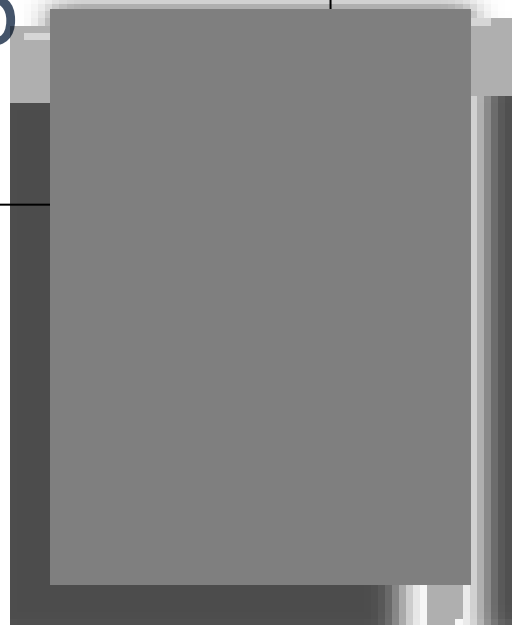
– David Nelson, PhD, Associate Professor,
Family and Community Medicine, MCW

Bisola-Sarah Omoba, MD

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“Bisola has a natural curiosity and genuine love for humanity that lends nicely to her propensity to help others by creating realistic solutions. During her short time at MCW, Bisola has laid the groundwork for sustainable programs that serve underrepresented communities as well as underrepresented minority (URM) students.”

– Cheryl Crawford, Program Manager,
Academic Support and Enrichment



2020 PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STAFF AWARDEE

Jermaine Murry, MS

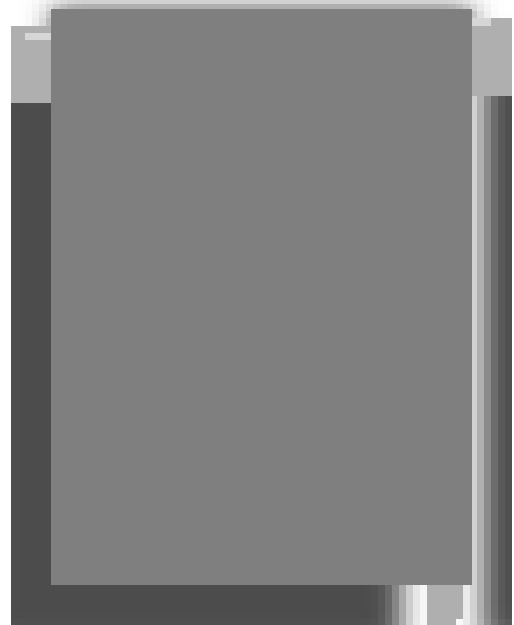
Community Program Coordinator,
MCW Cancer Center

"He understands the objectives of his role and department, but early on incorporated relationship-building in the community. Any given day you can find Jermaine at the barbershop, the local grocery store, or even at church discussing the football game...but then following up with the question...when was the last time you were screened?"

- Venus M. Coates, Department Administrator,
Robert D. and Patricia E. Kern Institute for the
Transformation of Medical Education

Jermaine joined the MCW Cancer Center in 2017 as a Community Program Coordinator. Originally from Milwaukee, WI, he earned his Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resources at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He also completed his Master of Science in Human Resources Management and Master of Science in Sports Management at Cardinal Stritch University. Jermaine primarily works with the Cancer Center Community Outreach and Engagement team. This effort provides outreach, education, and research opportunities to community partners.

Additionally, Jermaine provides support to the MCW Cancer Center Community Advisory Board. Collaborating with community partners in the Southeast Wisconsin is an essential part of his role. As such, he has coordinated several highly visible community projects including: Pin-A-Brother/Pin-A-Sister at African American churches in Milwaukee, and the annual Prostate Health Education Symposium, which has provided over 100 men with free prostate cancer screenings.



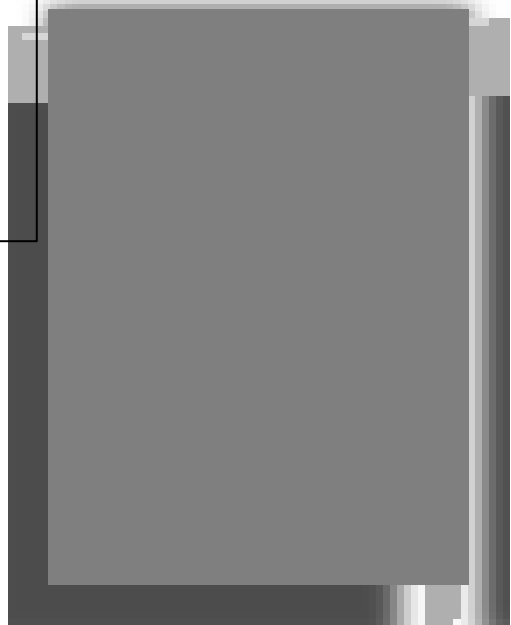
Michael Levas, MD, MS

Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Emergency Medicine

"Through family events and summer camp, Mike is ever-present. Whether he is helping Project Ujima youth build boats or working with faculty and students from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's Community Arts program, Mike is all in! His advocacy is contagious amongst our faculty, staff and students."

- Marlene MelzerLange, MD,
Professor, Pediatrics, MCW

Dr. Levas has been with the Medical College of Wisconsin's Section of Pediatric



Staci Young, PhD

Associate Professor, Department of
Family and Community Medicine

Director, Center for Healthy Communities
and Research

“Dr. Young has a long and distinguished record of community-engaged health promotion and research with diverse vulnerable communities. As a sociologist, her work demonstrates her deep commitment to examining structural barriers and conditions that contribute to health disparities.”

- Linda N. Meurer, MD, MPH, Professor and
Vice Chair, Family and Community Medicine



