



PAPREN

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY POLICY RESEARCH
AND EVALUATION NETWORK



Active people in active communities, supported by equitable, sustainable policies and practices

What is PAPREN?

PAPREN is a CDC-funded Network that brings diverse partners together to create environments that maximize physical activity.

The Network advances the evidence base and puts research into practice through collaboration across sectors with a shared vision of achieving active communities.

PAPREN is a thematic research network of the Prevention Research Centers (PRC) program of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity (DNPAO).

Research Partner of Active People, Healthy NationSM

PAPREN is the research partner of the CDC's Active People, Healthy NationSM initiative. [Join](#) Active People, Healthy NationSM and become part of a national initiative to help increase physical activity in the United States.

PAPREN is grounded in the recommendations from the Community Preventive Services Task Force

The CPSTF [recommends](#) built environment approaches that combine 1 or more interventions to improve transportation systems (activity-friendly routes) with land use and environmental design interventions (every day destinations) to increase physical activity.



PAPREN activities will position members to conduct physical activity policy-related:

- **Evaluation Research** that addresses key evidence gaps and emphasizes the demonstration of the long-term impact of policies on physical activity and related health outcomes.
- **Implementation Research** that identifies evidence-based strategies that improve practitioner capabilities to engage in policy processes and result in greater translation to practice.

PAPREN brings diverse partners together to create communities where all people can be healthy and active.

[Join](#) our collaborative Network of researchers, planners, engineers, policy makers, green space managers, advocates, public health professionals and others as we transform the best research and policies into meaningful practice!

Network-wide Activities

PAPREN Grand Rounds

4th Wednesday of every other month, 12PM ET, 11AM CT, 10AM MT, 9AM PT

- Feature high profile, innovative speakers
- Cover cutting edge topics
- Engage members in meaningful dialogue
- Identify research to practice gaps

PAPREN Network Calls

4th Wednesday of every other month, 12PM ET, 11AM CT, 10AM MT, 9AM PT

- Provide Network and Work Group updates
- Feature policy and advocacy updates from advocacy/practitioner partners
- Feature brief presentations on resources and opportunities
- Provide opportunities for resource sharing

PAPREN Work Groups

- Focus on priority topic areas related to the built environment and physical activity
- Conduct projects that address identified research to practice gaps
- Provide opportunities to participate in scientific manuscripts and presentations and practice-based products and tools
- Provide an opportunity to network and exchange information with experts from multiple sectors

Equity and Resilience

2nd Monday of the month
12-1 ET/11-12 CT/10-11 MT/9-10 PT

Parks and Greenspace

Last Monday of the month
12-1 ET/11-12 CT/10-11 MT/9-10 PT

Rural Active Living

2nd Wednesday of the month
1-2 ET/12-1 CT/11-12 MT/10-11 PT

School Wellness

2nd Tuesday of the month
2-3 ET/1-2 CT/12-1 MT/11-12 PT

Transportation Policy and Planning

2nd Tuesday of the month
1-2 ET/12-1 CT/11-12 MT/10-11 PT

Worksite

2nd Friday of the month
3-4 ET/2-3 CT/1-2 MT/12-1 PT

Structure

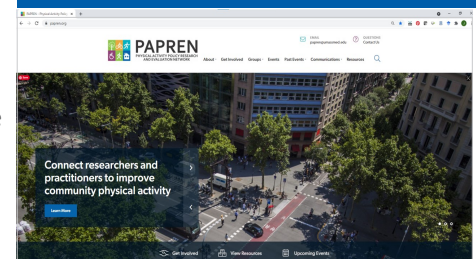
Leadership Team: University of Massachusetts Medical School, University of Illinois Chicago, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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members as of
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Communications



Papren.org

- Website
- Blog
- Membership and Listserv signup

The PAPREN Post

- Monthly newsletter
Email papren@umassmed.edu for entries for the newsletter by the last week of each month

Social Media

@PAPREN1