

## **CTSI Community Advisory Board Application/Nomination**

The Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) is made up of individuals and teams — including researchers, faculty, staff, research partners, and community members. Our mission is to advance research discoveries to improve health for all. **We believe that all people should be able to have good health and healthcare**.

Currently, differences in health outcomes exist for racial/ethnic groups, individuals living in urban and rural communities, and people with disabilities. For example, African Americans in Buffalo have a higher rate of hospitalization and premature death than whites. This is because of many environmental and social factors. The CTSI supports research as an important tool to achieve health equity.

For more information about the CTSI, visit the website www.buffalo.edu/ctsi.

Our **Community Advisory Board** was established to inform the CTSI about community priorities and offer suggestions about how we can better align research with those priorities. The Board guides us on how to build authentic community-university relationships and trust and provides us with insights into achieving health equity. Together, we work to increase the relevance and effectiveness of research.

The Board meets four times per year and consists of 12 members from Erie and Niagara counties. Our goal is to engage community voices in all activities and to disseminate our work to the broader community. **We are actively seeking new members.** 

The application/nomination form can be found <a href="here">here</a>.