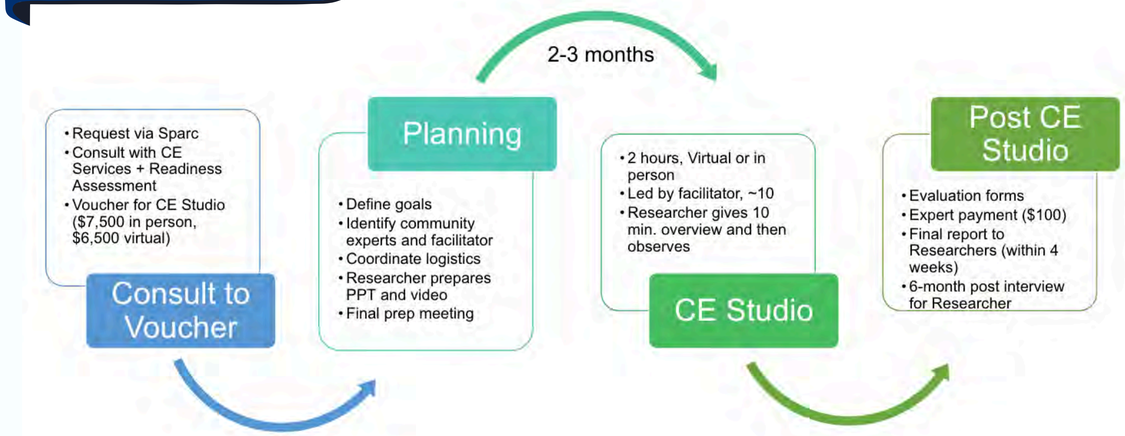
# ASSISTING WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STUDIOS

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## Background

- Community Engagement (CE) Studios provide researchers with opportunities:
- Receive feedback from community members and relevant stakeholders
- Improve research initiatives and promote community-engaged research.

## Process




## Results

- Summarized common themes identified through participant feedback.
- Identified strengths and challenges associated with CE Studio implementation.
- Made recommendations for improving CE Studio processes and participant experiences.

## Population (s) Served

- Researchers seeking community input and community members.

- Living with COPD, Adults with Epilepsy, Providers for Epilepsy, Sickle Cell Disease, Spinal Cord Injury, Maternal Health and Lead Exposure (MOCK) (6)

## Deliverables

- Presenting at Swetland Center
- Summary Report Materials (6)
- Helped administer CE Studios

## Activities

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**CE Studio Summary & Recommendations**

**Project: Sickle Cell Disease Community Engagement Studio**

**CE Study Logistics: August 3, 2026 || 4:00-6:00PM || MidTown Collaboration Center**

**Report Date: 08/20/2026**

**Overview**

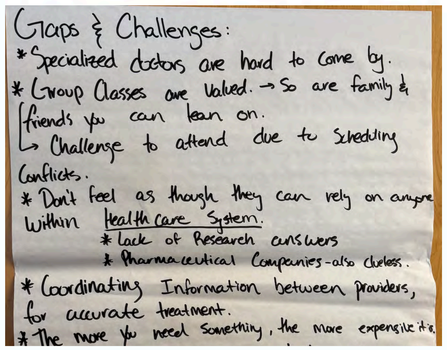
On August 3, 2026, the Clinical and Translational Science Collaborative (CTSC) of Northern Ohio held a Community Engagement (CE) Studio to solicit community expert feedback to help guide the development of screening programs for Sickle Cell testing across Northeast Ohio. The CE Studio was held in-person at the MidTown Collaboration Center from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

The CE Studio consisted of a brief presentation by researchers followed by facilitated discussion among participants. Participants shared lived experiences and recommendations related to living with or caring for someone with Sickle Cell Disease and/or Diabetes, screening for Sickle Cell Disease and Diabetes, health concerns

Adults for Epilepsy CE Studio Coding 7.28.2025

**Potential Themes:**

1. **Navigating Healthcare and Care Coordination**
2. **Maintaining Independence and Quality of Life**
3. **Education, Peer Support and Community Resources**
4. **Physical and Psychosocial Impacts of Aging with Epilepsy**




## Objectives

- Apply principles of community engagement and public health to support the planning and implementation of CE Studios.
- Analyze participant feedback and evaluation data to identify common themes and areas for improvement.
- Evaluate CE Studio processes and experiences to identify opportunities for strengthening community engagement practices.

## Methodology

- Observed and participated in CE Studio planning and implementation.
- Cold calls and email recruiting through RedCap database.
- Reviewed and organizated participant feedback and evaluation responses.
- Identified recurring themes, strengths, and opportunities for improvement.

## Lesson Learned and Implications

- Value of communication
- Impact of adapting engagement strategies
- Importance of participant feedback within research community
- Potential for improvement of Facilitator Training (in progress

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