Community-Based Participatory Research in Prisons and Jails
Hello!

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The Challenge

Researchers want to study incarcerated students and incarcerated students want to conduct research.
Nothing about us without us
CBPR vs. PAR

- Defining the community by both population and indirect stakeholders.
- Not necessarily about action quite yet.
- Additional research methods (observation)
Incarceration & IRB:

Facilities must approve research
Covert or unapproved research is likely to cause incarcerated research subjects serious harms.

Facilities don’t approve research
In the name of “protecting” incarcerated individuals, facilities can and do deny access to researchers.

All researchers must be CITI trained
To conduct human subjects research, students must do CITI training, which can only be “formally” taken online
Tablets v. In-Person

What are the effects of tablet-based higher education in prisons and jails compared to in-person instruction?
Single sex vs. Co-ed Education in Prison

What are advantages and disadvantages of running co-ed courses in prison?
Young Men Emerging

Does the youth unit experiment at the DC Jail improve employment and recidivism outcomes?
Resources:

Community Based Participatory Research by Karen Hacker

YPAR Hub by the University of California Berkeley
http://yparhub.berkeley.edu/

Community Toolkit by the University of Kansas
https://ctb.ku.edu/en
Thanks!

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