Our efforts to expand and integrate institutional resources to support scientific collaboration is exemplified in our plans over the next 5 years to build capacity toward an Epidemiology and Biostatistics (Epi Bio) Shared Resource Core that combines the strengths and resources of the NU-LCC Survey Methodology Core, the NU-LCC Biostatistics Core, the UI Cancer Center Biostatistics Core, the NEIU Mathematics Department, and the NEIU Center of Health. Masha Kocherginsky will be the core co-lead from NU, Zhengjia (Nelson) Chen will be the core co-lead from UIC and Beverly Gonzalez will be the core co-lead from NEIU.
Incubator and Catalyst Program

Full Project 1 - WeCanManage: An mHealth self-management tool to empower survivors with disabilities due to long-term effects of cancer and its treatment. 2020-2023

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Full Project 2 - SHARED: Supporting High Risk African American Men in Research, Engagement & Decision Making 2020-2023

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Pilot Project - Microbiome: Social Correlates of Variation in Intestinal and Oral Microbiome Among Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Patients: A Geographic Exploration in the City of Chicago 2020-2022

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**Co-Chairs.** Each Co-Chair is assigned to either the CEC, P&E or R&E Cores and all three Co-Chairs will be available to advise the Administrative Core, as needed.

**Research Liaisons.** Two IAC members per site will be available for guidance of the grant program. Each individual (termed “Research Liaison”) will be assigned to one pilot project (depending on the number of active projects), will join one touch-base call per year, and will receive quarterly reports that will allow him/her to engage in direct pilot project touch points and better gauge accomplishments.

**Leadership Liaisons.** The third IAC member per site will serve as a “leadership liaison” for ChicagoCHEC. These individuals will be in leadership roles at their respective Universities and will serve as a ChicagoCHEC ambassador with Institutional leadership.
The Community Steering Committee (CSC), composed of key community leaders across various sectors, guides and supports ChicagoCHEC’s strategic efforts to foster meaningful partnerships across Chicago communities. The main responsibilities of the CSC are: 1) Serve as a liaison between ChicagoCHEC and Chicago’s communities most impacted by cancer, 2) Collaborate closely with ChicagoCHEC in the development and implementation of a community needs assessment, 3) Provide guidance to ChicagoCHEC researchers in the recruitment to enhance the appropriateness of their recruitment processes, data collection procedures, and intervention delivery, 4) Work closely with ChicagoCHEC team to guide the design of our tailored education and outreach activities, and 5) Advise ChicagoCHEC investigators regarding the dissemination of ChicagoCHEC research findings and products.