



# ILLINOIS

## Family Resiliency Center

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### **Collaboratory: FRC's Superpower for Addressing Wicked Problems**

The Family Resiliency Center is a transdisciplinary participatory research center focused on research-policy-practice translation, education, engagement, and outreach. Our mission is to wrap-around wicked public health and social justice problems, ultimately leveraging strengths towards mitigating harm, preventing suffering, and optimizing the lives of families, children, youth, and communities. Our vision is to "***Make Thriving the Norm.***" ***With and by***, our **Collaboratory** of academic, community, provider, and student partners – all of whom are committed to FRAME research solutions (see below) – we address **wicked problems**.

Taking a holistic and participatory approach, FRC balances scientific rigor with contextual sensitivity in designing, conducting, and **translating research into actionable and impactful practices and policies that are responsive to emergent local, regional, and national public health and social justice needs, priorities, and wicked problems to improve lives.**

You can join the Collaboratory as an Affiliate or Partner. This two-tiered approach allows for collaborators to choose an engagement level best aligned with their needs and resources. Discover below the benefits and opportunities of working with FRC.

<b>Benefits</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
Relationship-building and networking among collaborators	Contribute to the FRC outreach, translation, and dissemination activities such as podcasts, papers, building blocks of resilience briefs
Combined communication resources into one for dissemination	Serve as a reviewer for seed-funding grant proposals
Research bootcamp for graduate students, postdocs, and organization team members	Assist developing FRC networks and reach through introductions, shared memberships, and invited talks
Early-bird registration for FRC events such as seminars, workshops, trainings, and other professional development opportunities	Be an ambassador for FRC (e.g., being an active advocate for FRC activities and priorities)
Meeting space availability	Provide seminar or guest presentation (e.g., brownbag, colloquium, seminar)
Access to students receiving training and supervision in research methods classes and other experiential learning courses offered by FRC team members, affiliates, and partners	Co-creating and co-leading projects within FRC <b>FRAME</b> research hubs: <b>F</b> amily, child, youth, and community health; <b>R</b> isk, resilience, and thriving; <b>A</b> rousal and regulation; <b>M</b> indfulness and well-being; and <b>E</b> vidence

Are you interested in working with FRC as a Partner or Affiliate member? Learn more and sign up at [go.aces.illinois.edu/collaboratory](https://go.aces.illinois.edu/collaboratory). Email us at [familyresiliency@illinois.edu](mailto:familyresiliency@illinois.edu) if you have questions.