Evidence-Based Health Policy Project to host first in Research Roundtable Series on Social Determinants of Health

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Madison – The Evidence-Based Health Policy Project (EBHPP) will host the first briefing in a series on the social determinants of health. The first briefing will focus on the impact of family and social support on health outcomes. The event will be held at the Wisconsin State Capitol, Room 411-South, on **November 14**th, **from 11:00am-12:15pm**. Program registration for the general public has been capped due to high interest – registartion for the program's waitlist <u>is available here.</u>

The event, *The Other Half of Health: An Introduction to Social Determinants (Part I: Family and Social Support),* will feature two presentations from UW faculty on ongoing research and evidence-based programming across the state:

- Lawrence Berger, Director of the Institute for Research on Poverty and Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professor of the UW–Madison School of Social Work.
- Gina Green-Harris, Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Health
 Partnerships, Director of the Lifcourse Imitative for Healthy Families, and Director of
 Milwaukee Regional Office of the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute at the UW School of
 Medicine and Public Health

This series, which will deal with other social determinants of health such as education, employment, and community safety, is presented in partnership with the Institute for Research on Poverty at UW–Madison. The Institute advances understanding of the causes and consequences of U.S. poverty and inequality, and of and policies and programs to improve their well-being and increase self-sufficiency of low-income individuals and families.

The EBHPP is a partnership of the <u>UW Population Health Institute</u>, the <u>La Follette School of Public Affairs</u>, and the <u>Wisconsin Legislative Council</u>. The non-partisan project bridges medicine and health policy, as well as research and practice, to serve the Wisconsin Legislature and other decision-makers. Originally formed in 2002, the EBHPP aims to connect localized health research with key stakeholders in Wisconsin, with the goal of encouraging an evidence-informed approach to policy-making.

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