Title:

Building Educational Communities: STEP UP and PhysTEC Collaboration

## Abstract:

How do we unite educators in communities committed to advancing physics? In 2022, PhysTEC institutions from New York City, Chicago, and Los Angeles partnered with the STEP UP program to increase the number of women and other underrepresented groups pursuing physics degrees. Through a Moore Foundation Grant, these institutions worked to bridge the gap between secondary and post-secondary physics educators. We will discuss efforts made toward community-building, recruiting strategies, and future goals of this collaboration.