ACTION/REMINDER: The AY 12/13 Trainee Requests are due to your DEO and Laurie Traylor by September 28th!

Note: The deadline for the Letter of Intent for the Mental Health Education Expansion Initiative is October 10th.

The CoEPCE Performance Improvement Workgroup held a dynamic first face to face meeting September 19-21st in Portland, Oregon. Dr. Judith Bowen and Dr. Brook Watts co-facilitated the meeting with the support of Loren Carpenter. The meeting included engaged CoE staff and leadership with representation from each of the five Centers of Excellence including clinician partners from the local PACT programs and staff from Office of Academic Affiliations. The meeting commenced with an exercise to help support new partnerships and to help attendees internalize the purpose of Performance Improvement. PDSA cycles (Plan, Do, Study, Act) and associated quality tools were reviewed and recommended to support the integrity of PI activities. Sites had an opportunity to review existing facility data to include Primary Care Panels and PACT Compass Measures, the VA-Thomson Reuters Value Model used to benchmark VA Medical Centers on a system of quality and efficiency and the VA’s Hospital Compare Program that reports VA healthcare goals as well as success and improvement opportunities through summarizing outcomes, identifying achievements in quality and safety, comparing results and tracking progress. System Redesign strategies and VA TAMMCS improvement framework and VA Performance Measures were addressed.

There was also a wonderful opportunity to review Portland’s Diabetes registry developed under Judy McConnachie and a Care Management tool. Each of the sites had an opportunity to share specific PI activities and to discuss strategies and engagement of the associated trainee population in these activities.

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VA Tools:
VA’s Health Economic Resource Center (HERC) Courses: View
See VA Learning University (TMS) view these courses and more...
- Applied Principles of Quality Improvement
- Business Performance and Financial Measures in Six Sigma
- Change and Innovation One: Overview and Tools
- DSS and Clinical Performance Improvement
- Forming Project Teams for Six Sigma
- Leading Change Initiatives
- Managing Change: Sustaining Organizational Change
- Managing Six Sigma Team Performance

Partner Organization Tools:
- Institute for Healthcare Improvement Open School for Health Professionals View
- AHRQ View
- Institute of Medicine View
Abstracts Due
Collaborating Across Borders (CAB IV): Transformative Change from Classroom to Practice
Deadline for Abstracts, October 26, 2012. Details

Upcoming Conferences/Training 2012

September
National Academies of Practice: Patient Centered Care: Working Together in an Interprofessional World Details.
Sep 14-15, Cleveland, Oh

AHRQ 2012 Annual Conference. Details

October
Hospitals and Communities Moving Forward With Patient and Family Centered Care: An Intensive Training Seminar- Partnerships in Quality and Safety. Details Institute for Patient and Family Centered Care.
Oct 1-4, Ann Arbor, MI


IPEC Institute (AAC)). Interprofessional Education Collaborative Details
Oct 15-17, Atlanta, GA


NCQA: Facilitating PCMH Recognition.
Oct 22-23, Chicago
NCQA: PCMH Best Practices and Lessons Learned
Oct 24 Chicago

The Journey to a PCMH: Choose your Path. Details. Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative.
Oct 25, Chicago, IL.

November
American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) Annual Meeting. Details.
Nov 2-7, San Francisco

December
Institute of Medicine. Core Metrics for Better Care, Lower Costs and Better Health Details
Dec 5-6 , Irvine.

24th Annual National Forum on Quality Improvement in Healthcare
Dec 9-12, Orlando

Upcoming Conferences/Training 2013

Applying the Science of Psychology in Academic Health Centers: Implications for Practice, Teaching, Research and Policy. Details. Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers
Jan 31- Feb 1, Nashville, Tn.
Collaborating Across Borders IV. Details.
June 12-13 2013, Vancouver.

Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting - March 20-23 Details