HAPPY NURSES WEEK! Thank you for everything you do!

Actions:

REMINDER: Evaluation and Performance Improvement Workgroup Liaison names are due COB May 11, 2012 to Kimberly Uhl.

Reminder: The All Site Call will be held on May 16th at 12-1:30pm ET. The call will focus on trainee recruitment and strategies to support recruitment. Each of your sites is expanding the number of trainees for the upcoming academic year. Judy Bowen and Kathy Rugen will lead the discussion. Please think about the following questions:

1) How successful have you been in recruiting the desired number of trainees in each profession?
2) What strategies did you use?
3) What strategies seem to have worked the best?
4) What strategies are you likely to abandon and why?
5) Do the strategies differ by profession?
6) If so, what are the differences?

Publications and other Media

The Ongoing Quality Improvement Journey: Next Stop, High Reliability (May 2012). Health Affairs
Living Well with Chronic Illness: A Call for Public Health Action. Institute of Medicine Access pdf

Tools You Can Use!

PACT Implementation Tools
The PACT 2012 Implementation Roadmap

VA Clinical Practice Guidelines
Register for VA/DOD Clinical Practice Guidelines News

Current Guidelines include:

Chronic Disease in Primary Care: Asthma, Chronic Heart Failure (CHF), Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD), Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Diabetes Mellitus (DM) New, Dyslipidemia (LIPIDS), Hypertension (HTN), Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD), Obesity and Overweight (OBE), Tobacco Use (MTU)

Mental Health: Bipolar Disorder in Adults (BD), Major Depressive Disorder (MDD), Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) New, Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

Military Related: Biological, Radiation, Chemical, and Blast/Explosion Induced Illnesses, Medically Unexplained Symptoms (MUS), Post-Deployment Health (PDH)

Pain: Opioid Therapy (OT) for Chronic Pain, Lower Back Pain (LBP), Post-Operative Pain (POP)

Rehabilitation: Concussion-mTBI, Lower Limb Amputation, Stroke Rehabilitation New

Women’s Health: Pregnancy
News You Can Use

VA’s Telemental Health Efficacy Surpasses Face-to-Face Encounters. (May) Clinical Psychiatry News


Empowerments Price Tag: Shared Decision-Making May be Costly (May 2012) Family Practice News

Third-year theory: Making rotations patient-centered and restoring empathy (May) AMA MedEd

IOM: Primary care docs, public health pros should unite to improve health (May) AMA MedEd

Med school on the fast track: A 3-year degree American Medical news

The Grand-AIDE: Grand Idea for Primary Care or Band-Aid? Medscape

Genetic Literacy Poor in Primary Care – Canadian Medical Association

Upcoming Conferences

2012 Interprofessional Education Institute: Interprofessional Education Collaborative - May 21-23, 2012 Hyatt Dulles - American Association of Medical Colleges

2012 Integrating Quality Meeting: Collaborating for Care - Association of American Medical Colleges June 7-8, Chicago

The VA 2012 HSR&D/QUERI National Conference will be held from July 16-19 at the Gaylord National Hotel in the Washington DC area.

AHRQ 2012 Annual Conference will be held September 9-12, 2012 in Rockville, MD

Applying the Science of Psychology in Academic Health Centers: Implications for Practice, Teaching, Research and Policy Jan 31- Feb 1, 2013, Nashville - Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers