**Actions:** None this week!

**Update…The proposal review process is underway. We hope to have a response to you in the upcoming week.**

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**Centers of Excellence Primary Care Education to present Workshop at AAIM**

The CoE sites received word this week that the workshop proposal submitted for Academic Internal Medicine Week 2012 has been accepted! The workshop is titled *Interprofessional Communication and Collaboration—Lessons from Centers of Excellence in Primary Care Education* and will be presented at the Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine, Fall Meeting on Saturday, October 13 in Phoenix. The objectives for this workshop include 1) describing curricular innovations in the interpersonal and communication skills competency and identify ways to incorporate similar activities into their own residency programs; 2) Discussing challenges in establishing true interprofessional teams in the ambulatory setting and ways to overcome them; and 3) Discussing selected assessment instruments for the interpersonal and communication skills competency including multisource evaluation.

**Nursing Science Translational Research Seminar Series**

*Brenda K. Zierler, PhD, RN, FAAN*, Professor of Nursing, University of Washington spoke at UC Irvine this week at a Nursing Science Translational Research Seminar Series sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the UC Irvine Institute for Clinical Translation. Dr. Zierler addressed UCI students and others about her research on educational transformation in relation to quality and safety through communication and collaboration. Brenda is co-director (with Dr. Nancy Murphy, Pharmacist, Associate Dean of the School of Pharmacy) at the **Center for Health Sciences Interprofessional Education, Practice and Research**. Dr. Zierler recognized the work of the **VA Centers of Excellence Primary Care Education (CoEPCE)** in Seattle co-directed by Joyce Wipf and Laurie Angelo and addressed her Macy Foundation Grant on **Faculty Development in IP Team Based Care** and **Improving Communication Among Healthcare Teams**. She also shared some of her work in using a simulation-based, team training program to “improve collaborative interprofessional communication both within teams and with patients”. You can read more about Brenda and other’s work at the Center’s website. Check out the **Educator’s Toolkit** housing tools for evaluation, a scenario building library for simulation activities and the simulation team training faculty toolkit. The center also houses a nice library of IPE resources, references and recommended publications.

**Tools You Can Use!**

**Office of Primary Care**

May 22-24

Transformational Integrated Coaches Academy **Brochure**.

**VA Patient Resources:** National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.

**Google Docs:** How To Use The New Research Tool in Google Docs.
Tools You Can Use! Continued...

**MedEd Resources**

Interdisciplinary Curriculum Simulation Cases for Teaching Leadership and Communication to Medical Rapid Response Teams. April 2012. [MedEd](#).


Responding to Patients’ Questions about Complementary, Alternative, and Integrative Medicine April 2012 [MedEd](#).

**AHRQ Podcast** [Health IT and Home Health Care](#). Audio Transcript. May 2012.

**VA HSR&D Seminars**

June 4

Using VA Corporate Data Warehouse to Assess Vitals [Register](#).

June 5

Demonstration of Standard Access and Usage of the VINCI Workspace [Register](#).

June 14

Sustainability of Evidence-Based Practices: Concepts, Methods and Findings. [Register](#).

June 28

Primary Care Teamlet Formation and Evolution: Implications for Women's Health. [Register](#).

**News You Can Use**

**National Campaign Announced by American Academy of Nurse Practitioners**. May 2012.

**Self Management Support Should Be A Routine Part of Primary Care**. May 2012. Sacramento Bee PR Newswire.

**ACC Urges Shift to Patient Centered Care**. May 2012. Family Practice News.


**Task Force Recommends Team-Based Care for Improving Blood Pressure Control**. May 2012. Wall Street Journal.


**A Social Compact for Advancing Team Based High Value Healthcare**. May 2012. Health Affairs Blog.

**Articles**

Consistency of Patient Preferences about Secure Internet Based Patient Communications Portal: Contemplating, Enrolling and Using. April 2012. [Pubmed](#).


**Improving Patient Care: Comparison of Quality of Care for Patients in the Veterans Health Administration and Patients in a National Sample**. Dec 2004. Annals of Internal Medicine.
Upcoming Conferences 2012

May
2012 Interprofessional Education Institute: Interprofessional Education Collaborative.  
Details  May 21-23, 2012, Herndon, VA.  AAMC.

June
2012 Integrating Quality Meeting: Collaborating for Care.  Details.  
June 7-8, Chicago, IL.  AAMC.

The 12th Annual International Nursing Simulation/Learning Conference.  Details  
June 20-23, San Antonio Texas.  International Nursing Association and University of Texas.

July
The VA 2012 HSR&D/QUERI National Conference.  Details  
July 16-19, Washington DC.  Department of Veterans Affairs.

September
AHRQ 2012 Annual Conference.  Details  
September 9-12, Rockville, MD.

October
All Together Better Health Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Practice.  Details  

Upcoming Conferences 2013

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

Collaborating Across Borders IV. No details yet!  
Summer 2013, Vancouver.