**Actions:** The CoEPCE Program Manager’s Meeting will be held on July 19, 2012 in Long Beach, California. Program Managers should return the ‘Fax Back’ form to Kimberly Uhl by July 6, 2012.

**2012 PATIENT ALIGNED CARE TEAM (PACT) PERSONNEL SURVEY AVAILABLE**

In the case you have not seen or had time to complete the recent Primary Care Survey, the link is listed below. This is an important survey it has had a relatively low response rate to date. Your assistance in taking and/or circulating the survey will help VA guide the development of PACT. This is a good opportunity for you and your colleagues to provide feedback.

You will find the survey link at: [http://vaww.va.gov/HAIG/PACT/PACT_Employee.asp](http://vaww.va.gov/HAIG/PACT/PACT_Employee.asp)

Survey Deadline: June 22

**HOTSPOTS!**

San Francisco CoE Faculty Christina Kim, NP and Eric Hung, MD are highlighted in the San Francisco VAMC Veteran Updates Newsletter focusing on one of a kind VA/Veterans Justice Outreach as part of the national homeless initiative. You can read more about their work and this program at SFVAMC Veteran Updates in the June 2012 Issue!

Coordinating Center for Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Practice!

The Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, and The John A. Hartford Foundation are working with US Health Resources and Services Administration. (See the Macy Press Release). HRSA Announces and is currently accepting proposals from academic sites around the United States that are interested in hosting the center. For more information see Grants.gov.

New Tools Announced from the PACT Website:

- **Tool 15 - Huddle Video**
  Popular video depicting the earmarks of a successful huddle.

- **Tool 30 - PACT Patient Education Brochures**
  Several examples of PACT Patient Brochures to orient patients to the PACT model and their PACT team members.

- **Tool 31 – PACT Clinician Competency Assessments**
  Competency self-assessment worksheets for nurses, LPNs, and health technicians/clerical associates to complete.

- **Tool 32 – The Clinical Associate’s Role in PACT**
  Presentation that clarifies the important role of clinical associates as active and invested members of a PACT team.

- **Tool 33 – Helpful Tips for Employees and Providers new to Primary Care**
  Orients new employees and providers to Primary Care.

- **Tool 34 – Tips for Improving Communication with your Primary Care Team**
  Brief handout given to patients before an appointment that includes tips for communicating with their primary care team.

VA’s Talent Management System Announces Free Courses by Swank Healthcare:

Pharmacotherapeutic Nursing Contact Hour Courses Available on the TMS. View courses here.

Information on other CE/CME Courses available here.

PowerPoint from the Nursing Economic Summit is Now Located on the SharePoint!
**Tools You Can Use!**

VA's Management Review Service – New Website – OIG CAP and CBOC Assessment Guides  
Patient Centered Medical Home Resource Center AHRO

**News You Can Use!**

How to End the Age of Inattention: Could a Yale Program for Doctors Help Everyone Pick up on the Details? View. Wall Street Journal  
Use of Patient Centered Medical Home Features Not Related to Patient’s Experience of Care. View. Health Behavior News Service

**Articles of Interest**


**Call for Papers**

Call for abstracts open for national Veteran education and Research conference November 13, 2012 Tampa Fl. The University of South Florida College of Nursing is now accepting abstract submissions for the JOINING FORCES TO RESTORE LIVES: Nursing Education and Research in Veterans Health conference, November 13, 2012 at the USF Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation (CAMLs) in Tampa, FL.  
Call for Papers for Health Services Research Special Issue on Mixed Methods in Healthcare Delivery Systems Research Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Deadline October 15

Patient Centered Care Evaluation Centers: Call for Concept Papers due June 8

**Funding Opportunities Course:** How PCORI hopes to help address challenges in bringing the patient’s voice of comparative effectiveness research. Academy Health, Advancing Research, Policy and Practice

**Upcoming Conferences and Training 2012**

**May**


**June**

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

Upcoming Conferences 2012 continued

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

The 9th Annual Qualitative Research Seminar Details
July 30-August 3, 2012, Chapel Hill NC

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.