



member newsletter

Happy Fall NAPCRGers!

It has been a busy summer for NAPCRG! It's hard to believe that we will all be gathering together in just 9 weeks for the Annual Meeting. We have lots of activities happening around NAPCRG, below are some of the highlights:

Membership Renewal Time

The 2015-2016 membership year is coming to a close, and your membership will expire on September 30. Member dues can be paid online for the 2016-2017 membership year. Don't forget to renew now so that you don't miss out on important Annual Meeting information after September 30. Renew today!

2016 Annual Meeting Planning

Online registration for the annual meeting is open, the early bird deadline is October 12. Take a look at this year's conference brochure to learn more about the meeting. You'll want to make your <u>hotel and travel</u> arrangements soon. Also, don't forget to make sure your passport is current, in case you need it to travel to the Annual Meeting.

The program committee has some great preconference programming planned to kick off your meeting experience. If you are interested in getting involved in the Patient and Clinician Program (PaCE) Preconference Program this is your chance. The PaCE program is opening registration up to just 10 attendees this year. The Committee on Advancing the Science of Family Medicine has also put together an expanded preconference based on last year's highly successful program on Research Methods.

There is a number of other great preconference too, learn more about all of the <u>preconference</u> <u>workshops</u>. Make sure you register for one of the preconference workshops before they sell out. <u>Register today!</u>

Trainee Program Fundraising Campaign

Last Fall the NAPCRG Board of Directors approved our new <u>Trainee Program</u>. This exciting program will provide so many great benefits for NAPCRG medical students, residents and fellows who will take part beginning this fall.

To further Dr. Maurice Wood's (our late-founder) legacy, the NAPCRG Trainee Program was created to meet the needs of the organization's next generation. This program is focused on

providing opportunities for trainees to engage and be nurtured in primary care research to enable them to achieve their potential as the healthcare leaders of tomorrow. The program's five-point action plan fosters the involvement and intellectual cultivation of current trainee members, while aiming to expand our growing membership base.

Donate today and help ensure the success of this program and our next generation!

2016 PBRN Conference

If you missed out on the PBRN Conference this year, you can view the <u>plenary presentation</u> <u>videos</u> on the NAPCRG website. Be sure to save the date on your calendars for next year's conference, June 22-23, 2017 in Bethesda, Maryland. The theme of the conference will be "*Taking practice transformation to scale with quality improvement.*" We hope to see you there next year!

There are so many exciting things happening at NAPCRG right now, so be sure to take note of the upcoming events and deadlines and continue reading for more details on all of these important events and projects.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

September 28 - CASFM Cost Analysis webinar

September 30 - Your membership expires, renew today!

October 12 - Annual meeting early bird registration deadline

November 1 - Hotel Reservations Cutoff

November 12-16 - Annual Meeting



NAPCRG Pearls

The 2015 NAPCRG Pearls are now available on the NAPCRG website. The



NAPCRG Pearls are the top research studies presented at the Annual Meeting that will impact clinical practice. Each month we will highlight one of the Pearls in the newsletter. September's Pearl looks at the impact of antidepressant efficacy of exercise in the real clinical world, among elderly patients suffering from major depression.

Physical Exercise for Late Life Depression: Tailored Treatments

Between Psychiatry and Primary Care

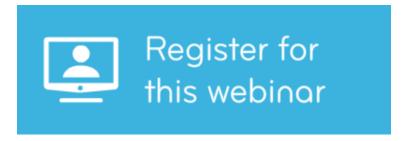
by Klea Bertakis, MD, MPH; Mario Amore; Fabrizio Asioli; Luigi Bagnoli; Marco Menchetti; Martino Murri; Micro Neri; Francesca Neviani; Matteo Siena; Guilio Toni; Ferdinando Tripi; Stamatula Zanetidou; Donato Zocchi





This seminar will provide an introduction to the analysis of cost-effectiveness data. The emphasis will be on understanding important concepts with worked examples. The seminar is intended for people who have some understanding of core statistical concepts. I will start by describing the possible types of cost-effectiveness data that may be collected and the relative merits and challenges of each approach, including directly observed data from trials or from

observational data and simulated data from modeling. Next, I will discuss how to calculate the incremental cost-effectiveness ratio and how to estimate its associated uncertainty using both numeric and graphical approaches. The seminar will end with a discussion of how an understanding of this uncertainty is useful for decision making with a brief introduction to value of information analysis.





Mixed Methods Research Training Program for the Health Sciences

The Mixed Methods Research Training
Program for the Health Sciences is funded by
the National Institutes of Health through the
Office of Behavioral and Social Science
Research (OBSSR), and is the only program of
its kind in the United States.



The program fulfills a national need for training in mixed methods and is a natural next step following the publication of the OBSSR "Best Practices for Mixed Methods Research in the Health Sciences.".

Mixed methods research is defined as the collection, analysis, and integration of both quantitative (e.g., RCT outcome) data and qualitative (e.g., observations, interviews) data to provide a more comprehensive understanding of a research problem than might be obtained through quantitative or qualitative research alone. Typical applications of mixed methods in the health sciences involve adding qualitative interviews to follow up on the outcomes of intervention trials, gathering both quantitative and qualitative data to assess patient reactions to a program implemented in a community health setting, or using qualitative data to explain the mechanism of a study correlating behavioral and social factors to specific health outcomes.

An increase in proposals submitted to NIH using mixed methods reflects the growing awareness of the importance of this approach in addressing population and behavioral health.

Applications for the 2017 cohort are now beginning accepted. The deadline for applications to be received is Friday, December 16, 2016. The retreat is planned for June 26-28, 2017 in Baltimore, Maryland. <u>Learn more!</u>

CERA Call for Proposals for Research Questions

CERA, the CAFM Educational Research Alliance is now accepting proposals for the next survey!

Deadline: October 7, 2017



Call for Proposals for Research Questions for CERA Surveys

CERA, the CAFM Educational Research Alliance, is now accepting proposals for research questions for its annual survey of program directors. The survey will be conducted in early 2017.

The survey will collect demographic information in addition to submitted questions. Priority will be given to proposals that are likely to result in high-quality, peer-reviewed publications.

You must be a member of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors, Association of Departments of Family Medicine and/or North American Primary Care Research Group to submit a proposal. Once projects have been approved, an experienced mentor will join each project team to help refine questions, facilitate analysis, and prepare and submit manuscripts. Because of their extensive involvement, mentors should be included as authors on published papers/presentations.

Program Directors Survey proposals are due October 7. Learn more!





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