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Announcements/ Reminders

2007 National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report

This new report tracks the healthcare system through quality measures and summarizes healthcare quality and access among various racial, ethnic, and income groups and other populations.

<http://www.ahrq.gov/qual/qdr07.htm>

Post-CLAS Assessment

This is a reminder that deliverable #64: Report of Results of the Post-CLAS Assessment is due to be uploaded to the document storage section in PARTner by Monday, March 31, 2008. Please reference the following SDPS Memos for additional information:

http://qionet.sdps.org/sdps_memos/sdps_memos_2006/06033po.htm

http://qionet.sdps.org/sdps_memos/sdps_memos_2007/07370gn.htm

SDPS Memos

SDPS MEMO NBR:08-066-GN

QIOSynergy.org Website Launch

http://qionet.sdps.org/sdps_memos/sdps_memos_2008/08066gn.pdf

MedQIC

Please check <http://www.medqic.org> regularly as the UQIOSC continues to upload relevant tools, literature and links on a weekly basis.

The following items have been posted to MedQIC:

Literature: The Public Health Approach to Eliminating Disparities in Health.

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602405046&pagename=Medqic/MQLiterature/LiteratureTemplate&c=MQLiterature>

Literature: Barriers to achieving optimal glycemic control in a multi-ethnic society: a US focus.

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602404818&pagename=Medqic/MQLiterature/LiteratureTemplate&c=MQLiterature>

News: HHS, National Business Group on Health Announce Project To Address Racial, Ethnic Disparities in Health Care

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1203549695997&pagename=Medqic/MQNews/NewsFeatureTemplate&c=MQNews>

News: Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved Publishes Black History Month Issue

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1203549696694&pagename=Medqic/MQNews/NewsFeatureTemplate&c=MQNews>

News: Grants Awarded To Study Cancer Care Access Among Asians, Improve Diabetes Care Among Minorities; Fashion Show Aims To Raise Cardiac Health Awareness

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602405127&pagename=Medqic/MQNews/NewsFeatureTemplate&c=MQNews>

Presentation: Cultural Competency: Making It Real. Joseph R. Betancourt, M.D., M.P.H.

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602397822&pagename=Medqic/MQPresentations/PresentationTemplate&c=MQPresentations>

Presentation: Pay-For-Performance, Public Reporting and Racial Disparities How are programs being designed? Alyna T. Chien MD MS

<http://www.medqic.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602397912&pagename=Medqic/MQPresentations/PresentationTemplate&c=MQPresentations>

MedQIC SURVEY

The survey focuses on collaboration tools and takes five minutes to complete. It's only available through March 27, 2008

www.medqic.org

Underserved CoP

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Underserved CoP Call on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. CT. The topic will be "Key Partners in Diabetes Education". Ms. Amparo Gonzalez, RN, BSN, CDE is the President of the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE). The call information is 1.800.369.1540, with a pass code of 95562#.

National Call

The UQIOSC wants to thank the AL QIO for the referral of Amelia de los Reyes, RN, MSN, and Jacqueline Thomas, MSN, CRNP, CDE as speakers on the National Conference Call on March 5, 2008. The topic of the call was "Transitioning from Cultural Competency to Diabetes Self-Management."

The audio file will be posted at QSource.org one week after the call.

<http://www.qsource.org/uqiosc/tele.htm>

Calendar of Events and Conferences

Commission to End Health Care Disparities Spring Meeting

April 15 – 16, 2008

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/18285.html>

National Rural Health Association

May 7-10, 2008

New Orleans, LA

http://www.nrharural.org/conferences/pdf/NewOrl.AnnConf_rev3.pdf

2008 Diabetes and Obesity Disparities in Healthcare Systems Conference

June 30 – July 1, 2008

Bethesda, Maryland

<http://www3.niddk.nih.gov/fund/other/healthcaredisparities2008/>

Articles/Resources

Weblink: Fighting Chronic Disease: Building A Consensus Platform for Health Care Reform. This event features a panel of experts discussing the role of chronic disease prevention and management in the next president's health care agenda.

<http://www.kaisernetwork.org/fe.cfm?id=8108>

Weblink: Hispanics Have Higher Levels on Test That Measures Blood Sugar Control, Study Finds

http://www.kaisernetwork.org/daily_reports/rep_index.cfm?DR_ID=50472

Weblink: Churches Participate in Diabetes, Weight Events; Washington State Groups Receive Grants To Support Breast Cancer Programs for Minority Women

http://www.kaisernetwork.org/daily_reports/rep_index.cfm?DR_ID=50571

Weblink: JAMA Commentary Discusses Racial Disparities

http://www.kaisernetwork.org/daily_reports/rep_index.cfm?DR_ID=50519

Webcast A new documentary that explores the challenges and frustrations faced by uninsured Americans.

http://www.kaisernetwork.org/health_cast/hcast_index.cfm?display=detail&hc=2522

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