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Awards and Honors

Congratulations to
John Piette

Recipient of the Daniel Deykin Outstanding Mentor Award by the national VA HSR&D office for outstanding dedication and skill in mentoring the next generation of VA HSR&D researchers.
Vineet Chopra received IHPI’s Impact Accelerator Award for early career researchers, and Sanjay Saint received one of two IHPI Impact Accelerator Awards for senior faculty. Ken Langa and John Piette have joined the IHPI Leadership Team.

In the News

Why doctors order scans for lower back pain when they probably won’t help

Authors: Erika D. Sears, Tanner J. Caverly, Jeffrey T. Kullgren, Angie Fagerlin, Brian J. Zikmund-Fisher, Katherine Prenovost, Eve A. Kerr

UMHS Press Release and 8 other outlets
October 28, 2016
Additional News Items


Elizabeth Scruggs, Timothy C. Guetterman, Anna C. Meyer, Jamie VanArtsdalen, Michele Heisler. November 2016. For refugees seeking asylum, medical exams are in short supply. Later cited in Futurity, MedicalXpress, Health Medicinet, Newswise and EurekAlert!


Comparing catheter-associated urinary tract infection prevention programs between Veterans Affairs nursing homes and non-Veterans Affairs nursing homes


Lessons from the rise—and fall?—of VA healthcare

“...In this national cohort of federally funded VA nursing homes and community-based, non-VA nursing homes, we found key differences in their overall approaches to infection prevention, resources allocated to infection prevention, and CAUTI prevention practices...We believe that the centralized infrastructure of the VA, increased numbers and training of staff, and the use of national VA benchmarks and leadership engagement likely account for these findings.”

Occupational functioning and employment services use among VA primary care patients with posttraumatic stress disorder


“Our results suggest that there is high need for and substantial interest in VHA employment services among VHA patients with PTSD. Future work should focus on implementing employment support services for individuals with PTSD in primary care settings.”

Improving physical health in patients with chronic mental disorders: twelve-month results from a randomized controlled collaborative care trial


“Patients with chronic mental disorders and cardiovascular disease risk who [were randomly sorted into] Life Goals had improved physical health-related quality of life.”

Please contact Christine Exe with feedback on this newsletter.