UPCOMING CONFERENCES/EVENTS/WORKSHOPS

MACHE National Advisory Board Luncheon
December 10 – 12:30-2:00 – Graylyn – (Add to my Outlook calendar)

PUBLICATIONS/REPORTS

La Clínica del Pueblo: A Model of Collaboration Between a Private Media Broadcasting Corporation and an Academic Medical Center for Health Education for North Carolina Latinos
Abstract La Clínica del Pueblo, a health education collaboration between the Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity at Wake Forest University School of Medicine and Que’ Pasa Media, Inc., disseminates culturally appropriate health information to the North Carolina (NC) Latino community. (Dr. Jorge Calles, Jaimie Hunter, Sarah Langdon –Published January 21, 2009).

The Role of Culture in the Context of School-Based BMI Screening
The high prevalence of overweight and obesity is a significant public health concern in the United States. Minority populations are disproportionately affected, and the impact of obesity on minority children is especially alarming. (Dr. Bettina M. Beech)

Neighborhood Resources and Incident Diabetes
This paper from the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis showed that better neighborhood resources were associated with lower incidence of type 2 diabetes, which suggests that improving environmental features may be a viable population-level strategy for addressing this disease. This study included data from Forsyth County. (Co-Author, Dr. Alain Bertoni, Arch Intern Med. 2009 Oct 12;169(18):1698-704

Self-reported influences of hopelessness, health literacy, lifestyle action, and patient inertia on blood pressure control in a hypertensive emergency department population. (Joyner-Grantham J, Mount DL, McCorkle OD, Simmons DR, Ferrario CM, Cline DM.)

IN THE NEWS

NIH Opportunity Network to Expand Basic Behavioral and Social Sciences Research
National Institutes of Health (NIH) Director Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D., today announced the launch of the Basic Behavioral and Social Science Opportunity Network (OppNet), a trans-NIH initiative to expand the agency’s funding of basic behavioral and social sciences research (b-BSSR).

CDC County Level Estimates of Diabetes
The Data and Trends section, which includes the National Diabetes Fact Sheet and the National Diabetes Surveillance System, provides resources documenting the public health burden of diabetes and its complications in the United States. The Diabetes Indicators and Data Sources Internet Tool (DIDIT) is a user-friendly web-based tool
designed to support surveillance, epidemiology, and program evaluation activities of state diabetes control programs.

**QuickStats: Percentage of Adults Aged ≥18 Years Reported to Have Excellent or Very Good Health,* by Race† -- National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2008§.**

In response to the question, "Would you say [subject's] health in general was excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?" Health status data were obtained by asking respondents to assess their own health and that of other family members living in the same household.

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**HONORS/AWARDS**

**Dr. David Mount receives The Bell Award**

2009 Mental Health Association in Forsyth County held its 2009 Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner in October in Winston Salem. Dr. David L. Mount was awarded the Bell Award for making an impact on the mental health movement in Forsyth County.

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**GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**2010 Beeson Career Development Award RFA**

Application information is now available. This program aims to sustain and promote the research careers of clinically-trained individuals who are pursuing research careers in aging.

*January 14, 2010 (deadline) - (Add to my Outlook calendar)*

**Health Impact Project**

Grants of up to $150,000 are available for initiatives that use Health Impact Assessment (HIA) techniques to help policymakers assess proposed projects and programs in terms of their impact on health consequences and costs.

**T. Franklin Williams Scholars Program**

This is a research award program for investigators in the early years of their first faculty appointment who are interested in a geriatrics aspect of their specialty.

**Funding Opportunity: Innovative Adaption and Dissemination of AHRQ Comparative Effectiveness Research Products (iADAPT)**

AHRQ seeks R18 grant applications to adapt comparative effectiveness research (CER) products to further their impact with consumers, clinicians, and policy makers. Populations targeted for these adaptations include the elderly, those with limited English proficiency, limited education or insurance coverage, minority or immigrant status, health literacy problems, or other underserved populations who may have limited contact with the health care system or health information.

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**RESOURCES**

**Health Disparities in HR3962**

Core public health infrastructure ’ and ‘health disparities‘ are defined terms. Permits the Secretary, pending completion of the Nation Prevention and Wellness Strategy, to make judgments about how the strategy will address an issue and to act based on this judgment. (Sec. 2301 adding PHSA Sec. 3171)

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Additional information about The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity can be found on our website at [http://staging wfubmc.edu/Research/Maya-Angelou-Center-for-Health-Equity.htm](http://staging wfubmc.edu/Research/Maya-Angelou-Center-for-Health-Equity.htm). If you have an item you wish to be included please send a complete description at least two weeks in advance to Winona Gilbert (wgilbert@wfubmc.edu) with the subject line “Hotlinks.”