Welcome to the ImpleNet!

The ImpleNet newsletter will provide interested parties with information about the National Implementation Research Network (NIRN) and the science of implementation. The mission of the National Implementation Research Network is to close the gap between science and service by advancing the science and practice of implementation in relation to evidence-based programs and practices. Visit our website at http://nirn.fmhi.usf.edu

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1. Implementation Insight #1

*Purveyor Roles and Activities: Taking Programs and Practices to Scale*

As the monograph, “Implementation Research: A Synthesis of the Literature,” has been read and utilized, people have asked many questions about the purveyor role and wanted to know more about the kinds of activities and supports they might expect from a purveyor. This document hopes to begin the discussion of these issues. A “purveyor” is a group of individuals representing a program or practice who actively work to implement that practice or program with fidelity and good effect.

To continue reading this document please visit http://nirn.fmhi.usf.edu/resources/types.cfm?typeID=2

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NIRN has received many requests for information concerning the monograph as well as great feedback from a number of individuals. We welcome feedback and comments about the monograph. If you would like to contact us, please see the Contact Us section of the NIRN website and complete the form (http://nirn.fmhi.usf.edu/contactus/contactus.cfm)

The monograph has also been featured on other implementation/evidence-based practice websites including:

The North Carolina Science to Service Project
www.ncs2s.org/links_rr.shtml

Center for Innovative Practices
www.cipohio.org

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, INFO Project
http://www.infoforhealth.org/practices/processdiscanddef.shtml

*Highlights from the Change Management Conference held June 22-25 in New Mexico*

NIRN, in conjunction with NASMHPD-NRI, CMHS, and SAMHSA, co-hosted the ‘Change Management in Mental Health Systems: Key for Implementing Evidence-based Practices’ conference held June 22-23rd in Albuquerque, NM. The conference was attended by over 100 federal, state, and local professionals, as well as parents; all working to implement evidence-based practices and programs in their communities. The focus of the conference was to provide information and tools for change management as well as give
attendees opportunities to hear about successful change efforts and interact with those doing change management work in their communities.

Kathryn Power, the Director of the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), participated in the conference and set the stage for the conference with a plenary presentation delineating the importance of change in mental health transformation at the state and federal level and the role of change management as an integral part of system wide implementation of evidence-based practices and programs.

Concurrent sessions were held over the two-day conference related to funding of evidence-based practices and programs, workforce development, support of innovation, implementation frameworks, change models, cultural competence, leadership development, and evaluation. The conference provided an excellent forum for states and communities to present their progress in transforming mental health systems as well as for ongoing discussion of the issues of implementing evidence-based programs and practices in changing systems.

Selected presentations from the conference will be available on the NIRN website in August 2005.

*NIRN Website Renovation*

The NIRN website is currently being redesigned to incorporate new content and sections. The website will continue to function throughout the renovation so please keep visiting us! Look for new content (including a web-based version of the “Implementation Research: A Synthesis of the Literature” monograph) and design in August 2005.

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*Getting to Outcomes 2004*


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“"IHI is a reliable source of energy, knowledge, and support for a never-ending campaign to improve health care worldwide. The Institute helps accelerate change in health care by cultivating promising concepts for improving patient care and turning those ideas into action.”

5. Upcoming Events

American Public Health Association
133rd Annual Meeting & Exposition
‘Evidence-Based Policy and Practice’
November 5-9, 2005
New Orleans, LA
[www.apha.org/meetings](http://www.apha.org/meetings)
6. Feedback/Subscribing Information/Privacy Policy

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