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CLAHRC CP News

End of Life Care Knowledge and Practice Showcase Event

End-of-life care (EOLC) has recently been a feature of the public consciousness, but what does research have to contribute to our understanding and practice? CLAHRC-CP and University of Cambridge researchers addressed this important question in a one day event held on March 5. The research of the End-of-Life Care team was showcased and delegates were given the opportunity to be involved in generating ideas and being part of future research projects.

Dr Stephen Barclay (CLAHRC-CP EOLC theme lead) outlined the research and discussed the work that the research team has done on EOLC education. Members of the EOLC research team led the discussions on their individual research projects. A huge part of the day was the role played by the audience who had many ideas to share, and dedicated breakout sessions on PPI were held to encourage patient and public engagement in research.

Key-note addresses were provided by Professor Bee Wee (University of Oxford), Katy Harrison (End-of-Life Care facilitator for Peterborough and CLAHRC-CP fellow 2011), and Claire Henry (National End-of-Life Care Programme Lead). Professor Wee generated a terrific buzz by challenging the audience on some of the fundamental principles of current EOLC practice. Katy Harrison eloquently discussed how the research she did as part of her CLAHRC-CP fellowship is influencing EOLC education and practice locally. Lastly, Claire Henry, supported by Tony Bonser who is an EOLC activist, illustrated the progress that has been made nationally, while highlighting issues still to be addressed. The talks demonstrated how a research agenda can directly influence policy and practice.

Over 80 delegates from around the country and a broad variety of organisations attended, with representatives from local and national charities, health and social care practitioners (including hospital, hospice, ambulance and community professionals) as well as service users and interested members of the public. Feedback from the event has been excellent and several have commented since the event that they are already using this new knowledge in their daily practice. Many more have expressed an interest in being involved in future research. More information about the event can be found on the CLAHRC CP website.

A more extensive report on the event can be found on the CLAHRC-CP website: <http://www.clahrc-cp.nihr.ac.uk/research-themes-2/end-of-life-care-theme/eolc-event>

Events



Health Services Research Network Symposium 2013 3-4 June, Liverpool

This 2 day event is focussing on Improvement Science. For more information see: <http://www.nhsconfed.org/Networks/research/HealthServiceResearchNetwork/Events/Pages/Events.aspx>



CLAHRC Community e-Newsletter

The January edition can be found here: http://nhs-confed.org/oi_nhsconfed/lz.aspx?p1=0559837S4412&CC=&p=0&cID=0&cValue=1

Useful Links/Resources

The Kings Fund: Developing Supportive Design for People with Dementia

Publication by the King's Fund about environments of care that support people with dementia. For more information see: http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/sites/files/kf/field/field_publication_file/developing-supportive-design-for-people-with-dementia-kingsfund-jan13_0.pdf

Faculty World

Edition 2 of the e-magazine for NIHR Faculty members is focussing on Patient and Public Involvement. To view see: <http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/8d67aa79#/8d67aa79/1>

ERPHO newsletter

East of England Public Health Observatory (ERPHO) latest newsletter can be found here: <http://www.erpho.org.uk/Download/Public/22582/1/Erpho%20e-newsletter%20March%202013%20Final.pdf>

Joseph Rowntree Foundation report on Improving decisionmaking in the care of older people: Exploring the decision ecology

This report explores the issues of risk and trust in relation to the care of older people, focusing in particular on decision-making. For further information please visit: <http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/decision-making-care-support-full.pdf>

Picker Institute Europe - Shared Decision Making Project

NHS East Midlands commissioned Picker Institute Europe to design and deliver a shared decision-making project. For more information see: http://www.pickereurope.org/assets/content/pdf/Project_Reports/NHS%20East%20Midlands%20SDM%20-%20Final%20public%2012_10_12_forweb.pdf

Poor Mental Health Leads to Unhealthy Behaviors Among Low-Income Adults

ScienceDaily reports on a study by the Centres for Behavioral and Preventative Medicine at The Miriam Hospital in the United States. For more information see: http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/02/130203212419.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+sciencedaily+%28ScienceDaily%3A+Latest+Science+News%29

Health Services and Delivery Research Programme Funding Opportunities

The HS&DR Programme aims to produce rigorous and relevant evidence on the quality, access and organisation of health services, and is now accepting applications to its researcher-led workstream. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 22 May 2013, by 1pm. For more information see: http://www.netscc.ac.uk/hsdr/fundingresearcherled.html?src=RL_Feb_2013_3