Roundtable on Quality Care for People with Serious Illness

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West Virginia: 2016 America’s Health Rankings

Rank | Indicator
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50th | Diabetes, heart disease, HTN, drug deaths, smoking, poor physical health days
49th | Premature death, preventable hospitalizations, clinical care, obesity, health behavior, median household income, personal income
48th | Cancer deaths, poor mental health days, stroke

1. Source: [http://www.americashealthrankings.org](http://www.americashealthrankings.org)
Bridges to Healthy Transitions

- Ecological approach/community orientation

- Palliative care
  - Quality framework
  - Primary and secondary prevention
    - Individual, family and intergenerational impacts

- Partnerships and synergy
  - Health and Human Services Collaborative; United Way; Family Resource Network
  - Voluntary networks; persons with/caring for persons with serious illness
  - Home health and hospice; University Healthcare
  - WV Partnership for Elder Living; WV Future of Nursing Campaign; Our Children/Our Future
Exploring, Understanding, Translating

• Comprehensive assessment

• Informal care networks and formal care systems
  • Sociocultural contexts, processes, and meanings
  • Influence of culture at the intersection(s)
  • Impact of policy/regulations on the day-to-day

• Translation
  • Community perspectives, values, and preferences
    • Research and education
  • Palliative care science
    • Tailored interventions at multiple levels
    • Health planning, program development, practice redesign
Selected Projects

• Building Capacity for Rural Integrated Palliative Care (1 R15 NR012298-01)
  • “Give me something so I can help myself”
  • “Do I have to die so my daughter can have a life?”
  • “They don’t listen; they don’t hear me”

• Building Bridges to Integrated Palliative Care: A Lay/Interprofessional Educational Collaborative
  • Organization of care; communication; symptom assessment and management
  • Educational intervention, toolkits, visit structure and processes

• WV Elder Transitions in Chronic and Advanced Illness
  • WV PEL and Senior Center CNA Training Programs for High School Students**
  • HSTA projects exploring child caregiving in West Virginia**

• University Healthcare CHNA Cycle 1 and Cycle 2
  • Bridge to community transformation initiative (Public Health)
  • Shift and investment in community-based recovery programs; harm reduction
  • Leadership/maximizing synergy among diverse community initiatives

**Projects and Initiatives
WE CANNOT SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS WITH THE SAME THINKING WE USED WHEN WE CREATED THEM

- Albert Einstein