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Recent Events

Relaunch of the New Diabetes Connection!

The Diabetes Connection, the web portal for the Washington State Diabetes Network, has a new look and feel! After receiving feedback from members of the network the site was redesigned, tested, and relaunched! Take a moment today to visit the new <u>Diabetes Connection</u> to see how you can make it work for you!



Thank you to all who helped with the redesign process!

Learn more about the Diabetes Connection.

The 2009 Washington State Diabetes Network Dialog for Action Event was a success and a great opportunity for members to learn about integration efforts at the national and state levels, hear about the Systems Dynamic Model and its role in chronic disease prevention, detection, control, and management; get a first look at the newly revised Diabetes Connection; discuss priorities for state action; learn about regional coalition action; share information and network with their peers. The meeting was attended by over 100 professionals representing both state and local public health, several community service organizations, tribal clinics, community health clinics, hospitals, universities, pharmaceutical companies, and the American Diabetes Association.

A special thank you to all of our presenters, panelists, and breakout session facilitators!

Copies of handouts, presentations, and contact lists can be found on the Diabetes Connection.

Creating Effective Awareness Campaigns Ilinc Training

On July 23rd members of the state diabetes network and regional diabetes coalitions participated in our first online training session using Ilinc technology. Kate Lynch, from the Washington State Department of Health presented strategies on planning effective health communication campaigns. The <u>presentation slides</u>, along with speaker notes can found on the Connection!

Stay tuned for more Ilinc training opportunities in the future!

Upcoming Events



Ilinc Training: Making the Connection Work for You

Wednesday, July 29, 2009 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Join us online for an overview of the new Diabetes Connection web portal and to learn how to find information quickly, contribute content to site, and add your organization's business profile to the site. Learn More...

Are you a CDEMS User?

Wednesday, July 22th from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Jackie Gianunzio will provide training on data entry and reports to CDEMS users. The training will be offered by web conference. For more information or to register contact email <u>Jackie</u> or call her at 509-888-9933.

To find more upcoming events visit the Diabetes Connection events calendar.

New Funding Announcements

Active Living Research: Investigating Policies and Environments to Support Active

Communities: An RWJF New Connections Call for Proposals

This funding opportunity from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for *New Connections* research or publication grants through the Active Living Research program is for new investigators from historically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities. Two types of grants will be funded under this CFP: New Connections research grants and New Connections publication grants. Read More...

Latest Research Articles

Factors Affecting Benefit/Harm of Intensive Glucose Control in Type 2 Diabetes Reported:

NEW ORLEANS, LA, Jun 09, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX) -- Factors affecting whether intensive glucose control is likely to reduce or increase the risk of cardiovascular events, including death, based on evidence in the VA Diabetes Trial, were reported in a symposium at the recent American Diabetes Association's 69th Scientific Sessions. Read More...

Article on the economic cost of undiagnosed diabetes: One-fourth of the approximately 23.6 million people with diabetes in the United States are unaware they have the disease. A recent estimate that diabetes costs the nation \$174 billion per year in higher medical costs (\$116 billion) and lost productivity (\$58 billion) understates the total cost of diabetes because costs associated with UDM are omitted. Read More...

To find more news and research articles visit the Diabetes Connection Recent News Section.

New Resources



Free Health Test Cards Now Available for Providers!

The American Cancer Society, the American Diabetes Association, and the American Heart Association have collaborated to put together Health test cards for providers to use in their practice. The are free but supplies are limited and only medical practices are eligible to order free copies! Learn More...

Más que comida, es vida. (It's more than food. It's Life.)

The National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) announces the updated Más que comida, es vida. (It's more than food. It's Life.) nutritional campaign for Hispanics/Latinos with diabetes and their families. <u>Learn More...</u>

National Guideline Clearinghouse™ (NGC)

The National Guideline Clearinghouse™ (NGC) is a public resource for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines. NGC is an initiative of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NGC was originally created by AHRQ in partnership with the American Medical Association and the American Association of Health Plans (now America's Health Insurance Plans [AHIP]). Learn More...

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