

NEWSLETTER

Learning Collaboratives

The January Medical Home Learning Collaborative has been rescheduled for March 14th and 15th at the Comfort Inn in Bismarck. Sunday night is for new teams and Monday will be for all teams. If you have not already, please RSVP to Emily Rodacker at emily.rodacker@minotstateu.edu.

We will be doing an activity called **"Ring of Knowledge"**. Each team is required to bring something they have developed for their Medical Home site. Each team should bring about 15 copies to share with other teams. Items might include brochures, flyers, posters, care plans, surveys, etc. Be prepared to share how you are using that item, how you developed it and why it is useful to your practice.

Following the Collaborative, we are holding a Stakeholder Symposium on Tuesday, March 16th and encourage everyone who is able to attend.

Learning Collaborative V will be held in Bismarck on April 15th & 16th, 2010.

Stakeholder Symposium

The Stakeholder Symposium will be held on Tuesday, March 16th in Bismarck at the Doublewood Inn. We will be talking about the sustainability of the NDIS project and pilot medical home activity with state representatives and agencies. This is the ideal time to provide feedback on the important work that you have accomplished to date and why it should continue for the state of ND. Travel assistance is available for this extra day. Also consider inviting your other related clinic personnel, families, administrators, etc. Please contact Susie Mack at susie.mack@minotstateu.edu or 800-233-1737 if you plan to attend.

Future Collaboratives

9/20 - 9/22/10 Learning Collaborative VI, Fargo
1/19 - 1/21/11 Learning Collaborative VII, Minot
4/13 - 4/15/11 Learning Collaborative VIII, Bismarck

Mark Your Calendar

3/14/10

Medical Home
Learning Collaborative IV
New Teams
Bismarck Comfort Inn
5pm - 9pm

3/15/10

Medical Home
Learning Collaborative IV
All Teams
Bismarck Comfort Inn
8:00am - 4:30pm

3/16/10

Stakeholder Symposium
All Medical Home Participants
Bismarck Doublewood Inn
8:00am - 4:30pm

3/25/10

Medical Home
Technical Assistance Call
Primary Care Providers and
Care Coordinators
Noon-1 pm

4/15/10

Healthy Transition, Family
Involvement/Cultural Competence
Learning Collaborative V
Bismarck Comfort Inn
8:00am - 4:30pm

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Healthy Transition and Family Involvement/Cultural Competence

Before the weather turned on us, we were able to do our HT and FI/CC Learning Collaboratives during January. We had Janet Green from our staff presenting, along with Wendy Jones and Trish Thomas from the National Center for Cultural Competence.

During the Health Transition piece, the group had the great opportunity of working with two partner families to identify their wants and needs. Together the groups brainstormed ideas as to how these families can further pursue their wants and needs.

For FI/CC, we welcomed representation from the national level. Both Wendy and Trish provided expertise on what is going on at the national level and how we can apply that in our State.

Learning Opportunities (non-NDIS)

There are several learning opportunities that might be of interest to providers and/or families but are not hosted by NDIS nor endorsed by NDIS. However, we would still like to share the information in case it is something you would be interested in.

[National Academy for State Health Policy Newsletter](#)

[Institute for Family-Centered Care](#), April 19-22, Dallas TX

[National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health](#), Conference Call Series

[Family Voices of North Dakota](#)

[ND Disability Health Project Newsletters](#)

- By 3/2/10**
Have room reserved for Learning Collaborative and/or Stakeholder Symposium (if necessary)
- By 3/5/10**
RSVP for Learning Collaborative IV
- By 3/5/10**
RSVP for Stakeholder Symposium
- By 3/12/10**
Have Ring of Knowledge materials ready for Learning Collaborative IV
- By 3/15/10**
Send in monthly team report for February 2010



TIP OF THE MOMENT: PDSA CYCLES & TESTS OF CHANGE

Remember when developing PDSAs and tests of change, keep your sample size manageable, such as 2 or 3. For example, if you are just beginning to do care plans, try it on just a couple of patients first. That is a large enough sample size to determine if your form needs tweaking. It is a lot easier to adjust a couple of care plans than dozens.

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