KARRN related Grants and presentations

Presentations


Publications


Other Publications, Media Outcomes:

Video about Project CARAT that was produced and released on UKNOW on April 18th, 2013 (http://uknow.uky.edu/content/project-carat-recycles-and-refurbishes-medical-equipment-eastern-kentucky).

Violet Sylvia provided an article for the Fall 2013 newsletter (Issue 4) of the Appalachian Translational Research Network (ATRN): Community Voice.

We have been written up in the Appalachian Regional Healthcare Horizons newsletter


Harrison, A.L; Hosier, A.; Lile, LB; Cool, Haley; Brooks, W.; Jones, A; Jones, K.,; Nemeth, E. Mobility and transfers, a resource guide for people with stroke. Published in CD version and as educational module on the KARRN web site. (2013).

Travel tips handouts that are in hard copy and online.
Research 101 Training Modules that are online.

Grants:

**Ongoing Projects:**

*Healthcare Decision Making of Adults Living in Rural Communities with Acquired Neurological Conditions.* Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI); Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Award. Role: Co-PI. Funding Period 1/1/16-12/31/17. Amount of Award: $248,287.

*Kentucky Care Coordination for Community Transitions Program (KC3T).* This program is funded through a collaboration between Appalachian Regional Healthcare and the University of Kentucky Center of Excellence in Rural Health-Hazard and is examining the used of community navigation for individuals with neurological conditions to decrease 30 and 60-day hospital readmissions and emergency department utilization. Role: Co-Director. Funding Period: 06/01/2015-05/31/2016

*Appalachian Patient Stroke Recovery and Research Registry:* The goal of this collaboration between the Office of the VP Executive Health Affairs/UKHC, the KY Stroke Network, the Kentucky Appalachian Rural Rehabilitation Network, and the University of Kentucky CCTS Biomedical Information (BMI) core to develop a stroke registry for both operational use and research. Office of VP Executive Health Affairs/UKHC. Role: Co-Director. Funding Period: 09/01/2013 to 05/31/2016

**Completed Projects:**


*Coordinating and Assisting the Reuse of Assistive Technology Project (CARAT).* This is to expand and enhance the basic pilot study. Contract with Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. Funding period 10/08/13-06/30/14: Role: PI, Award Amount is $28,080.

*Health Navigation for Reintegration of Stroke Patients in Rural Communities.* University of Kentucky Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) pilot award. Funding Period; 10/1/13-05/31/15: Role: PI, Award Amount: $82,800.

*Appalachian Patient Stroke Recovery and Research Registry.* PIs; Patrick Kitzman, Michael Dobbs, and Robert Edwards. Funded through the UK Office of the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs. 2013-2014. The purpose of this database/registry is to maintain quality data for analysis to meet stroke system quality improvement and research to improve the long-term health and healthcare of individuals with stroke in Kentucky and the Appalachian region.
Project CARAT (Coordinating and Assisting the Reuse of Assistive Technology) was funded through a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) PI: Carol Weber of the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. Funding Period: 2012-2015. Project CARAT is a collaborative project with the goal of improving the health and quality of life of individuals with disabilities in the Appalachian region of Kentucky through the provision and redistribution of assistive technology and durable medical equipment (DME: i.e. walkers, wheelchairs, hospital beds) and provide to those in need, at no cost. This project strives to improve the health and quality of life of individuals with disabilities by providing access to this equipment at no charge in order to improve independence and quality of life.

A Community-Based Appalachian Caregiver Peer Mentor Program was funded through a pilot grant from the University of Kentucky Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) Community Engagement Core. PI: Beth Hunter of Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital. Funding period: 2012-2013. This project expanded the current spinal cord injury peer program at Cardinal Hill to include caregivers from Appalachian Kentucky, whose loved ones have received inpatient care at Cardinal Hill and have or will transition home to an Appalachian Kentucky community. A proposed Caregiver peer mentor network was designed to provide appropriate mentors for this population.

The 3rd Annual Kentucky Appalachian Rural Rehabilitation Network Conference: Issues related to spinal cord injury and stroke. The University of Kentucky Vice President for Research Small Conference Grant. PI: Kitzman, Funding Period 7/01/11-6/30/12.

Development of Educational Videos for Training Wheelchair Skills: From Basic to the Real World: University of Kentucky College of Health Sciences Education Enhancement Grant. PIs: Patrick Kitzman and Joan Darbee, Funding Period: 7/01/11-6/01/12.

Enhancing the Capacity of the Kentucky Appalachian Rural Rehabilitation Network. Funded through the grant from the National Institutes of Health, National Center for Minority Health and Health Disparities. PIs: Patrick Kitzman, Anne Harrison, and Julia Costich. Funding Period: 2010-2013. This grant was funded to develop the infrastructure needed to conduct translational research within Appalachian rural communities as well as translate research results into services to improve long-term healthcare service and quality of life for persons with neurological conditions living in those rural communities. This funding allowed us to purchase a portable video conferencing system for Cardinal Hill and allowed us to setup our distance site for our monthly meetings.

Training a community based spinal cord injury peer mentoring network in Kentucky's Appalachian Region. Funded through a Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation Quality of Life Grant. PI: Beth Hunter. Funding Period: 2010-2011. This project was designed to begin the process of creating a community based peer mentoring program for people with SCI who live in Appalachia. This grant provided funds to recruit and train potential peer mentors. Once the
training is complete the mentors will be paired with SCI patients receiving treatment at the 
Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital inpatient SCI program.

*Second Annual Rural Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation Conference.* The Paralyzed Veterans of 
America. PI: Kitzman, Funding Period: 6/01/10-05/30/11.

*Planning Grant for Establishing a Collaborative Team to Investigate: Health and quality of life 
related challenges for individuals with spinal cord injury, living in medically underserved areas of Kentucky, receiving rehabilitation services.* Funded through the Kentucky Experimental 
Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR; through the National Science 

*Rural Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation Conference.* The University of Kentucky Vice President 
for Research Small Conference Grant. PI: Kitzman, Funding Period 7/01/09-6/30/10.