UIHI Hiring Announcement

**Senior Epidemiologist**

This position is responsible for the scientific oversight on Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) projects, including but not limited to: planning, project implementation, input on research study design and directing internal/external communications when appropriate. The position attends external epidemiology meetings, participates in writing abstracts, reports, and other articles for publication and presents results at national conferences. For more information on this position click [here](https://uihi.org).
The UIHI recently released the 2010 Aggregate Urban Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Report. Using data from the 2006-2010 Indian Health Service (IHS) Diabetes Audit, this report uses Key Measures from IHS Best Practice Guidelines as a framework to present the performance of participating urban Indian health organizations (UIHO) as a whole. Eight clinical best practices topics were examined, including Cardiovascular Disease, Youth and Type 2 Diabetes, Chronic Kidney Disease and Depression.

In 2010, 30 facilities participated in the annual Diabetes Audit, representing over 3,800 urban American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) patients with diabetes nationwide. Some key findings include:

- In 2010, 74% of audited patients with diabetes received nutritional instruction from a Registered Dietitian or other provider, a 16% increase from the previous year.
- During the past five years, the percentage of audited patients with diabetes screened for depression increased from 44% to 67%.
- In 2010, only 39% of audited patients with diabetes had a record of receiving a qualifying eye exam in the previous year, which is below the 2010 IHS GPRA goal for 55% of patients to receive an annual eye exam.
- 2010 IHS GPRA goals related to glycemic control, LDL cholesterol assessment and controlled blood pressure were met by participating UIHOs combined.

The UIHI welcomes input about this and other reports. If you have any comments, questions or other feedback, please contact Elizabeth Knaster, Project Coordinator, at 206-812-3032 or elizabethk@uihi.org.

**Fellowship**

**The Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University Fellowship in Minority Health Policy**

This fellowship for physicians is a one-year, degree-granting, full-time program starting July 2012. It is designed to prepare physicians for leadership roles in health policies and practices that improve access to high-quality care for minority, disadvantaged, and vulnerable populations. Up to five one-year, degree-granting fellowships will be awarded per year.

The application deadline for the 2012-2013 Fellowship is January 3, 2012. For more information about the fellowship, click here.

**Training**

**Webinar: Transforming Health Care Delivery Systems**

The National Academy for State Health Policy will be hosting a webinar, November 15, 2011 from 1:00 p.m. EST, Transforming Health Care Delivery Systems: Evolving Challenges for State Policymakers and Health Centers. For more information and to register click here.

More reports, resources and other information can be found on the UIHI website, www.uihi.org

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