

Dartmouth COOP

Project News



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2010 Dartmouth COOP Annual Meeting

Exciting 2010 Dartmouth COOP Project Annual Meeting Planned!
Friday, February 5th and Saturday, February 6th, Hanover Inn, Hanover, NH

Please plan to attend the 2010 COOP Project Annual Meeting. (See registration form on page 3.)

Special Guest Speakers Friday evening will be: Dr. Robert Santulli addressing "Identification and Management of Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease in a Primary Care Practice: and Dr. Stephen H. Mott addressing "Where Have All These Children with Autism Come From?"

Saturday Morning will begin with an exciting poster session of projects recently completed or are in process. DMS medical students and the Rural Health Scholars will also be presenting their projects.

We are very pleased and honored this year to have Dr. Paul S. Frame as our Keynote Speaker. Dr. Frame practiced as a rural family physician with Tri-County Family Medicine in Cohocton NY for 35 Years. He has had a career-long interest in evidence-based preventive medicine and the implementation of preventive services in practice. He published one of the first evidence-based critical reviews of clinical preventive services in 1975. He has been a member of the United States Preventive Services Task Force from 1992-2004 and a member of the Institute of Medicine since 1988.

Dr. Frame is Clinical Professor of Family Medicine at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in Rochester, NY and is currently working with the Greater Rochester Practice-Based Research Network. He obtained his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and did his Family Practice residency at the Hunterdon Medical Center in Flemington, NJ.



Meeting attendees will have the opportunity to attend three different "Ask the Expert" sessions. Topic areas will include: geriatrics, pediatric neurologic/psych development, gastroenterology, endocrinology. As always we will have several exciting workgroup sessions for attendees to brainstorm and develop projects in areas of interest.

Over lunch attendees will have a chance to "Tell Their Story" by sharing with the group the delights and challenges in primary care and their latest passion. Following lunch, there will be a panel discussion to talk about "Guideline Challenges." Saturday evening, beginning at 7:00 PM, you are cordially invited to attend the Department of Community & Family Medicine Annual Gala Event at the Hanover Inn.

We look forward to seeing you!

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Codman Card Quality Improvement Project Underway

Given the current healthcare climate, the Dartmouth COOP Project, working with the Dartmouth Rural Health Scholars, is asking the question "is the plan of care altered because of physician perception of a patient's economic status?"

Our goal is to present findings, of the Codman Card Quality Improvement Project: An Exploration of Clinician Perceptions of Financial Status and Plan of Care, at the COOP Annual Meeting on February 6th and refine and build upon what we learn.

An Elementary School Intervention for Improved Dental Screening and Oral Health Practices - A Successful Pilot Project

A curriculum and teaching model was created for training third- and fourth-grade students (8-9 year-olds) to work as expert teams to screen the oral health of their kindergarten counterparts. The model was piloted in three local elementary schools (Bradford, VT, Newbury, VT and Piermont, NH).



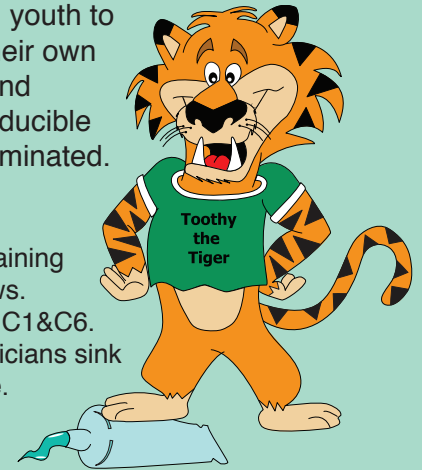
Third- and fourth-grade "Bucky Beavers" were trained to teach and screen for periodontal health in kindergarten "Toothy Tigers." "Bucky Beavers" were given the training and tools to develop assessment skills as well as appropriate language and communication methods.

Two intervention kindergarten classes (n=18) participated as "Toothy Tigers" and two intervention third- & fourth-grade student classes (n=35) participated as "Bucky Beavers."

Two kindergarten classes (n=27) participated as "Controls." Two fourth grade student classes (n= 23)

participated as "Controls." A pre- and post-test analysis on dental hygiene knowledge and behavior was carried out. See table below.

This early intervention involving students as screeners, role models, and "educators" is a very cost-effective method for empowering youth to take responsibility for their own health, the curriculum and teaching model is reproducible and can be easily disseminated.



Articles/Publications:

* Fountain, K. (2009). Training Toothy Tigers. Valley News. June 8; Close-up, Health, C1&C6.

* Durgin, J. (2009). Physicians sink their teeth into dental care. Dartmouth Medicine. Summer; 14-15.

* Manuscript being prepared for submission to: Community Dentistry and Oral Epidemiology

| Question at Baseline | Usual School | Brushy/Toothy School |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| How many times to brush | 67% | 76% |
| How long to brush | 43% | 50% |
| Why brush | 60% | 60% |
| Keep healthy mouth | 51% | 53% |
| How many tooth surfaces | 44% | 56% |
| Foods good for teeth | 72% | 69% |
| Questions 3 Months Later | Usual School | Brushy/Toothy School |
| How many times to brush | 76% | 98%* |
| How long to brush | 76% | 100%* |
| Why brush | 65% | 93%* |
| Keep healthy mouth | 65% | 95%* |
| How many tooth surfaces | 76% | 100%* |
| Foods good for teeth | 76% | 74% |

REGISTRATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Degree _____
Title/Department _____ Organization _____
Street _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ FAX _____ Email _____

MEETING EXPENSES/RATES

Attendee Meeting Fee\$ 95.00
Preceptor Meeting Fee.....\$ 50.00
Resident/Medical Student FeeWaived
(includes Fri. PM desert, Sat. breakfast-AM break- lunch buffet-PM break)
Guest meals\$ 35.00
Subsidized Lodging at Hanover Inn.....\$ 112/night single or double occupancy
Registration fee waived for Residents and Medical Students

Please mail registration form to address below, or FAX to 603/653.3494

Make checks payable to "The Dartmouth COOP Project".

Questions? Email: Deborah.J.Johnson@Dartmouth.EDU or Call 603/653.3440.

For hotel reservations, we must have your information NO later than Friday, January 25, 2010.

Dartmouth COOP Project, 46 Centerra Parkway, 2nd Floor, Room 259, Lebanon, NH 03766

Please list the Name(s) that apply to the following categories for this registration:

COOP Annual Meeting Attendees:

1. _____
2. _____

Adult Guest Attendees:

1. _____
2. _____

Adult Guest Attendees:

1. _____ 2. _____

COOP Meeting Registration Fee: _____ x \$ _____ = _____

Guest: _____ x \$35.00 = _____

Friday Night Hotel: _____ x \$112/night = _____

Saturday Night Hotel: _____ x \$112/night = _____

Total cost due to COOP: _____

Category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award through the Center for Continuing Education in the Health Sciences at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center are being applied for. The Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians.

Please make check payable and mail to:

The Dartmouth COOP Project and please send to:
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Local Clinicians In The News

Dr. Ardis Olsons' research article - *Use of Inexpensive Technology to Enhance Adolescent Health Screening and Counseling*

By: Olson AL, Gaffney CA,
Hedberg VA and Gladstone
GR

In: Archives of Pediatrics and
Adolescent Medicine, 163(2),
pp.172-177

Publisher: American Medical
Association

Published: February 2009



Was nominated to be part of
the RWJF 2009 Year in
Research listing. Each year,
RWJF posts a list of 10
influential research articles
on their Web site. The Foundation chose 21 articles they
believe had major policy impact, affected their work and
thinking, or stood out in some other way. Dr. Olson's
article is on that list of 21 nominees.

The Foundation has nominated 21 articles, supported by
its grantmaking, which it believes had major policy impact,
affected the field's work and thinking, or stood out in some
other way. The final list will be published in early January.
Congratulations, Ardis!

Lous A. Kazal, Jr., MD

New Hampshire Academy of
Family Physicians Annual
Meeting November 18, 2009.
Dr. Louis A. Kazal, JR. began
his term as President.
Congratulations, Lou!
Dr Kazal succeeds Dr. Robert
Soucy, DO.

