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A partnership of community clinicians, practices and UCSF

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Welcome to SF Bay CRN eNews, a quarterly newsletter for friends and members of the San Francisco Bay Area Collaborative Research Network (SF Bay CRN). SF Bay CRN facilitates practice-based research partnerships between researchers, clinicians, and clinical practice groups at UCSF and in the San Francisco Bay Area. Our members include primary care physicians, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, and other primary health care disciplines. SF Bay CRN is a program of UCSF’s Clinical and Translational Science Institute. We offer free initial consultations and other services to UCSF faculty and community-based members seeking to engage in practice-based research. For more information and past issues of our newsletter, visit and bookmark our web page: www.sfbaycrn.org.

New Study with UCSF Center for Excellence in Primary Care and Western Clinicians Network

Community Health Center Leader Survey on Engaging Patients in Practice Improvement

Community Health Center leaders across Region IX of the Bureau of Primary Health Care will soon be asked to complete a brief survey to gain insight on the role of patients in practice improvement. We plan to develop a set of best practices for dissemination to our membership and for future study. The survey will be distributed between mid-June and early July. We hope those who are invited to participate will respond with their wisdom!

$39,000 distributed to support 10 community-initiated practice based research projects

Small Grants Program Comes to a Successful Conclusion

James Rouse recently put together a presentation on the small grants program for a UCSF research colloquium. You can view the presentation here: http://tinyurl.com/op6rgrs! Congratulations to everyone who worked on these wonderful partnerships! Many of them are still continuing and have secured additional funding to further their work. Because of the success of these partnerships, we are seeking opportunities to restart the program in 2015.

Findings will be shared with SFBayCRN members soon

Surveys on New Cholesterol Guidelines and PrEP Support New Federal Grant Proposals

Thank you to several hundred SFBay Guidelines and PrEP support new federal grant proposals. In recent surveys about ACC/AHA Cholesterol Guidelines in their clinical practices and about the need for primary care education and support to prescribe HIV Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) safely and appropriately. The pilot data will be shared with our members when available and could be used to support new research and resources that could benefit our membership if grant proposals submitted by our research partners are successful.

We would love to hear from you!

Demand for SFBayCRN Consultation and Partnership-Building Services Continues to Grow!

In just the past 6 months, we have provided consultation to more than a dozen research teams seeking to connect with SFBayCRN community practice partners, welcomed more than a dozen new practice sites into research partnerships and added close to 100 new members to our mailing list. To obtain a consultation about your research or to share a story about your work with SFBayCRN in this newsletter, contact us by email: Michael Potter, MD – Director, and James Rouse Iñiguez, MA – Program Coordinator