San Francisco Bay Area Collaborative Research Network

A partnership of community clinicians, practices and UCSF

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Happy New Year and welcome to the SF Bay CRN eNews, a quarterly electronic 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 member 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. For more information, visit and bookmark our web page: www.sfbaycrn.org

Important SF Bay CRN Survey:

**Win an iPad Mini by completing our 2013 SF Bay CRN Survey!**

Before the holidays, we sent out a link to our 5-7 minute SF Bay CRN Member Survey, which is our first major attempt to update our clinician, researcher, and healthcare organization contacts since 2008. As an incentive and to make it more fun, survey respondents will be entered into a raffle for two free iPad Mini’s.

Please answer the survey by clicking on this link if you have not completed the survey already – and many thanks for doing so: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7SCYRW3

Congratulations to our 2013 SF Bay CRN Small Grants Awardees:

**Asian Pacific Islander Wellness Center**

**Pre-Experience Perceptions about Telehealth: A cross-sectional descriptive study of Chinese and Filipino Populations in San Francisco**

Heng Nhoung, Bryan Chin, and Carlos Bermudez from the API Wellness Center will work with Malcolm John, MD, MPH and colleagues from the Positive Care Center at UCSF to evaluate the use of telehealth in San Francisco’s Chinese and Filipino communities.

**Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)**

**Partnering to Increase Breastfeeding Exclusivity in Latina Mothers**

Pooja Mittal, MD, Margaret Handley, Ph.D, and Roberto Vargas, MPH will work in partnership with CARECEN in San Francisco’s Mission District to study the effectiveness of a breastfeeding patient education curriculum delivered by community-based promotoras.

**Training in Early Abortion for Comprehensive Healthcare (TEACH) Program**

**Continuing Reproductive Education for Advanced Training Efficacy**

Suzan Goodman, MD, MPH, Elise Belusa, MS, and faculty from family medicine residency programs in Martinez, Salinas, San Francisco, and Santa Rosa will partner with others to evaluate a training curriculum to enhance access to early abortion services in underserved medical communities.
New Collaboration with the Western Clinicians Network:
Survey and Communication to Support QI and Research in Community Health Centers
Charla Parker, MPA and Carl Heard, MD from the Western Clinicians Network, an organization of 895 community health center leaders in California and neighboring states, will partner with SF Bay CRN to develop a detailed database of community health centers in the greater SF Bay Area. The database will explore research interests and priorities in practice-based research that could form the basis for future research collaborations between WCN stakeholders and UCSF researchers.

Do you have questions or news to share?
We would love to hear from you!
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