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In the News

Need for Improved Preventive Services and Reduced Health Disparities

An independent panel convened by the National Institutes of Health recommends enhanced research to assess and address disparities in access to health care and use of clinical services that help prevent disease. The panel urges scientists to explore interventions with multiple components and to engage stakeholders inside and outside the health care system.

Despite the proven value of preventive services such as screenings, counseling, and medications, uptake by providers and patients varies. Differences in the use of these services by racial and ethnic minority groups, rural residents, individuals of lower socioeconomic status, and some providers are significant and may contribute to disparities in disease burden and life expectancy. [Read more.](#)

Researchers Identify Ways to Improve Physician-Patient Visits

Findings of a mixed methods study in JAMA identified five ways to improve patient-physician visits. Researchers observed 27 primary care visits in three different settings to identify practices that promote clinician presence, focus and attention. They also conducted qualitative interviews with 10 physicians, 27 patients and 30 nonmedical professionals. These research activities and a systematic review of 73 studies ultimately yielded the five practice recommendations. [Read more.](#)

Important News

2020 ADA Standards Highlight Webcast

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) recently released its annual [Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes – 2020](#). Join ADA's Chair of the Professional Practice Committee, Joshua J. Neumiller, PharmD, CDE, FASCP, for a [presentation](#) on the key updates and highlights from the 2020 *Standards of Care*. Available to view with or without continuing education credits.



New Enhancements to CDC's Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support (DSMES) Toolkit

CDC has added new videos to the National Standards section of the [DSMES Toolkit](#), which provide an overview of each evidence-based standard a DSMES program must meet for recognition or accreditation. Use the videos to help stakeholders understand the purpose of each standard. To view the videos, visit the [National Standards for DSMES](#) section of the toolkit and click on each standard.

Watch the webinar, "[The DSMES Toolkit: Your One Stop Shop for Successful Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support Services](#)," to learn about using the DSMES Toolkit to establish, deliver, and increase participation in DSMES services. The purpose of the DSMES toolkit is to increase use of DSMES services among people with diabetes and promote health care provider referrals.

Conference, Educational, and Grant Opportunities

2020 Hunger and Health Summit

Conference • April 27-28 • Wisconsin Dells

Early registration is now open for Feeding Wisconsin's 2020 Hunger and Health Summit. This year's conference, with the theme "Impact through Courageous Collaboration," will bring together stakeholders from across sectors and regions in the state to share best practices and partner to improve impact. The 5th annual Summit will explore how we can better activate strategic relationships to increase equity and access in our work to fight hunger and improve health. This year's Summit will once again feature the Wisconsin Local Food Network's conference programming. [Learn more.](#)



From Our Partners

UW Introduces Teleophthalmology Toolkit for Primary Care Clinics

Teleophthalmology is an evidence-based method for providing diabetic eye screening using eye cameras in primary care clinics. Working in partnership with Mile Bluff Medical Center in Mauston, the University of Wisconsin (UW) School of Medicine and Public Health's Teleophthalmology Program has developed I-SITE (Implementation for Sustained Impact in Teleophthalmology), a "how-to guide" for implementing teleophthalmology. The toolkit is designed for primary care clinics that seek to achieve and sustain increased eye screening rates in people with diabetes using teleophthalmology. The [I-SITE toolkit](#) is available to download from the HIPxChange website.



Resources in this newsletter are compiled by the Wisconsin Chronic Disease Prevention Program.

Journal Articles and Reports of Interest

Changes in Secondhand Smoke Exposure Levels and Risk of Type 2 Diabetes in Middle Age: the Korean Genome and Epidemiology Study (KoGES). Jeon J, et al. *BMJ Open Diabetes Res Care.* 2019 Dec;7(1):e000859. doi: 10.1136/bmjdr-2019-000859.

Body Mass Index, Diet, Physical Inactivity, and the Incidence of Dementia in 1 Million UK Women. Floud S, et al. *Neurology.* 2019 Dec 18. doi: 10.1212/WNL.0000000000008779. [Epub ahead of print]

Learn More About Diabetic Retinopathy Screening and Treatment Recommendations



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