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Leadership Education in Adolescent Health (LEAH) Training Program

- 7 LEAH Projects (PI)
 - University of Alabama at Birmingham (Tina Simpson)
 - Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School (S. Jean Emans)
 - Children's Hospital Los Angeles, University of Southern California (Sara Sherer)
 - Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania (Carol Ford)
 - University of Minnesota (Renee Sieving)
 - Seattle Children's Hospital, University of Washington (Laura Richardson)
 - University of California, San Francisco (Charles Irwin)
- Focus of work: Improving the health and well-being of adolescents and young adults (AYA) through training leaders and workforce and partnering with Title V and other programs



LEAH Goals

The 2017-2022 LEAH (Leadership Education in Adolescent Health) Training Program was launched in July 2017. The goals of the 7 projects were reviewed and combined into three areas:

- To provide interdisciplinary training to health professionals in Medicine, Psychology, Nursing, Nutrition, and Social Work to prepare them for leadership roles in clinical services, research, training, and public health, meeting the 12 MCH Leadership Competencies and Performance Measures (PM)
- To improve Workforce capacity through CE programs, TA, and partnerships with Title V programs (addressing NPM), other agencies, professional organizations, training programs, youth and families, and providers.
- To develop and improve evidence-based, patient-centered, family-involved, culturally competent community-based services for AYA and to disseminate promising practices and new knowledge and respond to emerging health needs.



LEAH Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

- NST 1: Improve access & uptake of preventive services
 - Clinical care to underserved and YSHCN, HAPPENS (HIV), Community Asthma Initiative, and community outreach and population management (Boston)
 - Clinical care/LEAH training in an urban primary care Medical Home clinic, comprehensive care clinic for HIV-infected AYA, and a homeless shelter (CHOP)
 - Clinical care, community outreach, and collaboration with Title V partners for communication campaign (UAB)
 - Integration of mental and behavioral health in preventive services (UW)



LEAH Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

- NST 2: Improve the quality of preventive services
 - Annual Regional and National AYA Health Conferences including focus on improving AYA preventive services (CHOP, Boston, UAB)
 - Utilize youth actors (YouthCHAT) or Youth Advisors to train pediatric residents and other trainees to provide high quality preventive services to AYA (UMN, Boston)
 - Research to understand ways to better engage parents in promoting high quality AYA preventive services (CHOP)
 - Collaboration with MA DPH to train Nurse Practitioners in school based health centers across MA (Boston)
 - Collaboration with Alabama Child Health Improvement Alliance for statewide quality improvement initiatives (UAB)
 - Partner with MN DOH to systematically implement clinical quality improvement (QI) initiative with 2 clinics (UMN)
 - Evaluating electronic screening tool to assess risk behaviors and improve delivery of preventive counseling (UW)



LEAH Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

- NST 3: Improve state/systems-level policies and practices
 - Collaboration with MCH AYA Research Network on preventive services article: "Research on clinical preventive services for adolescents and young adults: where are we and where do we need to go?" (Boston, CHOP, IU, UCSF)
 - LEAH fellow experiences with PA and/or Philadelphia Dept. of Public Health Title V Agencies/projects in Region 3 (CHOP)
 - SAHRC (State Adolescent Health Resource Center) supports technical assistance to states with UCSF AYA National Resource Center (NRC) (UMN, UCSF)
 - Partner with MN DOH to promote campaigns to market preventive care to adolescents and engage youth leadership council (UMN)
 - Partnership with AL Title V Program to develop AL Adolescent Health Action Plan (UAB)
 - Collaboration with the AYAH CollN project to increase preventive services through school based health services (UW)



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Adolescent Health Consortium (AAP, AAFP, SAHM and ACOG)

- Dr. John Santelli, MD, MPH, Columbia University
- 'Connecting Adolescents and Young Adults to Clinical Preventive Services'
- PIs: Jon Klein, John Santelli
- To increase parental and youth awareness of clinical preventive services (CPS), including confidential and one-on-one time, and increase the proportion of youth who receive confidential preventative health care.



Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

- Formative research to understand parent, youth, and provider awareness and barriers of CPS for AYA through focus groups and a National Internet Survey (NS 1).
- Dissemination of key messages to providers, parents and youth to emphasize the importance of CPS for AYA (NS 1)
- Implementation of messaging campaigns to providers in national organizations to improve the quality of CPS for AYA (NS 3)
- Policy opportunities to support the quality of AYA care (NS 2/3)



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American Academy of Pediatrics

Name: Cora Collette Breuner, MD, MPH, FAAP

- Title: Chairperson, Committee on Adolescence
- Focus of work: Development of policy, publications, and educational programming to assist pediatricians and other health care providers in enhancing their knowledge and skills in caring for adolescent and young adult patients and their families.



Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

NST 1: Improve access & uptake of preventive services

- Utilization of Bright Futures Preventive Services Guidelines as a common framework for delivery well-care
- Policy statements that provide guidance and recommendations on the delivery of adolescent-specific services
- Adolescent Health Consortium Project: Using data collected from AYA, parents, and providers to develop messaging around importance of confidentiality and private time

NST 2: Improve the quality of preventive services

- Helping pediatricians operationalize the delivery of preventive care in a confidential manner
- Providing pediatricians with education, resources, and tools to provide optimal care



Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

NST 3: Improve state/systems-level policies and practices

- Integration of Bright Futures throughout the AAP
- Incorporation of Bright Futures into many public health programs (eg, home visiting, child care, school-based clinics)
- Specific recommendations for health care financing reform and strategies to pediatricians on increasing payment for caring for AYAs
- Promotion of the health and positive development of transgender and gender-diverse youth



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Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine

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Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine (SAHM)

The Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine (SAHM) is a multidisciplinary organization with an active international membership committed to improving the physical and psychosocial health and well-being of all adolescents through advocacy, clinical care, health promotion, health service delivery, professional development and research.

- Journal of Adolescent Health (JAH) SAHM's official publication presents scientific and scholarly knowledge unique to the health needs of adolescents by showcasing the most recent research and advances in adolescent medicine with applications for practice.
- SAHM Annual Meeting Offers innovative research, clinical workshops and discussion forums for attendees from around the world of diverse disciplines.
- Advocacy Efforts include press releases and position and policy statements on adolescent and young adult health related topics of concern as well as engaging in both state and federal legislative issues.





SAHM's Alignment with AYAH National Strategies

- AYAH National Strategy #1
 - THRIVE APP
 - Rapid responses/legislative efforts
- AYAH National Strategy #'s 1 & 2
 - SAHM position papers and statements
 - SAHM's grant funded projects/initiatives
- AYAH National Strategy # 2
 - Content offered at SAHM Annual Meeting
- AYAH National Strategy #3
 - Rapid responses/legislative efforts



