

2007–2008 CRHC / VA CHERP / RAND Seminar Series

Date	Presenter	Title
09/11/2007	Ateev Mehrotra, MD, MPH Assistant Professor, Division of General Internal Medicine, University of Pittsburgh; Health Policy Researcher, RAND Corporation	<i>Profiling Physicians on Their Cost-Efficiency</i>
09/18/2007	Michael Lin, PhD Assistant Professor, Department of Health Policy and Management; Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh	<i>US Nursing Home Quality: Strategic Groups and Performance</i>
09/25/2007	Carrie Farmer Teh, PhD National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Quality of Psychotherapy Treatment for Depressed Medicaid-Enrolled Adults</i>
10/02/2007	Bradley Stein, MD, MPH, PhD Associate Director, Mental and Behavioral Health, Center for Domestic and International Health Security, RAND; Senior Director, Research Evaluation and Outcomes, Community Care Behavioral Health Organization; Visiting Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Psychiatric Hospitalization in Medicaid-Enrolled Adults: Who Gets Timely Follow-up Care?</i>
10/09/2007	Eleanor Bimla Schwarz, MD, MS Assistant Professor of Medicine; Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Science; Center for Research on Health (CRHC), University of Pittsburgh	<i>Computerizing Preventive Health Counseling for Reproductive-Aged Women</i>
10/16/2007	Adam Gordon, MD, MPH Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh; VA Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion (CHERP); Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center (MIRECC); CRHC; Medical Director, Salvation Army Harbor Light Center, Pittsburgh	<i>Launching Optimal VA Expansion of Buprenorphine Opioid Agonist Treatment (BOAT): Results and Implications of Implementation of New Models of Care</i>
10/30/2007	Andrew W. Dick, PhD Senior Economist, RAND; Adjunct Faculty, Department of Community and Preventive Medicine, University of Rochester	<i>Unexpected Consequences of Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the Breast: Rates of Contralateral Prophylactic Mastectomy in Women with Unilateral Breast Cancer</i>
	Judy C. Chang, MD, MPH Assistant Professor, Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>When Pregnant Patients Disclose Risky Health Behaviors: Missed Opportunities for Behavioral Change Counseling</i>
	Eleanor Bimla Schwarz, MD, MS Assistant Professor of Medicine; Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Science; CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Risk of Pregnancy among Women Prescribed Potentially Teratogenic Medications</i>
11/06/2007	Alexander Smith, MD, MS, MPH	<i>Racial and Ethnic Differences in End-of-Life</i>

	Fellow, General Internal Medicine, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brookline, Massachusetts	Care
11/13/2007	Cindy Bryce, PhD Research Assistant Professor of Medicine and Health Policy and Management, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Evaluating Preferences for End-of-Life Care in the Intensive Care Unit</i>
11/20/2007	Kathleen McTigue, MD, MS, MPH Assistant Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Virtual Lifestyle Management: Using Technology to Translate an Evidence-Based Lifestyle Intervention into a Primary Care Setting</i>
11/27/2007	Michael Fine, MD, MSc Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh; Associate Director, CRHC; Director, Veterans Integrated Service Network 4 (VISN 4) CHERP, Pittsburgh Said Ibrahim, MD, MPH Associate Professor of Medicine; Chair, Intramural Research Committee, CHERP; VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh Steven Weisbord, MD, MSc Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh; CHERP; Staff Physician, Renal Section, VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh	<i>Brief Overview Talks about CHERP: Equity and Quality in Venous Thromboembolism Management: Preliminary Research. Racial Disparities in the Management of Chronic Kidney Disease Anemia in VA and non-VA Populations</i>
12/04/2007	Caleb Alexander, MD Assistant Professor of Medicine, Section of General Internal Medicine, University of Chicago	<i>How Much Should \$38 Billion Buy? The Uptake and Impact of the Medicare Part D Prescription Benefit and Related Topics in Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics</i>
12/11/2007	Wishwa N. Kapoor, MD, MPH Falk Professor of Medicine; Professor of Health Policy and Management; Chief, Division of General Internal Medicine; Vice Chair, Department of Medicine; Director, Institute for Clinical Research Education; Director, CRHC; Co-Director, RAND–University of Pittsburgh Health Institute; Co-Director, Clinical and Translational Science Institute, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Discussion: The Future of the RAND–University of Pittsburgh Health Institute (RUPHI)</i>
12/18/2007	Walid F. Gellad, MD, MPH Chief Resident, Division of General Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston	<i>Prescription Drug Policy and Access to Medications for the Elderly</i>
01/08/2008	John Michael McWilliams, MD Research Fellow in Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Department of Health Care Policy, Harvard Medical School, Boston	<i>Importance of Health Insurance to Near-Elderly Adults with Chronic Conditions</i>
01/15/2008	Lenny López, MD, MPH, MDiv General Medicine Research Fellow, Massachusetts General Hospital; Associate Physician, Hospitalist Program, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston	<i>Improving Hospital Quality</i>

01/22/2008	Steven M. Albert, PhD, MSPH Professor and Associate Chair, Department of Behavioral and Community Health Sciences, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Housing Violations and Surveillance of Self-Neglect in Community-Resident Elderly</i>
01/29/2008	Donna O. Farley, PhD Senior Health Policy Analyst, RAND, Santa Monica and Pittsburgh; Co-Director, RAND–University of Pittsburgh Health Institute, Pittsburgh Nicholas Castle, PhD Assistant Professor, Department of Health Policy and Management, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Perspectives on Resident Safety in Nursing Homes</i>
02/05/2008	Yan Lin, PhD Assistant Professor of Medicine and Biostatistics, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Design and Analysis of Genetic Studies in Clinical Research</i>
02/12/2008	Eduard Vasilevskis, MD Health Services Research Fellow, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco	<i>Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Performance Measurement: Assessing the Value of Mortality as a Quality Measure</i>
02/19/2008	Robert Arnold, MD Professor of Medicine; Chief, Section of Palliative Care and Medical Ethics; Assistant Director, Institute to Enhance Palliative Care; Director, Institute for Doctor-Patient Communication; Leo H. Crip Chair in Patient Care, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Reviewing Articles for Journals: Ethical and Practical Issues</i>
02/26/2008	David Barnard, PhD, JD Professor of Medicine; Director, Institute to Enhance Palliative Care; Director of Palliative Care Education; Center for Bioethics and Health Law; Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Social Determinants of Health and Human Rights in the Global Context</i>
03/04/2008	Amber E. Barnato, MD, MPH, MS Assistant Professor of Medicine and Health Policy Management; Associate Director, Clinical Scientist Training Program, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Emergency Physician, Hospitalist, and Intensivist Decision Making for a Critically Ill Elderly Patient with End-Stage Cancer: A Pilot Simulation Study</i>
03/11/2008	Stephanie Studenski, MD, MPH Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh; Director of Research, Division of Geriatric Medicine; Program Director, Pittsburgh Pepper Center; Director, Area of Concentration in Geriatric Medicine; VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh	<i>Interactive Video Dance for Postmenopausal Women: A Pilot Intervention Trial</i>
03/18/2008	Natalia Morone, MD, MSc Assistant Professor of Medicine, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>The Therapeutic Use of Meditation for Chronic Pain: A Preliminary Study</i>
03/25/2008	Adeel Butt, MD Affiliate Investigator, HIV/Infectious Diseases Clinic, VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System,	<i>Hepatitis C: Should the Treatment Paradigm Be Shifted?</i>

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04/01/2008	Yuting Zhang, PhD Assistant Professor of Health Economics, Department of Health Policy and Management, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Medicare Part D: Evidence on Medication Treatment Patterns, Hospitalization Rates, and Spending on Medical Services</i>
04/08/2008	Mark Linzer, MD Professor of Medicine; Chief, Section of General Internal Medicine, University of Wisconsin, Madison	<i>The Impact of the Work Environment on Physicians and Patients</i>
04/15/2008	Howard Degenholtz, PhD Assistant Professor of Medicine and Health Policy and Management, Center for Bioethics and Health Law, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Quality of Life in Nursing Homes</i>
04/22/2008	Discussion Group	<i>Discussion recorded for later use in the Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) Course "An Introduction to Translational Research in the Health Sciences"</i>
04/29/2008	Gregory Ruhnke, MD, MS, MPH Fellow, General Internal Medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston	<i>Trends in Community-Acquired Pneumonia: Outcomes, Interventions, and Costs</i>
05/06/2008	Discussion Group	<i>Discussion recorded for later use in the CTSI Course "An Introduction to Translational Research in the Health Sciences"</i>
05/13/2008	Chyongchiou J. Lin, PhD Associate Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, University of Pittsburgh Donald B. Middleton, MD Vice President of Family Practice, UPMC St. Margaret, Pittsburgh	<i>Economic Evaluation of Standing-Order Programs to Increase Pneumococcal Vaccination Rates in Hospitalized Elderly</i>
05/27/2008	Discussion Group	<i>Discussion recorded for later use in the CTSI Course "An Introduction to Translational Research in the Health Sciences"</i>
06/03/2008	Discussion Group	<i>Discussion recorded for later use in the CTSI Course "An Introduction to Translational Research in the Health Sciences"</i>
06/10/2008	Molly B. Conroy, MD, MPH Assistant Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology, CRHC, University of Pittsburgh	<i>Regional Adiposity as a Marker of Cardiovascular Health</i>