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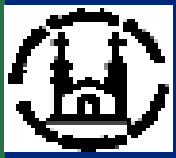

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CNP July Meeting 2009

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) held a meeting this July to discuss dissemination of results and the next phase of CNP: CNP II. The LACRC plans to publish results on the Chart Review 2006 and the Communications Survey this fall. We hope to have Chart Review 2009 data collected and entered into our database by September 2009. The Concept Paper for CNP II has been approved and we anticipate the release of the RFA in October 2009.

Supplement Grant Applications

The LACRC is pleased to have worked with our clinic and community partners on administrative supplement grant applications this summer. Nueva Vida applied for a supplement to support a randomized controlled trial (RCT) to evaluate the feasibility and effects of a pilot intervention to increase physical activity in Latino breast cancer survivors. In addition, La Clinica del Pueblo applied for a Community Health Educator (CHE) supplement and Capital Breast Care Center for a Patient Navigator supplement. Applications are currently under review at NCI.

September Monthly Meeting Reminder

We will hold our next LACRC Monthly Workgroup Meeting on Monday, September 14, 2009 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Georgetown University.

New Additions to the LACRC

Margarita Gutierrez

Margarita is the new Community Clinics, Inc. (CCI) Cancer Control Coordinator. Margarita has been working at CCI for 14 years. At CCI Gaithersburg, she is a family support coordinator, helping patients receive the care they need (health, housing, clothing, food) regardless of financial restrictions. She also works on the Primary Care Coalition of Montgomery County's new initiative, 7331, which aims to reduce childhood obesity by working closely with families to promote healthier lifestyle choices. Margarita received an Associate degree in mental health from Montgomery College in 2005.

Noel Mueller

As of July 2009, Noel Mueller joined the LACRC team as a project coordinator. He will be assisting Dr. Maria Lopez with her studies on Latino male smokers as well as helping to coordinate different LACRC tasks. Noel received his MPH in Epidemiology from the University of Minnesota this summer.

Christine Reesor

Christine Reesor joins the LACRC as the new Spanish Catholic Center (SCC) Cancer Control Coordinator. Christine began working at SCC in DC in 1998 as an RN while completing a Masters at the Catholic University of America. After a year as a Nurse Practitioner, she assumed the role of Clinic Coordinator of the DC clinic in 2001. Christine relocated to SCC Langley Park in September 2007. Christine spent 9 years working in El Salvador in education and coordination capacities.