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Things We Have Got to Fix in PHSSR

- Research Workforce and Training Support
- Data
- Methods
- Links to Policy
- Links to Practice
- Research Imperative
- Funding
Workforce and Training Support

- Centers of Excellence & Institutional Commitment
- Don’t reinvent the wheel, use NIH and AHRQ training support mechanisms, F 32, K01, K02 awards
- Mentored awards with protected time, K30
- Where are the major professors and mentors
- How well do our senior folks mentor young investigators
- Who provides the training support, CDC, NIH, AHRQ, HRSA, RWJ
Data

- Data Harmonization
- The Public Health MOS
- Limited sets of data, surveys, performance measures, ARF, Medicare and Medicaid data
- Lack of support for more extensive data collections
- What data do we collect, where are the public Health HEDIS or Preventable Hospitalizations, QI measures, CAHPS
- Date repository, cleaning, linking, maintenance/archiving and assistance to data users
Methods

• Logic models
• Do current research methods lend themselves to our questions and issues?
• What are the methods that will allow us to maximally utilize our existing data sets?
• As new data comes on line, how are we best to analyze it?
• What methods of analysis lend themselves to practice and policy interventions?
Links to Policy

- What do policy makers want or need to know about PH?
- How do we package and present the information for maximal impact?
- How do we populate policy circles with our people (Who is the PH Stu Altman)?
- How do we create “just in time” policy research?
- How do we develop the relationships of PH policy makers, practitioners and researchers?
Links to Practice

• Where are the receptor sites in the practice organizations, health departments?
• How do we best link the research with those receptor sites?
• How do we get the questions that need attention from practice colleagues, help in how to package and present those ideas?
• How do we get practice sites to serve a research sites for PHSSR, feedback, CBPR?
Research Imperative

- HP2020 infrastructure chapter
- Legislative/Regulatory language; federal, state
- NGA, NCSL, NACO linkages and agendas
- Linkage to new program or initiatives, regulation; Preparedness and PHSR
- PHSSR and categorical programs
Funding

• Who
• For What
• How much
• Funding driving agenda not issues and problems from practice or policy
• Disease of the month club
• Categorical program linkage to infrastructure development and use of categorical funding to answer larger questions.
Questions?

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