

Quarterly Report

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Publicity:

Poster placed for Grand Rounds on “Death and Dying a Navajo Perspective.”

Given on June 23rd, 2010 by Ida Bradley

Outreach:

Attempted to download outreach form but it was password protected. The grand rounds talk “Death and Dying, a Navajo Perspective” was a chance to provide outreach to our medical staff to teach about Navajo culture surrounding death and dying. It was very interactive, and had at least 30 members of our staff. Many staff members expressed significant improvement in their ability to help our patients at the end of life after this talk.

Other accomplishments:

We have formed a closer relationship with our Office of Native Medicine here at GIMC. We are meeting on 9/1/10 to discuss the direction of this project. Preliminary discussions have lead to the idea of creating enduring CME material available on the web for learning more about Navajo culture and barriers to health care. We will know more after the meeting 9/1/10.

Target audience:

Our target audience has expanded to include health professionals outside of nursing and MDs.

Goals, Outcomes, Objectives:

In the last year I have lost almost everyone on the original committee. Only Nate Yale and myself remain. I have become deputy chief of staff for the medical center which has tremendously increased my responsibilities. We have found it quite hard to coordinate our time and pull in the speakers we would like. Mostly this is due to limited times we

can provide live grand rounds talks. Thus we have switched our strategy to creating online video CME which gives more flexibility to ourselves as well as to potential speakers.

Evaluation:

Only CME evaluations for the talk given by Ida Bradley—which were quite favorable.

Impacts and Observations:

I can tell you that just by bringing up the possibility for collaboration between traditional MD's and the Office of Native Medicine at GIMC has sparked some significant energy. If the only thing that comes from this process is greater communication from our traditional and “western” providers, then this project has been a success.

Planned Activities:

A combination of live and online talks given by a variety of speakers regarding cultural aspects of care of the Navajo.

After the meeting on 9/1/10 we should have a more specific outline available.

Anticipated speakers will be:

- 1) Mitze Begay—Navajo and Diabetes management.
- 2) Kathy Morse—perspective of a native provider trained in western medicine
- 3) Stephen Begay-Office of Native Medicine GIMC
- 4) Eric Willie-Office of Native Medicine GIMC
- 5) Joe Stone PhD—Cultural Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.