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New Faculty Announcements

Becky Briesacher, a new faculty member affiliated with the Center has recently received a grant titled "Consequences of Reduced Antipsychotic Prescribing in Nursing Homes," a two-year grant funded by the National Institute on Aging. The objectives of this study are to describe the current landscape of antipsychotic use in the nursing home setting and estimate how the recent antipsychotic reduction campaign by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid influenced prescribing. The project will inform the Medicare program and policymakers about the experience of nursing home residents related to antipsychotics and how to improve dementia care in nursing homes.

New Publication Announcements

Timothy Hoff's article in the 2013 issue of The Milbank Quarterly entitled, "Medical Home Implementation: A Sensemaking Taxonomy of Hard and Soft Best Practices" received the 2014 Ronald Copeland Best Paper Award in the D'Amore-McKim School of Business at Northeastern University. This article presents a novel view on how physicians and their staff within primary care experience successful medical home activities, focusing mainly on the relational elements of care.

A recent study published in Value in Health coauthored by **Steven Pizer** compares two classes of drugs used to treat two types of diabetes. The study is more comprehensive in size and follow-up than previous studies of similar nature. [Read More](#)

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How physicians are adapting to payment reform

Courtesy of news@Northeastern

Two faculty members, Timothy Hoff and Gary Young, have begun a timely research study on "pay-for-performance" models and the changing mindset of medical professionals. [Read more](#)



Image Courtesy of D'Amore-McKim School of Business LeadersatWork Blog

D'Amore-McKim Professors Receive Grant to Explore Best Practice for Supply Chain Management Practices in Hospitals Courtesy of the D'Amore-McKim LeadersatWork blog

"Professors Gilbert Nyaga, George (Russ) Moran and Gary Young recently received a grant from IBM to research the inventory and supply chain management practices within hospitals in New England." [Read more](#)

Video: The Value that Comes from a Health Care Organization Engaging in Executive Education

Courtesy of the D'Amore-McKim LeadersatWork blog

Three Center faculty members, Gary Young, Timothy Hoff and George (Russ) Moran recently completed a third installment of their executive education program with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. [Learn more](#)

Looking ahead: Fitness tech in 2015

Courtesy of [news@Northeastern](#)

"Fitness trackers accounted for more than half of the 35 million wearable devices in use at the end of 2014, according to a report by global analyst CCS Insight. Here, Stephen Intille, the co-founder of Northeastern's personal health informatics doctoral program and an associate professor with joint appointments in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences and the College of Computer and Information Science, explains what we can expect from fitness tech in 2015." [Read more](#)
