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1st CWHGR Multi-Site Pilot Study

The CWHGR recently funded its first multi-site study: *Self-Efficacy and Self-Disclosure of HIV-Positive Serostatus to Sex Partners: A Female Sample*,

women living in Hawai'i and Seattle, Washington. Recently, a feasibility study in a sample of HIV-positive women living in Hawai'i (N=23) was



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Kathleen Sullivan, PI, Assistant Professor, University of Hawaii, Manoa; Joachim Voss, Co-PI, Assistant Professor, University of Washington.

completed to evaluate measurement instrumentation and test recruitment methods.

Excerpted from the abstract; This descriptive pilot study uses a survey design and exploratory analysis to examine disclosure of HIV-positive serostatus to sex partners by an ethnically diverse sample of

For the current study, a survey format with minor modifications will be used to study women from the Seattle metropolitan area and increase enrollment throughout the Hawaiian Islands with an expected overall enrollment of 100 women (50 each from Hawaii and Seattle).

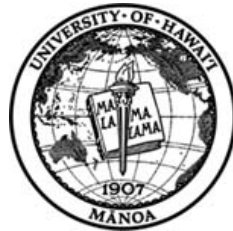


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The data collected will serve to formulate gender-sensitive and culturally appropriate HIV-prevention interventions that target women at-risk for transmitting the virus to their sex partners.



Grants Funded

Physical Activity Perspectives: Exploring Gender Differences Among Russian-Speaking Slavic Immigrants, Janet Purath, P.I., Cindy Corbett, Catherine Van Son, Co-Investigators (Washington State University). Funded by the Center for Women's Health and Gender Research Center (2007-2008).

Objective and Self-reported Sleep and Behavioral Emotional Functioning in 9-11 Year Old Children with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis, Theresa Ward, P.I., Carol Landis, Co-Investigator. Funded by UW School of Nursing RIFP Fund. (2007-2008).

Fracture Risk and Prevention in Adults with Developmental Disabilities, Kathleen Watson, P.I. Sponsored by ARC of Washington Trust Fund. This is a continuation of Dr. Watson's CWHGR pilot/feasibility study: "Changes in Bone Mineral Density and Fracture Incidence of Residents in a Residential Habilitation Center Following Initiation of an Osteoporosis Screening and Treatment Standard" (2007-2008).

Nursing Management of IBS: Improving Outcomes, Margaret Heitkemper, PI, Co-Investigators: Robert Burr, Kevin Cain, Monica Jarrett, Ruth Kohen, Christina Surawicz, Sheryl Berman. Funded by NIH, NINR (2008-2013).

Publications

Peng, Y-T, Lin, C-Y, Sun, M-Ting, **Landis, CA.** (2007). A Distributed Multimodality Sensor System for Long-Term Sleep Monitoring. *IEEE Trans. on Biomedical Engineering*, in press.

Tsai, S-Y, Laybak, S.E., Richardson, L.P., **Lentz, M.J.,** Brandt, P.A. Ward, T.M., **Landis, C.A.** (2007). *Brief Report: Actigraphic Sleep and Daytime Naps in Adolescent Girls with Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain. Journal of Pediatric Psychology.* PMID: 18056139

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Jarrett, M.E., Burr, R.L., Cain, K.C., Rothermel, J.D., **Landis, C.A., Heitkemper, M.M.** (2007). Autonomic



Publications cont'd...

nervous system function during sleep among women with irritable bowel syndrome. *Digestive Diseases Science*. PMID: 17934847.

VTE Safety Toolkit

Brenda K. Zierler and colleagues developed a VTE Safety Toolkit as part of a patient safety research partnership. It can be found at: <http://vte.washington.edu/>. The research was supported by an AHRQ Grant.

Presentations

Building Bridges, 34th Annual Conference: Professional Nurse Educator Group (PNEG). Portland, Oregon, Oct. 19-21, 2007:

Jerelyn Resnick and Mary Abrams presented: "Journey or Destination: Evaluating Student Learning about Race and Class Discrimination in health Care."

Mary Abrams, Jerelyn Resnick, and graduate student panel: "Politics, Culture and Health in Cuba: A Fieldwork Experience."

Carol Landis was chair of planning committee and panel discussion moderator for the CNE 2007 Insomnia: Behavioral & Pharmacologic Management in Primary Care conference. Funded by educational grants from Sepracor and Takeda Pharmaceuticals.

Awards/ Honors

2007 Book of the Year Awards

"*Medical-Surgical Nursing: Assessment and Management of Clinical Problems*" Edited by Sharon L. Lewis, **Margaret McLean Heitkemper**, Shannon Ruff Dirksen, Patricia Graber O'Brien, and Linda Bucher. 7th edition, St. Louis, Mosby Elsevier.



Margaret
Heitkemper

"This compilation succeeds in translating bench and clinical science into practical materials for care planning and evaluation by nurses, patients, and families.

- Includes study guides and a Stress Busting Kit
- Integrates nursing taxonomy and care plans
- Offers culturally sensitive teaching tools"

Frances M. Lewis was asked to be a member of the Board of Directors of the American Psychosocial Oncology Association.

Upcoming Events

Judith LaRosa, PhD, RN, will present on Women's Cardiovascular Health May 6, 2008 1:00-2:00pm T612 Health Sciences Bldg.

Judith is a Professor of Preventive Medicine and Community Health SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn, NY and CWHGR Consultant.

Summer Institute 2008, "The Long Road from Descriptive Studies to Intervention" will be held June 19-20, 2008 in T661 Health Sciences Center, University of Washington.

Our goal for Summer Institute 2008 is to build on Summer Institute 2006: "Enhancing Research Methods: An Invitational Conference" by focusing on the evolution of programs of research from preliminary studies to multi-site interventions.

The conference is appropriate for junior faculty who are initiating their research careers, senior faculty who function as mentors while developing their own research.





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