

2012 Military Health System CONFERENCE

Gaylord National® Resort & Convention Center
National Harbor, Maryland



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January 30 - February 2, 2012

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Breakout Session Tracks

Track A: Operational Medicine

Track Champions: Maj Gen Robb; BG Joseph Carvalho; RADM Dave Smith

Action Officers: Lt Col Tammy Savoie & Mr. Jared Anable

Military Medicine provides healthcare in unconventional settings. The challenges of providing cutting edge medical support to full spectrum operations are significant. Our military healthcare system is engaged globally in both permissive and non-permissive environments: from medical stability operations to humanitarian assistance & disaster response and from homeland defense to irregular warfare & combat ops. Sessions will focus on the full spectrum of medical engagement and support to the Combatant Command's theater of operations highlighting our successes and tackling our challenges.

Track B: Accountable Care Organizations & Integrated Delivery Systems

Track Champions: Brig Gen Mike Miller; Mr. Pradeep Gidwani; RADM Donald Gintzig

Action Officers: Maj Troy Dillon, CAPT John O'Boyle, LTC Steven Shipley, Jr.

Outlines benefits of creating Accountable Care Organizations in the MHS. Addresses improving communication of patient information between providers of care, including VA and referral network partners. Presents case to transition from a "fee for service" model of care to a "pay for value" model, which could reshape how the MHS allocates resources. Discusses why tracking performance metrics is absolutely necessary in order to validate/quantify the value that would be realized after implementation.

Track C: Improving Quality and Safety

Track Champions: Dr. Warren Lockette; RDML Colin Chinn; Brig Gen Daniel Wyman

Action Officers: Ms. Sapna Surana; Ms. Maria Feaster; Ms. Heidi King

Beneficiaries' of the Military Health System expect the highest standards of safety and quality. The MHS achieves success when our military and civilian hospitals, clinics and individual providers create a culture of safety while improving clinical outcomes and efficiency in healthcare. Track sessions will explore at how the MHS is developing a culture of safety; is measuring key quality and patient safety performance indicators; and its role in the Partnership for Patients initiative.

Track D: Healthy Behaviors and Resilience

Track Champions: Maj Gen Kim Siniscalchi; RDML Tom Beeman

Action Officers: CAPT Sara Kass; Lt Col Ross Whitmore; Lt Col Jill Scheckel

Building resilience and healthy behaviors promotes a conceptual shift in how we approach healthcare, focusing on prevention rather than intervention as a critical modality. Sessions will target key areas to promote and enhance total force health and readiness by fostering the adoption of healthy lifestyles. In conjunction to the discussion on healthy behaviors, the construct of resilience will be highlighted as a protective factor to promote and preserve individual health, as well as performance, in a demanding environment.

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Track E: Developing a System of Psychological Health Care

Track Champions: COL(P) Norvell Coats; CAPT Paul Hammer; COL Rebecca Porter

Action Officers: LTC Edward Brusher; LTC Tony Cox; Mr. Miguel Roberts

The intent is to create and implement an evidence-based, cost-effective BH system of care. Through the standardization of care within the clinical setting, variance is minimized in clinical practice thus achieving higher levels of quality in care delivery, patient satisfaction and desired functional outcomes.

Track F: Healthcare Information Technology in support of the MHS Quadruple Aim

Track Champions: Brig Gen Jim Carroll; Mr. George Chambers; Mr. Verlin Hardin

Action Officers: Mr. Bill Frank; Maj Tracy Harrelson; Maj Mark Knitz; Ms. Natalie Salisbury; Ms. Alida Vessey

This track provides information on new technologies that support improved outcomes, interoperability, the VA/DoD Joint Sharing Initiative, Population Health, and the patient centered medical home concept. The solutions discussed help increase patient satisfaction, assist in meeting readiness goals, and help reduce per capita healthcare costs.

Track G: Wounded, Ill or Injured Warriors & Disability Evaluation

Track Champions: BG Williams; Dr. Bruzek-Kohler; RDML (sel) Rebecca McCormick-Boyle

Action Officers: CDR Rosemary Malone; COL Catherine Mozden; CAPT Mary Jean Herden

The track focuses on programs that facilitate the healing, rehabilitation, and transitioning of our Wounded, Ill or Injured Warriors. Sessions will provide an overview of NICOE, Pain Management, IDES Successes and the Care of Our Reserve and National Guard Wounded, Ill or Injured Warriors. A panel of Wounded, Ill or Injured Warriors will also share their own experiences with the MHS.

Track H: Governance Transformation: A Vision for the MHS

Track Champion: Dr. Peach Taylor

Action Officers: COL Nancy Dezell & COL Christopher Priest

Times are a changin'...intense budget scrutiny, competitive civilian health care markets, BRAC Law and other Congressional mandates call for greater MHS process standardization, ingenuity, and team work than ever before. "Because it's always been done that way" is literally a thing of the past! Military organizations must shed our proverbial parochialisms in favor of the greater good to maximize readiness, focus on world class patient-centered, outcome-based health care delivery, population health, and achieving sustainable and defensible health care costs. Stretch your mind and current thought processes as we discuss several game-changing historic, current, and future transformational initiatives within the MHS...and how we must move forward together to be the palm trees in the storm...or else.

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Track I: Advancing Health through Professional Education and Training

Track Champions: RDML William Kiser; Maj Gen Gerry Caron; Dr. Patrick Sculley

Action Officers: Maj Paula Hoang; ENS Jennifer Nestor; Ms. Leeann Ori

Mission success results from groundwork built on a solid education and training foundation that emphasizes preventive healthcare, maintaining and sharing of medical knowledge in order to create a resilient military population and to optimize the quality of life for our members. This track will focus on the utilization of education and training advancements to improve population health across the MHS.

Track J: Transforming Medical Science – Game Changing Research in the MHS, Responding to and Reducing the Impacts of Blast to our Warfighting Family

Track Champions: Maj Gen James Gilman; RDML Bruce Doll

Action Officers: CAPT Chris Daniel & Dr. Wayman Cheatham

On Day One, we will present exciting work in revolutionizing prosthetics and in regenerating human tissues, as well as an overview of the Joint Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat Program, which collaborates with our colleagues in the operational, materiel and intelligence communities and has effected significant improvements in platforms, body armor and other protective equipment, tactics and procedures to greatly reduce the incidence and severity of blast-related injuries. A phenomenal reduction in severe burn injuries from blast trauma will also be highlighted. On Day Two, we will present cutting edge research in Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, including work done at USUHS and in our MTF's, and will focus on early identification and effective treatment for these injuries as well as on efforts to build resilience to reduce them.

Track K: Patient Centered Medical Home and the Quadruple Aim-- transforming medicine for the future

Track Champions: RDML Forrest Faison; Brig Gen Ediger

Action Officers: CAPT Joseph Aquilina; CAPT Sterling Sherman; CAPT Maureen Padden; Lt Col Janet Brumley; Maj David Eisenach

The principles of Medical Home are foundational for Force Health Protection and achievement of the Quadruple Aim. Successful adoption of Medical Home is critical to realize our goal of being an efficient, effective, and cost responsive 21st century Health System. This track will examine the technology, processes, strategic alignment, and culture necessary to transform healthcare delivery and adopt PCMH to achieve the goals of the quadruple aim.

Track L: Exploring Purchased Care Strategies to Improve Market Integration and Achieve Better Health Care Value

Track Champions: Mr. William Thresher; ADM McGinnis

Action Officers: Mr. John Martin, CAPT Nita Sood

This track will explore health care strategy innovations with potential for substantially transforming health care delivery in local community medical markets through focused analysis and sharing of best practices to improve systems integration and enhance the value proposition of both clinical and functional outcomes.