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ACHIEVING MATERNAL EQUITY AND TRANSFORMING HEALTH THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE AND TRAINING

October 2024 News & Updates

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Upcoming Virtual Seminar
Connecting, Collaborating and Contributing for Change | Part 2
Friday, October 4th | 1:00 pm ET

Patient storytelling is a powerful tool in facilitating meaningful communication between patients, clinicians, and providers. But patients can often face barriers that make it difficult for them to be comfortable sharing their stories. How can we understand and help patients overcome these barriers to storytelling? In the second half of our two-part seminar hosted by patient co-investigator Debora Grandison, you will learn more about the different barriers that can prevent patients from feeling comfortable sharing their stories and ways of helping patients overcome them.

Zoom Registration

Group Consultation: Rapid Qualitative Analysis
Tuesday, October 29th | 2-3pm EST

Do you think your question around qualitatively assessing implementation during your study is too small for an individual consult? AMETHIST would like to invite you to our first group consultation on Rapid Qualitative Analysis on Tuesday, Oct 29th, 2024, from 2-3pm EST.

The group consult is a conversation with members across the IMPROVE network to engage with and learn from one another. Please bring specific questions, comments, and experiences regarding rapid qualitative analysis to support each other's work. No question is too big or small!

Secure your spot by Oct. 11

If you are interested but spots are full, we will be sure to include you in the next group consult.

The 17th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health

Moving Fast and Slow: Optimizing the Pace of Implementation

December 8th-11th | Arlington, VA

Registration is now open for the conference and pre-conference workshops!

D&I Conference Registration Details	**Pre-Conference Workshop Information**

The conference is co-hosted by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and AcademyHealth.

Come meet in person with those interested in implementation science in maternal health at an event co-sponsored by AMETHIST!

Sunday, December 8th
5:00-7:00 pm ET

AMETHIST is partnering with the IS4MH Interest Group to hold an adjunct meeting at the end of the first day of pre-conference workshops on Sunday, Dec. 8th from 5-7pm. This session provides an opportunity for researchers at the intersection of implementation science and maternal health to connect with and learn from each other. The program features networking and lightning talks of maternal health posters at the D&I conference.

This session is open to all but space is limited. Dinner will be served. Please RSVP by Oct. 31st 2024 **here**.

Early on in your career or know someone who is?

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is hosting an Early-Career Technical Assistance Workshop on the last day of D&I on Wednesday, December 11th, 2024 from 1-5pm ET. Topics covered will include funding opportunities, foundational implementation science methods, and roundtable discussion including opportunity for 1:1 project feedback!

Registration closes Nov. 1st and the link to register can be found **here**. Please reach out to **ditaworkshop@va.gov** for more information.

October Office Hours for IMPROVE Trainees

Are you a trainee involved with one of the IMPROVE Centers of Excellence? If you are looking for **assistance with IDP creation and feedback, career development award guidance, or advice on the design and conduct of a small-scale implementation project**, feel free to sign up for office hours with our AMETHIST Training Core Co-Leads or Co-Investigators.

Trainees may include post-docs, undergraduate or medical students, junior faculty, or anyone in a structured training program.

Sign up here for a 20-minute session:
Monthly Training Core Office Hours - SignUp Sheet

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Design Core Spotlight

Katelin Hoskins, PhD, MBE is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Biobehavioral Health Science at Penn Nursing. Her research goals center on partnering with organizations, clinicians, families, and community members to equitably implement and scale up evidence-based interventions.

Dr. Hoskins supports AMETHIST as a co-investigator within the Equity Core. Through our design consultations, Dr. Hoskins can provide your team with insights leveraging her professional experience in topics of mental health, community engagement, health equity in implementation science, and mixed-methods study design.

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The AMETHIST Design Core offers consultations to support your project at all stages. Our team has a broad range of expertise that includes fields like human factors engineering and research methods like biophysical outcome analysis. Reach out to us through email or the request assistance form in the collaboration portal to schedule a consultation with our team.

Request a consultation using this form.

AMETHIST@Penn-IMPROVE Centers of Excellence
Year 2 Follow-Up Survey & Virtual Site Visits

The AMETHIST@Penn IMPROVE Centers of Excellence Follow-Up Survey is currently being developed for year 2. CoEs will soon have the opportunity to indicate any changes to their center's needs related to implementation science design, community engagement, policy, and training. Additional planning is also underway for year 2 virtual site visits with the CoEs.
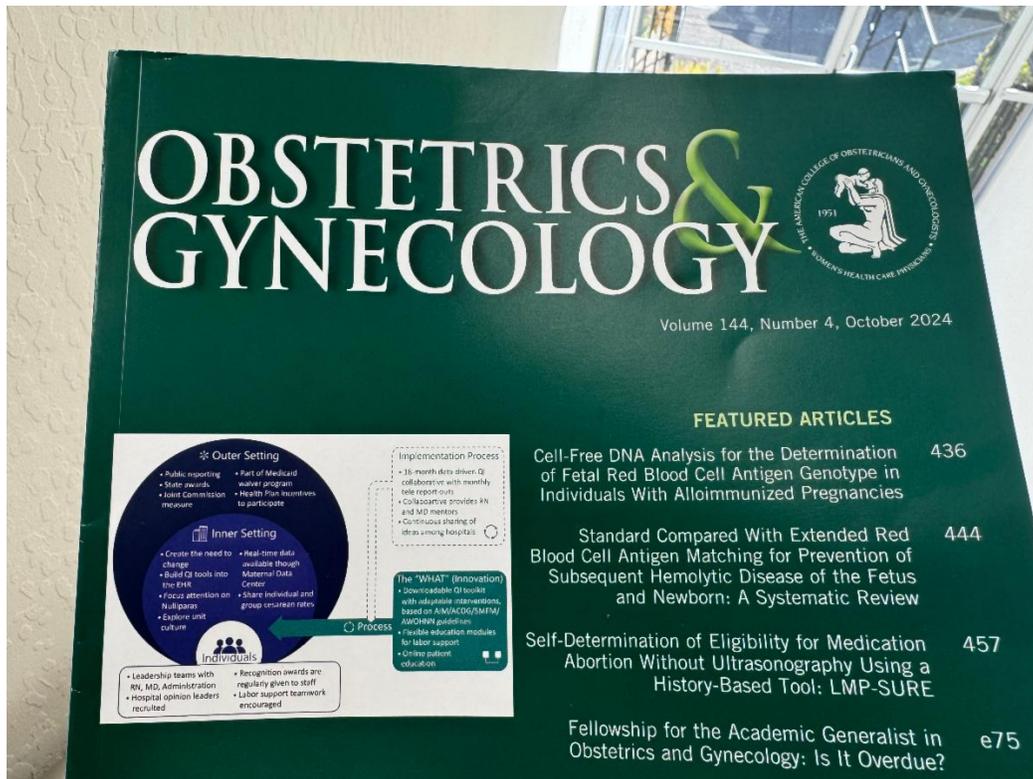
CoEs, please keep an eye out for an email from us regarding scheduling and more

information on preparing for your Y2 virtual site visit!

If there have been any changes to your primary contact list, please email these updates to **AMETHIST@pennmedicine.upenn.edu**.

Congratulations to our Colleagues at Stanford University for their Feature in this Month's ACOG Green Journal!

The Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR) at work:

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) Green Journal Volume 144, Number 4 (October 2024)

Highlighted is cover art of Stanford University School of Medicine's CFIR diagram for analysis of an implementation plan for the successful statewide Nulliparous, Term, Singleton, and Vertex cesarean section (NTSV CS) project.

Check out this month's digital volume

Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine: 2025 Pregnancy Meeting

Registration is now open for prospective attendees!

The *Implementation Science in Obstetrics* forum on Jan. 27th, 2025 (3:00-5:00pm MT) will be run by Michelle Debbink, MD, PhD of the University of Utah (ELEVATE) IMPROVE Center of Excellence, and Michelle Moniz, MD, MSc., of the University of Michigan.

View Important Dates & Deadlines

Internal AMETHIST@Penn Third Family Meeting

We are pleased to announce our third AMETHIST@Penn Family Meeting taking place on Thursday, Nov. 21st, 2024 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm ET.

This meeting will bring together our internal members to discuss core-specific updates, suggestions and guidance for success in grant year 2, and more!

Additional details including an agenda and a map of our venue will be provided at a later date.

Open Faculty Position with Michigan State University (MIRACLE Center of Excellence)

The deadline to apply is **October 31st, 2024!**

Full Details Here

Share your Maternal Health Implementation Science Opportunities with Us!

Would you like to share current job postings or training events related to maternal health implementation science with us? Please email these opportunities to **AMETHIST@pennmedicine.upenn.edu** to promote in our monthly newsletters!

Check out our library of resources or request a consult!

IMPROVE Collaboration Portal

Connect with us!