



January 2025 News & Updates

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Happy New Year from AMETHIST@Penn!

We are excited to start a new year with you all and look forward to what we can do to advance maternal health equity together!

A special thank you to our IS4MH & AMETHIST adjunct session attendees at the AcademyHealth D&I Conference this past December! We hope you found it informative and inspiring.



January Office Hours for IMPROVE Trainees

Wednesday, January 15th

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](#)

January 2025 Implementation Science Readings

In lieu of this month's seminar, we are providing some readings that build off of December's presentation on designing implementation science research studies from a biostatistical point of view.

- Hussey, Michael A., and James P. Hughes. "Design and analysis of stepped wedge cluster randomized trials." *Contemporary clinical trials* 28.2 (2007): 182-191. [Design and analysis of stepped wedge cluster randomized trials - ScienceDirect](#)
- Hemming, Karla, and Monica Taljaard. "Key considerations for designing, conducting and analysing a cluster randomized trial." *International journal of epidemiology* 52.5 (2023): 1648-1658. [Key considerations for designing, conducting and analysing a cluster randomized trial | International Journal of Epidemiology | Oxford Academic](#)



Upcoming February Virtual Seminar: Manuscript Writing for Biomedical Journals

Looking for support in writing a manuscript?
Join us February 7th at 1 PM!

LauraEllen Ashcraft, PhD, MSW of the AMETHIST Design Core will be leading a training seminar on manuscript writing for biomedical journals. From learning about what content is needed for different types of journals to tips on submitting implementation science project manuscripts, this seminar will serve as a comprehensive session to help ensure your next manuscript is successful.

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

AMETHIST@Penn Research Scholar Opportunities: Maternal Health Implementation Science

Applications are due January 20th, 2025

**AMETHIST@Penn Maternal Health
Implementation Science
Nurse Research Scholar**

AMETHIST@Penn is seeking applicants

**AMETHIST@Penn Maternal Health
Implementation Science
Physician Research Scholar**

AMETHIST@Penn is seeking applicants

for a 1–2 year remote training and mentorship program. **This opportunity is open to:**

- Nurses who have completed a PhD and are within 3 years of their terminal training program. This includes:
 - PhD students who have passed their qualifications
 - Postdocs
 - Assistant professors within 3 years of appointment
- Employed at one of the 12 IMPROVE CoEs or 2 associated Hubs

[Nurse Research Scholar Information & Application](#)

for a 1-2 year remote training and mentorship program. **This opportunity is open to:**

- MD/DOs who completed an OBGYN residency
- Are either in a post-residency fellowship program, or within 3-years of completing their terminal training (either residency or fellowship)
- Employed at one of the 12 IMPROVE CoEs or 2 associated Hubs

[Physician Research Scholar Information & Application](#)



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](#)

More Information on SMFM Selected Sessions

For those attending the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine Pregnancy Meeting later this month, the AMETHIST Design Core has compiled a selection of equity and implementation science-related sessions happening [there!](#)



Wake Forest University School of Medicine

Mid-Career Faculty Position in Implementation Science

Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Department of Implementation Science

The Department of Implementation Science at Wake Forest University is seeking an MD, PhD, PharmD (or equivalent) to join their team as mid-career faculty, primarily studying health service research in surgery.

[View the Full Job Posting Here](#)

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 open for year 2. CoEs now have the opportunity to indicate any changes to their center's needs related to implementation science design, community engagement, policy, and training. Contact PIs should have received the survey link; please have your team fill this out at your earliest convenience if you haven't already!

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, or if you have any other questions, please send an email to AMETHIST@pennteam.upenn.edu.

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@pennteam.upenn.edu to promote in our monthly newsletters!

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