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The CPM Resource Center Healthcare Consortium Earns Prestigious Award From The National Academies of Practice

*Interdisciplinary Group Recognition Award Lauds
CPM Resource Center's Healthcare Consortium*

GRAND RAPIDS, MI - March 24, 2010 – The Healthcare Consortium of the [Clinical Practice Model Resource Center](#) (CPMRC), an Elsevier company, is the 2010 recipient of the National Academies Practice (NAP) Interdisciplinary Group Recognition Award. Bestowed annually on groups that make “enduring contributions to interdisciplinary education and practice,” the [NAP](#) award recognizes CPMRC’s 25-year-old Healthcare Consortium of nearly 300 healthcare organizations for implementing an innovative interdisciplinary professional practice framework across multiple care settings through interdisciplinary teams.

“With new and emerging meaningful use requirements for care coordination and interdisciplinary collaboration, and with interdisciplinary team building moving to the top of policy-makers’ agendas, our Healthcare Consortium is more essential than ever,” said Michelle Troseth, MSN, RN, DPNAP, CPMRC’s Executive Vice President and Chief Professional Practice Officer. “Consortium members are truly pioneers in exploring new models of care and improving practice at the point of care. Our Member’s clinical and financial outcomes can be replicated throughout the nation to facilitate sustainable healthcare transformation.”

The Consortium’s Clinical Practice Model embraces both educational and practice settings. The model’s core beliefs are related to safe, individualized healthcare, healthy work culture, continuous learning, evidence-based action, partnership, individual accountability, shared mission, vision and values healthy relationships, Troseth said.

Members of the Consortium share lessons learned through Partnership Councils, which encourage partnerships across settings and teamwork across disciplines; Consortium Gatherings, which advance models of care that address interdisciplinary scope of practice, evidence-based practice application, integrated clinical documentation within health information technology; and the CPMRC International Conference, which highlights outcomes produced in the clinical settings of Consortium members.

“Over the past 25 years, the Consortium has generated a vast repository of practical and theoretical knowledge on how to address the complexities of healthcare,” said Tracy Christopherson, RRT, CPMRC’s Director of Interdisciplinary Practice. “By fostering interdisciplinary partnership and team-building within and across settings, Consortium members have emerged as thought leaders in building models that transform culture and practice at the point of care. Statistically significant outcomes such as reductions in patient falls, ventilator-assisted pneumonia, and pressure ulcers have been replicated site after site, as well as increases in patient and staff satisfaction.”

Members of the nearly 300-member Consortium include large multi-state healthcare systems, university, community and rural settings as well as academic clinical schools.

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