24th annual
Primary Care Research Methods & Statistics Conference
December 2-4, 2011
The Menger Hotel
San Antonio, Texas

Conference Theme:
“Research with Vulnerable Populations”

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The theme of this year's conference is “Research with Vulnerable Populations”.

Conference Goals
In order to meet the increasing demands for high-quality research in primary care, this unique conference focuses on the development of research skills. It is designed to
1) encourage novice researchers to develop basic skills for primary care research; and
2) allow experienced researchers to expand and refine their repertoire of appropriate research techniques.

PLENARY SESSIONS
- Lillian Gelberg MD MSPH
  "Conducting Research with Homeless Populations"
  Dr. Gelberg is the George F. Kneller Professor of Family Medicine in the UCLA School of Medicine. She is a health services researcher and family physician who conducts community-based research on the health (physical health, mental health, drug and alcohol abuse), access to care, and quality of care of homeless and other vulnerable populations. She has studied homeless adults living in shelters and outdoor areas, and the health and use of health services in homeless and low-income housed patients. She attended Harvard Medical School and completed her internship and residency at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, N.Y. Gelberg earned an M.S.P.H. in health services research from the UCLA School of Public Health. She has been a member of the UCLA School of Medicine faculty since 1986.
- Stephen Blanchard PhD
  "Social Determinants of Health and Community Assessment"

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS:
Experienced Researcher Workshop
- William Rising PhD, Director of Educational Services, Stata Corp.
  “Stata Workshop for Experienced Researchers”
  Dr. Rising will present an advanced workshop for experienced Stata users. Prior to working at Stata Corp, he was in the Biostatistics departments of the University of Louisville and at Johns Hopkins, where he taught Mathematical Statistics, Measure Theory and Stata. He has been a Stata user since 1992. He has a PhD in Mathematics.
  Enrollment is strictly limited to 25 experienced Stata users.

Novice Researcher Workshop
- John G. Ryan DrPH, University of Miami
  “Methods Workshop for the Novice Researcher”
  Dr. Ryan will present a workshop designed to help novice researchers identify and develop a research question. The workshop will help participants generate a research hypothesis, evaluate potential study designs, select appropriate study variables, develop a plan of analysis, and plan for communication of research results. Dr. Ryan will also facilitate a series of small-group work sessions, each with a specific goal, to help participants implement the process outlined in the didactic portion of the workshop.
  Enrollment is strictly limited to 30 novice participants.
**Thematic Track: “Research with Vulnerable Populations**
- Conducting Research with Homeless Populations (Plenary) – Lillian Gelberg MD MSPH
- Pragmatic Action Research with Vulnerable Populations: Mexican-American Elders, Formerly Incarcerated Women, and Additional Examples – Mickey Parsons PhD RN

**Qualitative Methods Track:**
- Learning to Listen: Methods for Discovering Meaning in Texts – April A. Biasiolli MA
- Writing Primary Care Qualitative Research Well – Ronald J. Chenail PhD, Robin Cooper, PhD, and Maureen Duffy, PhD
- New Paradigms for Conducting Qualitative Research – Ronald J. Chenail PhD, Robin Cooper PhD, and Maureen Duffy PhD

**Statistics Track:**
- Stata Workshop for Novice Researchers (Workshop) – William Rising PhD
- Meta-analytic Methods for Combining Direct and Indirect Evidence in Systematic Reviews of Clinical Trials (Workshop) – John E. Cornell PhD
- Causal Modeling for Comparative Effectiveness Studies – Chen-Pin Wang PhD
- Principles for the Ethical Analysis of Clinical and Translational Research – Jonathon A L Gelfond MD PhD
- A Practical Approach to Missing Data in Scale Construction and Analysis (Workshop) – Raymond Palmer PhD

**Methodology Track:**
- Managing Research Projects From Conceptualization To Reporting (Project management: A Recipe for Success) – Henry C. Barry MD MS
- How to Conduct a Systematic Review: a Workshop – Robert Jacobson MD, Paul Darden MD
- Survey Design – Cindy Passmore MA

**Thematic Panel**
- Challenges in Conducting Research with Vulnerable Populations

**Academic Panel Discussion**
- New Paradigms in Primary Care Research

**Continuing Nursing Education:**
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association and accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.
This activity provides up to 17.0 contact hours
Location and Accommodations
The “Primary Care Research Methods & Statistics Conference” will be held in San Antonio’s Menger Hotel, located at 204 Alamo Plaza. The Menger is a member of the Historic Hotels of American and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. It is located next to The Alamo.

A block of guest rooms has been reserved at The Menger at a special conference rate for single or double accommodations. Please make your reservations directly with the hotel and identify yourself as an attendee of the Primary Care Research Methods & Statistics Conference to be guaranteed the special rate.

The block of rooms and rate will be honored until November 18, 2011. Reservations received after this cutoff date will be accepted on the basis of availability, but the conference rate cannot be assured after November 18, 2011. Since December is a delightful and popular time to visit San Antonio and The Menger Hotel, we urge you to make your reservations early. All reservations will be held only until 4:00 p.m. on the specified day of arrival unless guaranteed by a major credit card or first night’s deposit. It is imperative to make your reservations early!

Contact information:
The Menger Hotel, 204 Alamo Plaza San Antonio, Texas 78205
Phone (210) 223-4361   Toll-free (800) 345-9285   Fax: 210-228-0022
Website: http://mengerhotel.com   Email: mengерreservations@1859historichotels.com
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Registration
The registration fee is $295 if postmarked by November 18, 2011, or $350 after November 18, 2011. Special fees have been established for Fellows and Students at $195 early/$250 late, with written verification. All presenters must be registered to attend the conference and pay the full registration fee.

To register for the conference, please follow the instructions for the online registration process (below). If you must cancel your registration, tuition will be refunded with a deduction of a $40 administrative fee provided notice is received prior to November 18, 2011. The sponsors reserve the right to cancel the conference no less than one week prior to the course should circumstances make it necessary. In that event, registration fees will be refunded.

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Legend: B – Beginner; I – Intermediate; E – Experienced
ONLINE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS (follow carefully):
Important: registrations are required to be completed online. Phone, handwritten/typed registrations will not be taken. Refer to the brochure when registering.

1. Registration must be made online: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VGY5CZM (click the link or copy and paste into your web browser).
2. Complete each registration page carefully, clicking NEXT at the end of each page. You have the option to go back to a previous page if you need to make a change, just click PREVIOUS button.
3. All registration fields require an answer. If an answer is not provided then you will not be able to advance to the next page.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:
1. Credit Card payments must be made online at the time you register so please have the credit card available.
   a. Choose the payment that reflects your registration.
2. Check payment option:
   a. Checks should be mailed in with a printed copy of the check pay page. If a check is mailed without the check paypage, it cannot be applied to the registration.
   
Make check payable to UTHSCSA School of Nursing
   Mail to: UTHSCSA School of Nursing
   7703 Floyd Curl Drive MSC 7946
   San Antonio, TX 78229-3900
   Attn: Sherece McGoon, Nursing Continuing Education
3. UTHSCSA IDT payment option:
   a. Please click Check (also UTHSCSA Option for IDT) on payment page.
   b. When prompted provide the name of the department and phone # that the funds will come out of, we will contact that department to process IDT Payment.
   c. Please print the Check Paypage to submit with IDT so paperwork can be matched with registrants.

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CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY:
If a circumstance arises and you need to cancel, we understand, please be aware no matter what the circumstance you are required to adhere to this policy. Suggestion, you are encouraged to send a substitute. All cancellations must be submitted via email to mcgoon@uthscsa.edu and received by November 18, 2011. Cancellations emailed by November 21 will be issued a refund less a $50.00 administrative fee. Absolutely no refunds can be granted if notification is made after November 18. Cancellations will not be accepted over the phone. Refunds will be processed no later than 30 days following the conference. The conference hosts reserve the right to substitute speakers or cancel and reschedule sessions due to any unforeseen circumstances.