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RESEARCH CORE

Biostatistics; Design; Methodology; Research support and assistance; Data collection; Survey research; Qualitative research; Research administration; Budget management; IRB assistance.

PILOT PROJECTS

Pilot #1: Pilot Study #1: Intervening to improve medication safety during transition from hospital to skilled nursing facility: Evaluation of a medication reconciliation program.

Investigators: Kathleen H. Miller (Nursing), Alice Bonner (Nursing), Jennifer Tjia (Geriatric Medicine), Becky Briesacher (Economics/Health Services Research), Sarah McGee (Geriatric Medicine).

Pilot #2: Patient education about anticoagulation medication: Are anecdotes or evidence more effective?

Investigators: Kathy Mazor (Psychology), Joann Baril (Psychology), Elizabeth Dugan (Geriatric Medicine), Fred Spencer (Cardiovascular Medicine), Pamela Burgwinkle (Nursing), Jerry Gurwitz (Geriatric Medicine).

Pilot #3: Among breast cancer survivors who gets follow-up mammograms and why?

Investigators: Jan Mutchler (Social Gerontology), Terry Field (Epidemiology), Elizabeth Dugan (Geriatric Medicine), Katie Dodd (Geriatrics).

Pilot #4: Patterns of care and medication use of older patients with diabetes. Investigators: Jennifer Tjia (Geriatric Medicine) and others.

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CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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