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U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans Health Administration Quality Enhancement Research Initiative

StrAtegic PoLicy EvIdence-Based Evaluation CeNTer (SALIENT)

Rigorous evaluation, knowledge dissemination, and training to facilitate rapid and effective implementation of VA policies and programs.



The **StrA**tegic PoLicy EvIdence-Based Evaluation Ce**NT**er **(SALIENT)** will provide evidence that supports implementation of programs and policies based on rigorously conducted evaluations.

SALIENT Overview

Team Locations



Problem Being Addressed

All federal agencies, including the Department of Veterans Affairs, are required to support appropriation requests with evidence and evaluation (US Public Law 115-435; the Evidence Act).

Project Description and Strategies

SALIENT has assembled a team with diverse expertise and follows a guiding framework that facilitates rapid development for planning, producing, and implementing the evaluation plan and key activities.

Our Approach

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Develop and conduct comprehensive evaluations using a wide range of approaches to address VA priority areas

Develop and deploy knowledge translation resources to communicate findings that enhance implementation of evidence-based practices

Develop best practices in policy evaluation and implementation

Train the next generation of evaluation and implementation scientists

Principal Investigator: Mary Jo Pugh PhD, RN

Multiple Principal Investigators: Jolie Haun PhD P. Jon White MD



SALIENT Methods and Approach

Cores

The Operations Core (OC) provides programmatic support to Evaluation teams regarding project management.



- Facilitates achievement of project goals and outcomes
- **Ensures Evaluation meets** stakeholder expectations
- Maintains timelines and milestones to ensure timely completion of evaluations

The Methods Core (MC) ensures that appropriate, rigorous methods are used to conduct evaluations.



- Selects appropriate Evaluation design and methodological approaches using quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods approaches
- Ensures scientific rigor of Evaluation

The Knowledge Translation Core (KTC)

disseminates and communicates Evaluation results.

- Develops knowledge playbooks and dissemination tools for each evaluation
- Provides outreach to operations partners, policymakers, and the research community
- Provides training and mentorship for early career investigators

FY23 SALIENT Priority Areas

- Quality and cost of community care
- EHR modernization
- Employment among post-9/11 Veterans
- Long-term, non-institutional, and home care services
- Health disparities and social determinants of health
- Women's health
- Suicide prevention

Improved Multi-level Outcomes: Health, Equity, Cost, Provider Wellbeing

Optimized Policies and Programs for Veteran Populations

SALIENT Impacts

Advances in Science of Dissemination and Knowledge Translation

Expansion of Workforce in Implementation and Dissemination Science

Key Operations Partners

VA Office of Epidemiology	Office of Primary Care	Office of Mental He Suicide Preve
National Center for Homelessness Among Veterans	Center for Women Veterans	Office of Commur
Office of Health Equity	National Neurology Program Office	Office of Rural I
Office of Connected Care	National Infectious Disease Service	National Surgery

For more information, check out: https://www.queri.research.va.gov/

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