



Now Accepting Health Center Applications for 2018 Learning Collaboratives:

1) Improving the Quality of End of Life Care for Older Adults in Health Centers

Community health centers face many challenges to providing patients with optimal end of life care. Primary care may be fragmented from specialty, palliative and hospice care.

The NCECE is hosting a six session Learning Collaborative to discuss end of life care including advance directives, end of life decisions, palliative care, hospice, and caregiver/family support.

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2) Substance Use Disorders (SUD) and Addictions Among Older Adults in Health Centers

Research suggests that substance use (illicit drug use, use of alcohol in combination with other substances, or nonmedical use of pharmaceuticals (e.g., prescription medications, OTC remedies)) is an emerging public health issue among our nation's older adults.

The NCECE is hosting a six session Learning Collaborative to explore the issues and causes of substance use disorder (SUD) including opioid use, how SUD uniquely affects older adults, and share innovative practices of SUD screening, referral and case management.

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To learn more about these learning collaboratives go to: <https://ece.hsdm.harvard.edu/>

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