Community Engagement & PACT Colleagues and Friends,

Lots of changes in the PACT Council, but we're ready to rock 'n' roll...
This spring, three PACT Council members submitted their resignations—Noel Dunne, Jim Hill, and John Steiner. This last PACT Council meeting, Wilson Pace also resigned. Although turnover in any group is inevitable, we are sad to see these talented individuals move on to other exciting ventures. Nevertheless, we are delighted to welcome four new PACT Council Members: Jim Beaudry, Kaiser Permanente Colorado, Institute for Health Research; Michele Lueck, Colorado Health Institute; Jamal Moloo, University of Colorado Denver, Departments of Medicine and Radiology; and Comilla Sasson, University of Colorado Denver, Department of Emergency Medicine. All have a wide range of skill sets and expertise that, no doubt, will serve the PACT well. We'll have an opportunity to become better acquainted at the next PACT Council meeting in September.

Larry Green officially passed the baton of PACT Council Chair to Maret Felzien during the last PACT Council meeting. Maret had served the past five years as PACT Council Vice Chair—did a marvelous job, by the way—and now will serve two years as Chair. Larry will continue with the PACT Council one year more as Past Chair.

The PACT Executive Committee closed its search for the new Director of Community Engagement & Research position and presented a recommendation to the PACT Council at its last meeting. The PACT Council approved the recommendation, which will now be forwarded to the CCTSI Principle Investigator, University leadership, and finally NIH approval. Thank you to all who applied, and perhaps we will work together in other capacities.

Upcoming...

- **Saturday, July 27, 2013, 8:30am, 3rd Annual Destination Health Walk/Run/Learn** at Denver's City Park, presented by the Center for African American Health. 5K and one mile walk/run. Fun for the whole family with more than 50 booths, activities, and entertainment. For information and registration: [http://www.caahealth.org/destinationHealth_2013.htm](http://www.caahealth.org/destinationHealth_2013.htm).

- **Wednesday, August 7, 2013, 11:00am-Noon MDT, AHRQ Clinical-Community Relationships Webinar**, Clinical Community Relationships as a Pathway to Improve Health: Tools for Research and Evaluation. Join AHRQ for a special Web event that will provide an overview of recent efforts focused on the area of clinical-community relationships, including an in-depth look at two new tools designed to support research and evaluation in the field—the Clinical-Community Relationship Measures (CCRM) Atlas and the Clinical-Community Relationships Evaluation Roadmap. Register now at:
Monday, August 12, 2013, Noon-1:30pm, PACT Ethics Committee Meeting. To be held at Anschutz Medical Campus site: Fulginiti Pavilion, UPI Conference Room R27-105 (1st floor), 13080 E. 19th Avenue, Aurora. Bring your brown bag lunch.


Wednesday, August 28, 2013, Noon-1:30pm, Levitt Distinguished Speaker Series, Transforming Health Care: An Approach to System-wide Implementation, Anschutz Medical Campus, Education 2 South building, Room 1102 (13121 E. 17th Ave, Aurora). Speaker: Rafel Bengoa, Former Minister of Health, Basque Country, Spain; Chair, Health Policy and Leadership, Duesto Business School, Bilbao, who laid the foundations to restructure the Basque health system. He’s also been called upon to consult with the Obama Administration about the Affordable Care Act. Register by August 23 at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/10dQHCGU0mp9YwwOV4G3gFnWi-vnFHT4lZYWS-TkBEE/viewform?pli=1.

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IOM Report: Toward Quality Measures for Population Health and the Leading Health Indicators
The Institute of Medicine was asked to examine the intersection of HHS's public health quality effort and the Leading Health Indicators in Healthy People 2020, the nation's 10-year agenda for advancing toward long, healthy lives for all. http://www.iom.edu/Reports/2013/Toward-Quality-Measures-for-Population-Health-and-the-Leading-Health-Indicators.aspx

Health Perspectives: Denver
The Colorado Coalition for the Medically Underserved released its ninth infographic on Denver
residents. Even though Denver is one of the healthiest cities in the country, 19% of the population is in fair or poor health compared to 15% of all Coloradans. Read about a few other interesting facts at: http://www.ccmu.org/public-commentary/articles-publications/infographic-series/health-perspectives-denver/.

Congratulations...
Our Community Engagement Project Coordinator, Paige Backlund Jarquin brought her new baby girl, Amity Rae Backlund Jarquin, into the world on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 7:41pm. The baby was 6 lbs 15 ozs, 20 inches long, and cute! Paige said, so far, Amity's main occupation is sleeping, which was just fine with her!

Some may recall in the early days of the PACT Council that Jim Dearing, PhD, Kaiser Permanente Colorado, served as scientific staff on the PACT Research Agenda Committee. From the Kaiser's Summer 2013 IHR Insider newsletter, we learned that Jim will be leaving Kaiser and has accepted a position as professor and chair of the Department of Communication at Michigan State University. We wish him well in his new position.

Cordially,

Larry Green and Montelle Tamez
August 28, 2013

Dr. Rafael Bengoa
Former Minister of Health, Basque Country, Spain
Chair, Health Policy and Leadership,
Deusto Business School, Bilbao
Laid foundations to restructure the Basque health system
Member, Obama’s Healthcare Reform Team

Noon-1:30pm
Transforming Health Care:
An Approach to System-wide Implementation
The Experience of the Basque Health Care System

AMC, Education 2 South Bldg.
Room #1102
13121 E. 17th Avenue
Aurora, Colorado 80045

RSVP here by 8/23
Visitor parking
Complimentary lunch

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