HSR&D and QUERI Centers, projects, Career Development Awards, and highlighted publications in Iowa City include:

**COIN (Center of Innovation):**

**Center for Comprehensive Access & Delivery Research and Evaluation (CADRE)**

*Director: Eli Perencevich, MD, MS*

CADRE’s mission is to develop, implement and test innovative strategies that expand access to high-quality primary and specialty care, while ensuring that the care delivered is safe and free of preventable infections.

**CREATE (Collaborative Research to Enhance and Advance Transformation and Excellence):**

**Advancing MRSA Infection Prevention**

*Director: Eli Perencevich, MD, MS*

This CREATE will examine a number of approaches to MRSA prevention and eradication within VA. Projects funded in this CREATE include:

- Building an Optimal Hand Hygiene Bundle: A Mixed Methods Approach – *Heather Reisinger, PhD*
- Checklist to Prevent MRSA Surgical Site Infections – *Eli Perencevich, MD, MS*
- Preventing MRSA Infections: A Virtual Comparative Effectiveness Model – *Michael Rubin, MD, PhD* (housed in Salt Lake City)
- Comparative Safety and Effectiveness of Contact Isolation in VA Community Living Centers (CLCs) – *Daniel Morgan, MD, MS* (housed in Baltimore)

**Evidence-Based Therapies for PTSD**

*Director: Nina Sayer, PhD (Minneapolis)*

A project funded under this CREATE that is housed in Iowa City is:

- Web and Shared Decision-Making for Reserve/National Guard Women's PTSD Care – *Anne Sadler, PhD, RN*

**QUERI Partnered Evaluation Initiative:**

**Advancing Healthcare Innovation: A Partnered-Evaluation of Geriatric Patient-Aligned Care Team (GeriPACT) Implementation**

*Lead Site Investigator: Samantha Solimeo, PhD*

The Geriatric Patient Aligned Care Team (GeriPACT) model offers an alternative to standard Patient-Aligned Care Teams (PACTs) by providing frail, elderly Veterans and their caregivers with access to the most appropriate care for their healthcare needs with a single point-of-contact for multidisciplinary Geriatric Care. This Partnered Initiative will examine how GeriPACTs are structured, how variations in programs across VAMCs influence the care that Veterans receive, and whether GeriPACTs improve the patient and provider experience.

**Currently Funded Projects**

- Dual Health Systems Users: Strategies to Implement Optimal Care Coordination – *Carolyn Turvey, PhD, MS*
- Effectiveness of Telehealth Collaborative Care for Veterans with HIV in Rural and Outlying Settings – *Michael Ohl, MD, MSPH*
• An Effectiveness Trial of the Triage Algorithm for PACT Pharmacy Services – Brian Lund, PharmD, MS
• Impact of Sexual Assault and Combat-Related Trauma on Fertility in Veterans – Ginny Ryan, MD

Current Career Development Awardees
• Michael Ohl, MD, MSPH – Improving Access and Outcomes for Rural Veterans with HIV
• Marin Schweizer, PhD – Comparative Effectiveness of Strategies to Control S. Aureus Infections
• Samantha Solimeo, PhD – Evaluating and Improving Osteoporosis Care for Male Veterans

Highlighted Publications
• Study Shows VA Hospital Observation Stays Increasing

• Bundled Intervention Associated with Lower Rates of Surgical Site Infections following Cardiac or Orthopedic Operations

• Study Identifies Early Discontinuation and Sub-Optimal Dosing for Drug to Treat Sleep Disorders Associated with PTSD

• Study Shows Significant Rise in Opioid Prescribing within VA

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