

ATLANTA AREA COALITION
ON AGING & MENTAL HEALTH

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PRESENT: Eve H. Byrd, Fuqua Center
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Tracking System – Conference DVD

- The log-in/tracking system for the conference presentation videos is up and running on the Fuqua Web site – Click the following link and scroll down to watch a video <http://www.fuquacenter.org/AtlantaCoalition>
- So far the tracking system indicates one external person, a Ph.D. from Kennesaw, signed in to watch one of the videos – this may be because we are holding off on advertising broadly until the link to NASW for CE credits is available -
 - Sue Fort has submitted the test questions for each presentation to the CE Committee for approval – await feedback on where this now stands
- ARGEC's web also has viewer tracking capability so the video will also be incorporated and tracked using the ARGEC web site

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Workforce Development

- Discussion continued on planning ideas for the next workforce development group – nurses who are currently in the workforce
- A draft modification of the survey monkey questions used for SW was presented and discussed – suggestions were made and will be incorporated
- There was discussion on how to best gather input from nurses - GNA does not share their e-mail list although they do sell their mailing list

- It was decided that a random sample of nurses would be surveyed via survey monkey and we'd try and access the nurses for the sample as follows:
 - 3 Hospitals – Emory, Grady and Piedmont
 - Eve will talk to nursing services at Emory and Grady and see if they'll let us use their nursing data base and Cathy will talk to someone she knows at Piedmont
 - 3 large local University Schools of Nursing – Emory – Georgia State and Kennesaw – asking to access their metro Atlanta nursing alumni
 - We will also check with Rebecca Dillard to see if she has any list-serve groups of nurses that we could send the survey

ARGEC Update

- ARGEC'S annual performance report goes in on August 31 and includes the demographic data and head count of participants from all of the various ARGEC educational activities. Rebecca offered her thanks to the AACAMH and members for their support this year. Programs through AACAMH/ARC really helped boost numbers and round out their program nicely.
- HRSA is still trying to determine what demographic information they want ARGEC to collect on participants in ARGEC programs for the 2011-2012 year. In 2010-2011, they used the scantron forms which presented some challenges so they plan to switch over to a simpler format that is more easily emailed and doesn't require a #2 pencil.

Other

- Allan Goldman will be retiring on October 1 after 35 years plus of service to the State of Georgia. Allan will continue teaching at Emory and will continue to be involved with various projects related to serving older adults. We wish you the best Allan and thank you for all you have done to better the lives of so many.
- Attached is a flyer for "Together We Can: Looking Back, Moving Forward" a conference for Georgia's Suicide Prevention Stakeholders being held September 8-10 in Macon. Registration is free – go to <http://www.cviog.uga.edu/dbhdd/spstakeholders>

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regularly scheduled meeting is October 19, 2011