Oregon Rural Practice-based Research Network (ORPRN)

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Brief ORPRN Orientation

- Who, What and Why???
- How do you connect with ORPRN?
- Meet us and share your research and quality improvement ideas
Illness in 1,000 persons during a one month period
(source: White, et. al. 1961)
The Reach of Research

- It is estimated that it takes an average of 17 years to turn 14% of original research to reach practice and benefit the patients they care for.
  (Balas and Boren. Yearbook of Medical Informatics 2000:65-70)

- A 1998 review of published studies on the quality of care found that only 3 of 5 patients with chronic conditions receive recommended care.
  (Schuster M, McGlynn E, Brook R. How good is the quality of health care in the United States? Milbank Quarterly 1998;76:517-63)
Translational Research Roadmap

- Funded Research
- ORPRN Clinicians
- Patients
- Communities
Primary care Practice-Based Research Networks (PBRNs)

- A group of ambulatory primary care practices affiliated to investigate questions related to community practice
- Uses the community and practice as a laboratory
- Access to important, neglected phenomena
- Links questions from practice to answers for practice
A Broken Health Care System

- The current system cannot do the job of improving health care. Trying harder will not work. Changing systems of care will.

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The mission of ORPRN is to improve the health of rural Oregonians by conducting and promoting research in partnerships with the communities and practitioners we serve.
Oregon Rural Practice-based Research Network at Oregon Health & Science University

- Founded in 2002
- All rural
- 152 clinicians
- 47 practices in 37 communities

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Connecting with People and Practices
Oregon Rural Practice-based Research Network
Dunes Family Health Care
Circa 1977
ORPRN Team

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OUR Bosses
The ORPRN Steering Committee
The Rural Life