NATIONAL AWARD FROM CAHME (Commission on the Accreditation of Health Management Education)

CAHME, the accrediting agency for MHSA, sponsors four national awards. Xavier MHSA has already won two inaugural awards—one for the top program in the country for health management education and the other for the top program in the country for sustainability in healthcare management education. This spring 2019 CAHME established a new and fourth award for faculty called, “CAHME/Wharton Research Data Services Best Paper for Empirical Research Award”. On Friday, April 26, 2019, CAHME’s President, Dr. Anthony Stanowski, let us know that Xavier faculty won the inaugural faculty research award.

Congratulations to Dr. Eddie Hooker and to Dr. Peter Mallow with HECOR graduate Michelle Oglesby for their article, “Characteristics and Trends of Emergency Department Visits in the USA 2010-2014.” Their article is attached and here’s a synopsis of it for pertinence to practitioners:

Claims data is a rich resource to understand real-world trends and their implications to healthcare. However, existing classification systems, such as ICD-9 and Healthcare Cost Utilization Project (HCUP) Clinical Classification Software (CCS) provide such specificity that they hinder meaningful insight and decision making, especially in emergency care.

Our project utilized multiple sources of quantitative data, sophisticated statistical analysis, and extensive student involvement to create a novel diagnostic-based classification system to examine trends in the emergency departments throughout the U.S. Data were obtained from the HCUP Nationwide Emergency Department Sample (NEDS) for the years 2010-2014. This new classification system allowed us to identify mental health and substance abuse (MH) as one of the top 5 reasons for visiting an ED. It would not have been a top 20 reason for visiting under other classification systems. We also examined trends in ED demographics. The article was presented at a national meeting and published in a top-tier emergency medicine journal.

XAVIER RESEARCH AWARDS On Friday, April 26, 2019, Xavier’s Celebration of Research and Creativity, BSHSA students and a faculty member received the event’s top awards.

BSHSA students Christina Driskell (left) and Julia Schlich (right) received the “Student Researchers of the Year” Award. This was the first-ever team award to students in the 25-year history of the event.

Faculty member Dr. Eileen Alexander (center) received the “Undergraduate Research Mentor of the Year”.

The students’ research project was, “Xavier BSHSA Students Support Population Health: Creating a Genetic Database for TriHealth Cancer Institute.”

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