

LEADING ORGANIZATIONS

Institute of Healthcare Improvement

An independent not-for-profit organization based in Boston, MA, that has been a leading innovator, convener, partner, and driver of results in health and health care improvement worldwide for more than 25 years.

Rural Health Information Hub

Funded by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, this national clearinghouse provides access to current and reliable resources and tools to help you learn about rural health needs and work to address them.

National Center for Interprofessional Practice & Education

Charged to provide the leadership, evidence and resources needed to guide the nation on interprofessional education and collaborative practice, NEXUS aims to challenge tradition and create a deeply connected, integrated learning system to transform education and care together.

National Rural Health Association

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) is a national nonprofit membership organization that aims to provide leadership on rural health issues through advocacy, communications, education and research.

South Carolina Area Health Education Consortium (AHEC)

The South Carolina AHEC builds and supports healthcare workforce through recruiting, retaining, and educating healthcare professionals.

South Carolina Office of Rural Health

SCORH is a 501(c)3 non-profit statewide organization dedicated to improving the health of rural and underserved communities throughout the state.

RURAL DATA & STATISTICS

Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Shortage Areas, 2019

HRSA's Bureau of Health Workforce (BHW) develops shortage designation criteria and uses them to decide whether or not a geographic area or population group is a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA), Medically Underserved Area (MUA), or Medically Underserved Population (MUP).

America's Health Rankings Annual Report (United Health Foundation, 2018)

This report is the longest running annual assessment of the nation's health, on a state-by-state basis, analyzing a comprehensive set of behaviors, public and health policies, community and environmental conditions, and clinical care data to provide a holistic view of the health of the people in the nation.

PUBLISHED REPORTS

Stress in America: Paying with our health (APA, 2015)

This survey measures attitudes and perceptions of stress among the general public and identifies leading sources of stress, common behaviors used to manage stress and the impact of stress on our lives.

Core Competencies for Interprofessional Collaborative Practice: 2016 Update (IPEC, 2016)

This document has helped to frame the national dialogue on the need for interprofessional education and practice as a catalyst for improving team-based patient care and enhancing population health outcomes.

The Imperative for Strategic Workforce Planning and Development: Challenges and Opportunities (American Hospital Association, 2017)

The AHA's 2016 Committee on Performance Improvement (CPI) engaged hospital leaders and experts in the field to identify key workforce challenges. These are challenges that already exist today and are expected to be further exacerbated as transformation continues and pressures mount with the various dynamics of a changing payment and delivery system.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Re-producing rural health: Challenging dominant discourses and the manifestation of power (Malatzy & Bourke, 2016)

The paper calls for a re-framing of the field of rural health by promoting knowledge of its distinctiveness, the attractions of rural practice and the diversity of rural people. Such re-framing can challenge the dominantly produced discourses about rural health and shift the relations of power embedded in rural health's challenges.

IHI Framework for Improving Joy in Work (Perlo, Balik, Swensen, Kabcenell, Landsman, & Feeley, 2017)

This white paper is intended to serve as a guide for health care organizations to engage in a participative process where leaders ask colleagues at all levels of the organization, "What matters to you?" — enabling them to better understand the barriers to joy in work, and co-create meaningful, high-leverage strategies to address these issues.

Through the Eyes of the Workforce: Creating Joy, Meaning, & Safer Health Care (Lucian Leape Institute, 2013)

This report looks at the current state of health care as a workplace, highlights vulnerabilities common in health care organizations, discusses the costs of inaction, and outlines what a healthy and safe workplace would look like.

ONLINE ARTICLES & BROADCASTS

The U.S. is running out of nurses (Grant, 2016)

A commentary on the effect of an aging population on the nursing profession, specifically areas that have a history of nursing shortages.

Four big challenges facing HR professionals in the healthcare industry (Perucci, 2017)

A commentary on challenges that human resource departments in the healthcare industry may be facing, including staff shortages, high turnover rates, increased staff burnout, and the need for training and professional development opportunities.

How to Beat Burnout and Create Joy in Work (Feeley, Perlo, Balik, & Mann, 2017)

An episode on the Institute of Healthcare Improvement's (IHI) free audio program that features an expert panel discussing issues regarding joy in the workplace, while also building on a new IHI White Paper, *IHI Framework for Improving Joy in Work*.