

2004 PACE EVALUATION

KEY EVALUATION QUESTIONS AND METHODOLOGIES

1. To what extent do participants intend to use the techniques provided at the PACE seminar?

Method

- a. Post-seminar survey (written): This survey will measure participant's intent to use the techniques provided at the PACE seminar. [After each seminar.]
2. To what extent does PACE seminar participant's use of spirometry, asthma action plans, asthma education techniques and prescribed inhaled corticosteroids increase?

Methods

- a. Post-seminar survey (written): This survey will measure current use of asthma education, diagnosis and treatment methods and create a baseline for each participant that will be measured against the 4-week and 4-month follow-up. [After each seminar.]
 - b. Follow-up at 4-week interval (written): The follow-up will measure use of asthma education, diagnosis and treatment methods 4-weeks after attending the seminar. [Four weeks after seminar.]
 - c. Follow-up at 4-month interval (written): The follow-up will measure use of asthma education, diagnosis and treatment methods 4-months after attending the seminar. [Four months after seminar.]
3. Which topic areas do participants currently stress when educating patients about asthma?

Methods

- b. Follow-up at 4-week interval (written): The follow-up will identify topic areas that participants stress during conversations with patients. [Four weeks after seminar.]
 - c. Follow-up at 4-month interval (written): The follow-up will identify topic areas that participants stress during conversations with patients. [Four months after seminar.]
4. What barriers do participants and their patients experience while managing asthma?

Methods

- a. Post-seminar survey (written): This survey will measure participants' barriers to managing patient asthma as well as barriers that participants' perceive their patients are experiencing. [After each seminar.]
- b. Follow-up at 4-week interval (written): The follow-up will identify participants' barriers to managing patient asthma as well as barriers that participants' perceive their patients are experiencing. [Four weeks after seminar.]
- c. Follow-up at 4-month interval (written): The follow-up will identify participants' barriers to managing patient asthma as well as barriers that participants' perceive their patients are experiencing. [Four months after seminar.]

5. How can the PACE seminar be improved?

Methods

- a. Post-seminar survey (written): This survey will explore the areas in which participants require additional information. [After each seminar.]
- b. Follow-up at 4-week interval (written): The follow-up will identify areas of the training that need to be improved. [Four weeks after seminar.]
- b. Follow-up at 4-month interval (written): The follow-up will identify areas of the training that need to be improved. [Four months after seminar.]

Notes regarding the methods:

- The post-seminar surveys will be conducted with all participants at the conclusion of each seminar.
- Seminar 4-week and 4-month follow-up will be completed with as many participants as can be located at each data point. To increase likelihood of participation, seminar participants will be asked to address two envelopes to themselves that will be used to send the two follow-up mailings. In addition, a \$1.00 incentive will be provided with each follow-up survey.