Patient Education Interventions
Theoretical and Operational Considerations in Designing a Successful Trial

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Health Sciences Learning Center ● Room 1335

Featuring
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Sandra Ward studies how adults cope with cancer, with particular emphasis on pain and symptom management. Currently she is conducting a series of intervention studies testing ways to alter patients' negative ideas about using analgesics, with the ultimate goal of improving pain control for persons with cancer. As Director of the Center for Patient-Centered Interventions, Professor Ward assists students and faculty in the development and testing of innovative patient-centered interventions.

The lecture will cover
- Obtaining preliminary descriptive data about the phenomenon of interest
- Developing a theoretically grounded intervention
- Finding collaborators to complement your expertise
- Conducting feasibility and pilot studies
- Designing a randomized controlled trial to test the efficacy of your intervention

Pre-lecture readings
Before the lecture, you should read the following articles (also posted on RefShare at http://www.tinyurl.com/BehavioralIntervention)


