

Notice of Active Research Center Projects Involving VNSNY Patients and/or Staff: July 2022

NAME OF RESEARCH PROJECT	BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REGION	TEAMS	RECRUITMENT GOAL	STATUS	PROJECT DATES	RESEARCH CENTER CONTACT(S)
Community Aging in Place-Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE)	VNSNY is collaborating with Johns Hopkins University to test the effectiveness of a multi-component homebased intervention to enhance physical function of patients who have ADL difficulties following a recent hospitalization.	B,K,M,Q	CHHA All	Enroll 268 VNSNY patients	N=258	Data collection Start: August 2018 End Date: July 2022	Shivani Shah Shivani.Shah@vnsny.org (212) 609-6326
Using artificial intelligence to identify homecare patient's risk of hospitalization and emergency department visits: speech-recognition feasibility study	Exploring the feasibility of extracting information from audio-recorded verbal communications between patients and nurses during home healthcare encounters is innovative aspect of this study that can help to improve the prediction power of machine learning algorithms built on the patients' medical records.	K,Q	CHHA All	Enroll 4 Nurses along with a total of 65 of their patients	N=1 (Nurses) N=61 (Patients)	Data collection Start: January 2021 End Date: July 2022	Sasha Vergez Sasha.Vergez@vnsny.org (646) 907-2485
Incapacitated with No Evident Advance Directives or Surrogates (INEADS)	VNSNY is collaborating with Mount Sinai to recruit patients who are incapacitated with no evident advance directives or surrogates or are at risk of becoming incapacitated with no evident advance directives or surrogates.	All	CHHA All	Enroll 20 VNSNY patients, 5 VNSNY Nurses, and 5 VNSNY social worker	N=6 (Patients) N=2 (Nurses) N=5 (social workers)	Data collection Start: July 2021 End Date: July 2022	Sasha Vergez Sasha.Vergez@vnsny.org (646) 907-2485

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Developing and Piloting a multi-component technology-based care intervention (I-HOME)	Improving Home hospice Management of End of life issues through technology (I-HoME), with culturally tailored educational videos focused on symptom related issues to improve caregivers' comfort in managing these issues, preparedness and self-efficacy, factors which are associated with improved caregiver outcomes. VNSNY in collaboration with Weill Cornell Medical.	M	Hospice - Upper West Side	Enroll 110 pairs of Caregivers and Hospice Patients	N=1	Data collection Start: March 2022 End Date: April 2024	Shivani Shah Shivani.Shah@vnsny.org (212) 609-6326
Development and Testing of the Palliative Care related Knowledge, Attitudes & Confidence in Home Health Care (PC-KAC in HHC) Questionnaires	This is a joint Columbia University School of Nursing and VNSNY pilot project aimed at developing and testing instruments that measure palliative care knowledge, attitudes, and confidence among clinicians, patients and informal caregivers in the home healthcare (HHC) setting.	All	CHHA All	Enroll 40 patients/ caregivers and 40 home care clinicians	N=0 (patients/ caregiver) N=0 (clinicians)	Data collection Start: May 2022 End Date: August 2022	Lori King Lori.King@vnsny.org (212) 609-5766
Leveraging Home Health Aides to Improve Outcomes in Heart Failure: Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial	To conduct a pilot randomized controlled trial (RCT) of the intervention among HHAs caring for adults with heart failure (HF), in order to determine the feasibility of an educational intervention and its effect on HHAs (HF knowledge and caregiving self-efficacy), and to explore its effect on HF patient outcomes (ED visits and 30-day readmissions).	All NYC	Partners in Care	Enroll 104 home health aides who work with heart failure patients	N=13	Data collection Start: May 2022 End Date: August 2022	Sasha Vergez Sasha.Vergez@vnsny.org (646) 907-2485

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Making health care safer for older adults receiving skilled home health care services after hospital discharge (Safe Transitions)	VNSNY is collaborating with the Johns Hopkins University to pilot test an intervention bundle to allow home health agencies to identify and act upon threats to older adults' safety in real time, during hospital to home care transitions.	W	CHHA	Obtain 50 clinician surveys matched with patient/caregiver surveys	N=8	Data collection Start: June 2022 End Date: November 2022	Sasha Vergez Sasha.Vergez@vnsny.org (646) 907-2485

Note: As part of our externally funded, IRB approved research projects, patients are offered from \$5 to \$25 as an incentive to complete study interviews. Staff are also frequently offered a modest gift of appreciation when the funding is available to offer it. For general Research Center project inquiries, please contact Margaret McDonald at Margaret.McDonald@vnsny.org

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Field Interviewer	Assigned Projects
Felix Vasquez	CAPABLE, I-HOME
Lori King	PC-KAC
Nicole Onorato	CAPABLE
Sasha Vergez	CAPABLE, Speech Recognition, INEADS, Home Health Aide HF study, Safe Transitions