

Academic Collaborative for Integrative Health

Resources for Improving Interprofessional collaboration

Interprofessional collaboration (IPC) among complementary and integrative health (CIH) providers in private practice and community health centers

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Interprofessional collaboration (IPC) among Complementary and Integrative health (CIH) Providers study results were accepted for publication in the Journal of Interprofessional Education & Practice, Volume 15, June 2019, Pages 70-74. This article provides a summary of the study.

Interprofessional Collaboration (IPC) among Complementary and Integrative Health (CIH) Providers: Challenges, Facilitators, and Suggestions for improvement (Webinar presentation and discussion June 20, 2019)

Anthony J. Lisi, DC, Beth Rosenthal, MPH, MBA, PhD, and Hannah Gravrand, DC, MS discussed results of their study about Interprofessional Collaboration (IPC) among Complementary and Integrative Health (CIH) Providers in Private Practice and Community Health Centers. [The slides are available here](#) and the approximately 1 hour recording is available here: <https://integrativehealth.org/ipc-among-cih>

[Recommendations from study participants for improving interprofessional collaboration \(IPC\)](#)

This is a list of common themes from each study participant type for improving IPC.

[Impact of IPC Identified by study participants](#)

This is a summary of impacts of IPC identified by each study participant type.

[Illustrative Quotes](#)

This contains illustrative quotes from study participants grouped by topic: IPC Value, IPC Challenges, IPC Facilitators, and IPC Mechanics – HOW does it happen. These quotes give more of a flavor of responses to interview questions than can be captured by summarizing common themes.

[Summary of Responses to the Semi-Structured Interview Questions by Provider Type and Discipline](#)

This document summarizes responses to the semi-structured interview questions by study participant type.

[Research Poster](#)

This research poster summarizes the study and was presented at multiple conferences.

Clinicians' & Educators' Desk Reference on the Integrative Health & Medicine Professions (CEDR)

<https://integrativehealth.org/desk-reference-integrative-health-professions>

Educating others about integrative health and medicine disciplines and increasing understanding and respect between professions was a common theme in our study. The CEDR is a resource developed by the Academic Collaborative for Integrative Health (ACIH) for clinicians, educators, students, patients, policy makers, and the general public. It is a guide to the five licensed integrative healthcare professions, emerging professions, traditional world medicines, holistic nursing and holistic and integrative medicine written by vetted experts.

Integrative Medicine Access (IMA)

<https://integrativemedicineaccess.org/>

Many of the practitioners we interviewed in private practice were interested in providing care to the medically underserved. IMA is one way of addressing this need. IMA's mission "is to facilitate accessibility to Integrative Medicine among low-income and medically underserved people. ... In order to accomplish its mission, IMA provides education about Integrative Medicine and connects low-income and medically underserved individuals with practitioners who offer low-cost services."

Complementary and Alternative Medicine: Professions or Modalities?: Policy Implications for Coverage, Licensure, Scope of Practice, Institutional Privileges, and Research

www.rand.org/t/rr1258

This resource authored by Patricia M. Herman and Ian D. Coulter provides background on CIH professions. Professional Liability Factors discussed on page 28 notes that licensure "can be a disincentive" to IPC. Barriers to Full-Scope, Full-Training Practice, pages 30-34 may be informative to identifying barriers to IPC. General Solutions are proposed on page 35. "Interprofessional Multimodality Teams" are discussed on pages 37-38.