Since early spring, the Function QUERI CONNECT facilitators have been busy adapting the CONNECT for STRIDE programs. STRIDE materials are now available to providers from Mental Health, Primary Care, and GRECC at the Durham VA Medical Center. STRIDE focuses on prevention of disability related to immobility during hospitalization through a supervised walking program. STRIDE was developed by the FIVES research team, which has received national attention for developing programs that address gaps in current clinical care for Veterans at risk for functional decline and improve the quality, and safety of care delivered to Veterans and caregivers. The three Function QUERI Research Centers of Innovation, leverages scientifically based practices rapidly into routine care and improve the timeliness, cost-effectiveness, and quality of care. The Optimizing Function and Independence QUERI focuses on caregivers of Veterans with chronic conditions and disabilities to implement evidence-based model.

A sampling from May 2018.

Presentations/Publications/Articles

• Caregivers, VA providers, and Caregiver Support Coordinators at the Campaign Caregivers, VA providers, and Caregiver Support Coordinators at the Campaign for Inclusive Care Summit in Washington, DC on May 24, 2018. Courtney Van Houtven met with The Elizabeth Dole Foundation Staff, VA Program, in support of iHI Veterans’ Perspective.