TELEHEALTH PROJECT SUMMARY TEMPLATE

Please provide information on all major projects in the last ten years (1998-2008) and any planned future projects

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PROJECT NAME: Telehealth MOVE! Group

ORGANIZATION/AGENCY (and primary contact): Department of Veteran's Affairs

FUNDING (source and amount): N/A

START UP FUNDS: N/A; using existing equipment

REIMBURSEMENT (submitted/not submitted): N/A

DURATION (start time and date): 1/08

PURPOSE/INTENT (100 words maximum):

MOVE! Overview:

MOVE! is a national weight management program designed by the VA National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (NCP), a part of the Office of Patient Care Services, to help veterans lose weight, keep it off and improve their health. (information obtained from the VA MOVE! homepage).

PIHCS Telehealth MOVE! group consists of a Psychologist, Registered Dietician, RN, and a Physical Therapy Assistant who, as a team, provide patient education, as outlined by the nation-wide MOVE! program, to the veterans at the Hilo, Kona, and Maui CBOCs.

MAJOR CRITICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Expansion of the MOVE! program at PIHCS

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS:

Allows for veterans at designated CBOCs to participate in the MOVE! program

CRITICAL BARRIERS (overcome or not):

Improper clinic set-up: rectified; lack of staffing at the Kauai, American Samoa, Guam CBOC that have prohibited expansion to all CBOCs.

MAJOR LESSON LEARNED:

Imperative to have proper clinics set-up complete prior to initiation of the clinic to ensure proper work load credit.

CURRENT STATUS (active, planned, dormant, completed, other?):

Active: Hilo, Kona, Maui CBOC; Planned: Kauai, Guam, American Samoa

PARTNERING ORGANIZATIONS: N/A

IS THERE A CLINICAL CHAMPIOR OR A COMMITTEE OVERSEEING THE TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM?

Dr. Erica Pang

TECHNOLOGY USED: Tanberg MXP