

PCRI and Staff Bid Good-bye to Kristen Hahn

July 30, 2010 was Kristen Hahn's last day as a Research Coordinator for the Primary Care Research Institute. She was honored with a luncheon at Blue Mesa Grill and gifts from the PCRI staff. A reception was also held on July 29 where various friends and coworkers enjoyed cake and punch.

Kristen worked as a Program/Project Coordinator with the PCRI since Jun 2008 and was promoted to Research Instructor in 2009. She received her Masters of Public Health with an Epidemiology Concentration from UNT Health Science Center in May 2008; and a BA in Biological Sciences from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York in May 2006.

Ms. Hahn played a major role in coordinating a very successful grant for the PCRI—*The Mental Health Screening and Treatment Initiative for the Tarrant County Probationer Population* (R Cardarelli PI). She will be attending Boston University in the Fall 2010 where she is the recipient of the prestigious BURPE (Boston University Reproductive, Perinatal and Pediatric Epidemiology) training grant. This phase of her education will lead to a Doctorate of Science degree (D.Sc) in epidemiology.

The PCRI will sorely miss Kristen, but bid her well wishes and 'happy trails'!



Cardarelli and Fulda Present at the National PBRN

Dr. Roberto Cardarelli and Dr. Kimberly Fulda attended the AHRQ Primary Care Practice-Based Research Networks (PBRN) Conference in Bethesda, Maryland, June 16-18, 2010. A primary focus for this year's conference was patient-centered care with an emphasis on primary care in medical home.

Dr. Cardarelli's oral presentation was entitled "**Compensation and Motivation of Physicians to Participate in PBRN Research: Experiences during the NorTex Needs Assessment**" and was co-presented by Kristen Hahn, MPH; Kimberly Fulda, DrPH; Anna Espinoza, MD; James Marshall, MD; Billy Moore, PhD and Richard Young, MD, and Sumihiro Suzuki PhD.

Dr. Fulda's oral presentation "**The NorTex Registry Project: Participants' Research Topics of Interest**" concludes that the NorTex Registry Project (NRP) is a valuable tool to identify subjects to participate in research projects. Additionally, the NRP will allow NorTex to conduct research in areas of interest to our community. Co-presenters on this submission included Anna Espinoza, MD; Nicole Beltran, BA; Lorna Brooks; Sue Pickens, MEd; and Roberto Cardarelli, DO, MPH.

The AHRQ PBRN Conference provides a unique venue to learn about endeavors from other practice based researchers and to learn about what works and what doesn't in a PBRN setting.