Taking the Mystery Out of Research!

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Outline

- Steps to Completing a Research Project
- Qualitative vs. Quantitative Research
- Reasons Behind our Research
- Our Project
- Future Directions
- Questions
Steps to Completing a Research Project

1. Idea
Steps continued:

2. Literature Review
Steps continued:

3. Develop Research Plan

4. Abstract for Approval

5. Research Ethics Board Proposal

6. UHN Principles of Clinical Research Practice Workshop
Steps continued:

7. UHN Allied Health Funding Competition
Steps continued:

8. Survey Monkey™
Steps continued:

9. Peer Review – ask your friends and a few very honest people
Steps continued:

10. Help!
Steps continued:

11. Send out the Survey

12. Close the Survey

13. Analyze the Data

14. Dissemination
Qualitative vs. Quantitative Research

**Qualitative:**
- subjective
- detailed description
- data in the form of objects, pictures and words
- interview, focus groups, observations

**Quantitative:**
- objective
- data in the form of numbers and statistics
- uses tools i.e. questionnaires to collect numerical data
- efficient, but may miss contextual detail

University Health Network
Reasons Behind our Research

• Lack of available assistant courses

• Lack of applicable courses

• 4 successful OTA/PTA courses at UHN
  – Waiting lists
  – Feedback

• Performance Enhancement System
Our Project

We will present and provide this information once it is completed in full and has been published.
Future Directions

- Presentations

- New Education Days at UHN
  - OTA/PTA
  - Student OTA/PTA courses

- Publication

- Other Research Projects
Thank You!
Questions?
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