Who is the Coach?
Michelle Garrison is a PhD, UW-trained epidemiologist with 18 years experience designing, conducting, and publishing clinical research. She is here to help you.

Why use the Coach?
The Academic Research Coach (ARC) is here to facilitate success in your scholarly activities. The ARC can help elevate the methodological, statistical and research implementation aspects of your projects.

Consultations
Who can use the ARC? Faculty in the Division of General Internal Medicine at UWMC, Harborview, and the VA.

Consultations.
- One hour initial consults are encouraged, but simple questions can be addressed via email.
- For new and ongoing projects an informal half page summary of the project idea or status, and a description of assistance needed will be requested prior to the consult.
- Ongoing consults for different phases of the same project are encouraged.
- In-depth support involving more than several hours of support for a given phase requires prior approval.
- Authorship. Because the ARC typically provides intellectual contributions to projects, it is expected that the ARC be listed as a coauthor on products when appropriate.

Services Offered
- Study Design
  - Study design and project development
  - Developing a testable research hypothesis
  - Determining inclusion criteria and sampling plan
  - Quality improvement and research studies
- Institutional Review Board (IRB)
  - Discerning if IRB review is needed
  - Identification of the right forms
  - Review of applications and modifications
- Study Infrastructure & Support
  - Input into developing study protocols
  - Facilitate getting volunteers to help
- Data Collection
  - Input on surveys and data collection tools
  - REDCap database support
    * REDCap is a tool that facilitates data entry of data collected from study participants (e.g. survey)
- Statistical Analysis
  - Assist with statistical analysis plan
  - Basic power calculations
  - Guide biostatistics consultations
  - Guide data cleaning for statistical analysis
  - Conduct statistical analyses*
- Products: Abstracts, Posters, Presentations Manuscripts
  - Provide review and input
  - Particular focus on methods and results sections
- Resource Identification and Support
  - Identify training opportunities
  - Field requests for small research resources*
    * Software, Amalga datasets, etc.

*These services require prior approval by GIM Leadership.

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