

Our focus

Mission & Core Identity

The RESTORE Hub (**R**esearch, **E**ducation, **S**ervice, **T**ransition, and **O**utreach through **R**eflective **E**ngagement) is a social and behavioral sciences research institute. Our primary mission is to improve the quality of life for all communities through services, research, education, innovation, and collaboration.



Research Strategy

Our research agenda is grounded in "Implementation Science"—bridging the gap between theoretical research and practical application. We utilize rigorous scientific methods to support vulnerable populations and improve community outcomes. Our strategic focus areas include:

- **Assessment of Enabling Technologies:** We investigate how emerging technologies, such as VR and AI, can be utilized to empower individuals with disabilities, rather than developing the hardware ourselves.
- **Measurement & Psychometrics:** We engage in the creation of new valid assessment tools, as well as the evaluation of pre-existing measures, to ensure accurate data regarding family and community wellness.

- **Population Health Analysis:** We utilize large-scale datasets, such as the Arkansas All-Payer Claims Database, to identify comorbidity patterns, service utilization trends, and costs across the state.
- **Program Evaluation:** We design and implement frameworks to gauge the performance and success of grant-funded consortiums and transition programs.
- **Intervention Efficacy:** We conduct controlled trials (including RCTs) to determine the effectiveness of psycho-educational interventions and digital coaching tools for reducing anxiety and increasing knowledge.
- **Longitudinal Wellness Tracking:** We commit to long-term data collection to monitor shifts in health, wellbeing, and belongingness among student and community populations over time.

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