CER Updates

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CCER and CEKF Present: Pursuing PCORI Funding – An interactive forum to discuss PCORI grant review criteria and generate ideas

The Center for Clinical Effectiveness Research (CCER) of the Children's Research Institute and the Community Engagement Key Function (CEKF) of the Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) of Southeast Wisconsin invite you to an informational and interactive forum to discuss securing funding from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).

Drs. Julie Panepinto and David Nelson of the Medical College of Wisconsin both served as grant reviewers for PCORI. Join Julie and David to hear about their experiences and:

- learn about PCORI and their grant application and review criteria
- gain insights into the criteria PCORI uses for scoring grant applications and engage in a discussion to review and score a sample research project
- participate in generating new ideas and strategies for follow up

The organizers are interested in discussing potential PCORI project ideas so please bring a topic for discussion.

- *When: December, 13th, 2012 at 10:00 am to 11:00 am*
- *Location: MFRC 3075*

We still have available space. If you wish to attend, please contact Fouza Yusuf at **fyusuf@mcw.edu** (Tel:955-4837).

CCER Research Think Tank Meetings

The CCER continues to host research think tank meetings. The sessions are designed to provide researchers with a venue to discuss and brainstorm ideas as well as receive feedback from fellow researchers and patient/parent representatives. If you have a research idea you wish to present at one of these sessions, please contact us to add you to the schedule.

The next session is in January. Details will be announced in the near future.

PDQ-Evidence
A new database from the Cochrane Collaboration gives researchers access to high quality health system and public health evidence. Pretty Darn Quick (PDQ) consists of systematic reviews and their overviews as well as the primary studies that make up the reviews. The database currently holds over 1500 reviews and over 14,000 records.
PDQ-Evidence

PCORI adopts Methodology Standards; approves funding targeted topics
The Board of Governors of the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) formally adopted revisions to the Methodology Standards at their November meeting. The final revisions took into consideration a review and analysis of comments received from the public earlier in the year. These standards will provide direction for conducting patient-centered outcomes research and future funding decisions will consider adherence to the standards in the applications. The revised standards are available for viewing on the PCORI website (with a full report to be published next year.

The Board also approved targeted funding in three topics: treatment options for uterine fibroids, safety and benefits of treatment options for severe asthma and prevention of falls in the elderly.
PCORI Board Decisions

PCORI Seeks Specific Research Questions from Patients and Stakeholders
The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) invites patients, caregivers and the broader health care community to propose specific research questions via a survey on their website. All suggestions will be evaluated and have the potential of being selected for use in targeted funding announcements. To participate and submit research questions, please use the link below.
PCORI suggest a patient-centered research question link

EVENTS, CONFERENCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Webinar: Comparative Effectiveness Research – The Role of Evidence Synthesis and Non-Randomized Real World Studies
December 11, 2012
11:00 EST/10:00 CST

This 90 minute long webinar will discuss the use of evidence generated for regulatory purposes in conducting comparative effectiveness research. The session has two key learning objectives:

1. How can RCTs designed for drug licensing be combined and indirectly compared with other trials, what are the limitations, and when does it have value
2. How can data obtained with registries and other observational (late phase) studies be used for CER purposes

REGISTRAT MAPI Link

Webinar: Incorporating Patient-Reported Outcomes into Comparative Effectiveness Research
December 12, 2012
2:00PM EST (1:00 PM CST)
Center for Medical Technology Policy

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Five Reasons That Many Comparative Effectiveness Studies Fail To Change Patient Care And Clinical Practice
Justin W. Timbie, JW et al.
October 2012, Health Affairs
Health Affairs Link

Identifying Priorities for Patient-Centered Outcomes Research for Serious Mental Illness
Daniel E. Jonas, M.D., M.P.H., et al.
November 1, 2012, Psychiatric Services
Psychiatric Services Link

The Influence of Evidence-Based Medicine Training on Decision-Making in Relation to Over-the-Counter Medicines: A Qualitative Study
Hanna LA, Hughes C.
December 2012, The International Journal of Pharmacy Practice
PubMed Link

Patient-Recorded Outcomes and Quality of Life in Evidence-Based Medicine Databases on Most Common Ear, Throat and Nose Procedures: A Systematic Review
Antti A, O-P A.
November 12, 2012, Clinical Otolaryngology
PubMed Link

The Use of Patient-Reported Outcomes (PRO) Within Comparative Effectiveness Research: Implications for Clinical Practice and Health Care Policy
Ahmed, Sara PhD, et al.
December 2012, Medical Care
Medical Care Link

Cost Effectiveness of Guanfacine Extended-Release versus Atomoxetine for the Treatment of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder: Application of a Matching-Adjusted Indirect Comparison
Haim Erder, M. et al.
November, 2012. Applied Health Economics & Health Policy
Applied Health Economics & Health Policy Link

Special CER Issue: Journal of Clinical Oncology
December 2012
Journal of Clinical Oncology Link

SELECTED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Funding Opportunities from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)

Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research
Under this proposal funding announcement, PCORI seeks to fund about 14 projects for a total of up to $12 million. Project budget are limited to no more than $250,000 a year and project duration should not exceed three years.
Application Deadline Dates:

- Letter of Intent – January 15, 2013
- Application – March 13, 2013

Informational webinars will be available for interested applicants and will be held in January and February.

Improving Methods for Conducting PCOR

Cycle III Announcement

Funding available for this announcement covers the following areas:

- Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment Options
- Improving Healthcare Systems
- Communication and Dissemination
- Addressing Disparities

Deadlines:

- Letter of Intent – February 15, 2013
- Application – April 15, 2013

Visit the Application Center using the link below to access templates for the letter of intent and the application as well as application guidelines and other vital information for applying.

PCORI Funding Announcements Application Center

Reducing Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Children
(R01) **PA-11-104**
(R21) **PA-11-105**
National Institutes of Health
US Department of Health and Human Services
Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): See announcement link above
Expiration Date: January 8, 2014

Chronic Illness Self-Management in Children and Adolescents
(R01) **PA-11-070**
(R03) **PA-11-071**
(R21) **PA-11-072**
National Institute of Nursing Research/NIH/DHHS
Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcements.
Expiration Date: January 8, 2014

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have some information on clinical/comparative effectiveness research that you would like to share in a future issue of the newsletter, please use the contact information below to let us know.

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