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# Perspectives and Partnerships for Building and Disseminating Evidence

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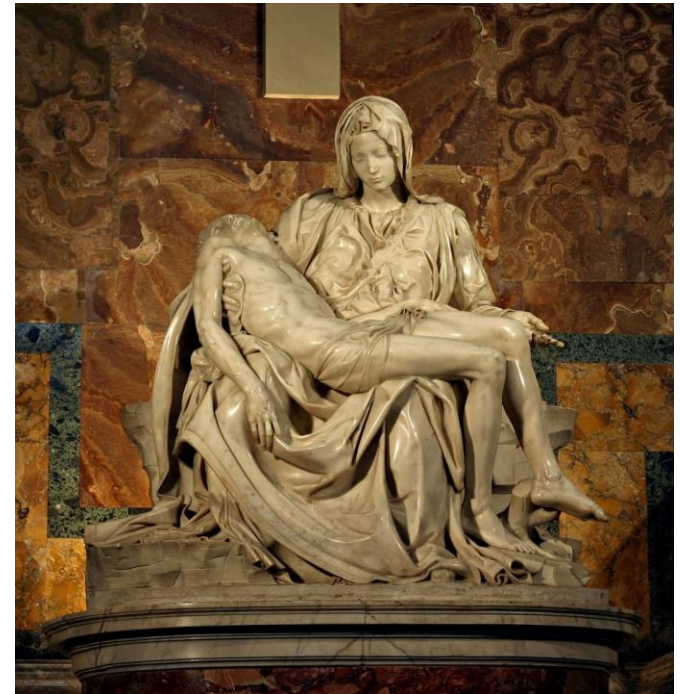
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- AHRQ's New Mission
- AHRQ's New Priorities
- Partnerships
- AHRQ Resources
- I-PrACTISE, Reflection

# Differing Perspectives

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# AHRQ's New Mission

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To produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable, and affordable, and to work with HHS and other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used.



# AHRQ Priorities

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## **Priority #1**

Produce Evidence  
to Improve  
Health Care Quality

## **Priority #2**

Produce Evidence to Make  
Health Care Safer—expanding  
beyond the hospital settings,  
Including primary care

## **Priority #3**

Produce Evidence  
to Increase Access  
to Health Care

## **Priority #4**

Produce Evidence to Improve  
Health Care Affordability,  
Efficiency and Cost  
Transparency



# Funding Reconfiguration: in 2015

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## Emphasized at AHRQ

- **Patient Safety**
- **Health Information Technology**
- **Health Services Research, Data, and Dissemination**

## Research Opportunities, Elsewhere

- **NIH**
- **PCORI**
- **CMS**
- **ONC**
- **CDC**
- **HRSA**



# Patient Safety RFAs:

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- RFA-HS-15-001, Patient Safety Learning Laboratories: Innovative Design and Development to Improve Healthcare Delivery Systems (P30)
  - ▶ Due April 27, 2015
- RFA-HS-15-002, AHRQ Health Services Research Projects: Making Health Care Safer in Ambulatory Care Settings and Long Term Care Facilities (R01)
  - ▶ Due April 27, 2015
- <http://www.ahrq.gov/funding/fund-ops/index.html>



## Anticipated FOA for Dissemination of PCOR findings through CDS

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- AHRQ intends to promote a new initiative by publishing a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) that will promote the dissemination of patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) findings through clinical decision support (CDS).

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-HS-15-002.html>

- Draw on the experience and insight of practicing clinicians, engineers, patients and their families to identify and frame research questions to improve the practice of primary care.

- ACTION III Master Contractors

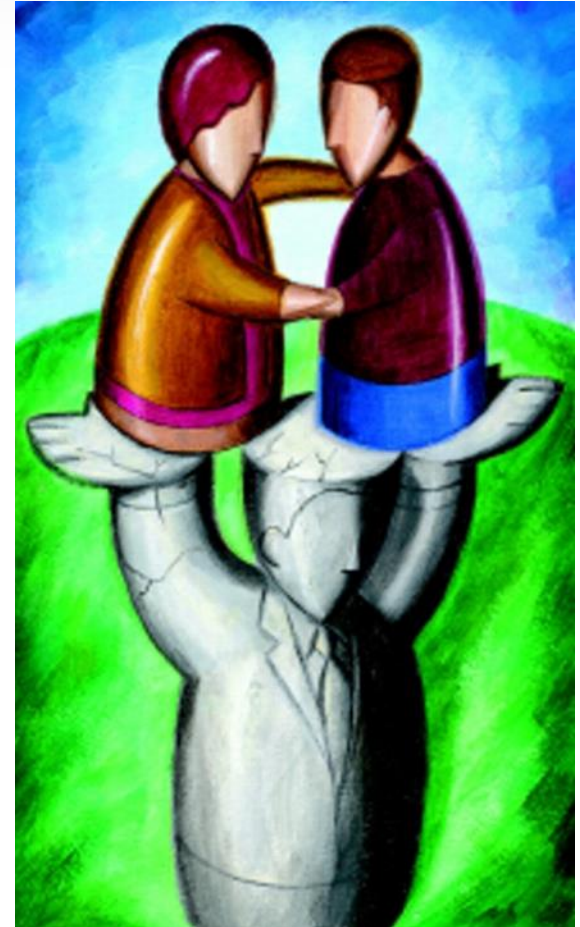
- Collaboration and Partnerships

  - Vendors

  - Mentors-mentees

- Produce research findings that are immediately relevant to the clinician and easily assimilated into everyday practice

- Dissemination



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## AHRQ Resources

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- Academy Integrating Behavioral Health and Primary Care, <http://integrationacademy.ahrq.gov/>
- Health IT, <http://healthit.ahrq.gov/>
- Patient Safety, <http://psnet.ahrq.gov/>
- Patient Centered Medical Home, <http://pcmh.ahrq.gov/>
- Innovations Exchange, <https://innovations.ahrq.gov/>
- Practice-Based Research Network, <http://pbrn.ahrq.gov/>

# Practice-Based Research Networks: Agents of Investigation, Transformation





# Expanding PBRN Community

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- Program has grown from ~10 Registered PBRNs in 1999
- April 2015, 170 Registered PBRNs
  - ▶ Serving 85 million Patients
  - ▶ Underrepresents actual size of PBRN community
- Register today and join the conversation



## PBRN Listserv: Join the Conversation among Practice-Based Research Networks (PBRNs)!

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Are you interested in learning about:

- free, CME-earning National Webinars,
- research publications,
- practical guidance for administering or conducting research,
- funding opportunities, and
- employment opportunities that are relevant to PBRNs, especially around primary care?

If so, join the PBRN Listserv today! PBRN Listserv members receive a **bi-weekly digest** and **other announcements of interest**, and are able to reach out directly to the PBRN community by posting to the PBRN Listserv ([PBRNLIST@list.ahrq.gov](mailto:PBRNLIST@list.ahrq.gov)).

**To join**, simply send an e-mail to the AHRQ PBRN Resource Center ([PBRN@abtassoc.com](mailto:PBRN@abtassoc.com)) with the subject “Please add me to the PBRN Listserv.”



# AHRQ PBRN Resource Center: National Webinars

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- Practice facilitation
- Patient engagement
- Health information technology
- PBRN workforce
- Behavior change theory
- PBRN mentorship
- Methods:
  - ▶ Stepped-Wedge, PRECIS, AIM, Re-AIM



To view videos of PBRN National Webinars, visit the PBRN Playlist on the AHRQ Primary Care YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AHRQprimarycare/playlists>

Upcoming Webinars: May 1, 2015, 1:30-3:00 pm. EDT

- [How pragmatic is it? Lessons learned using PRECIS and RE-AIM for determining pragmatic characteristics of research](#)
- Bridget Gaglio, PhD, Program Officer, Communication and Dissemination Research at the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)<sup>4</sup>

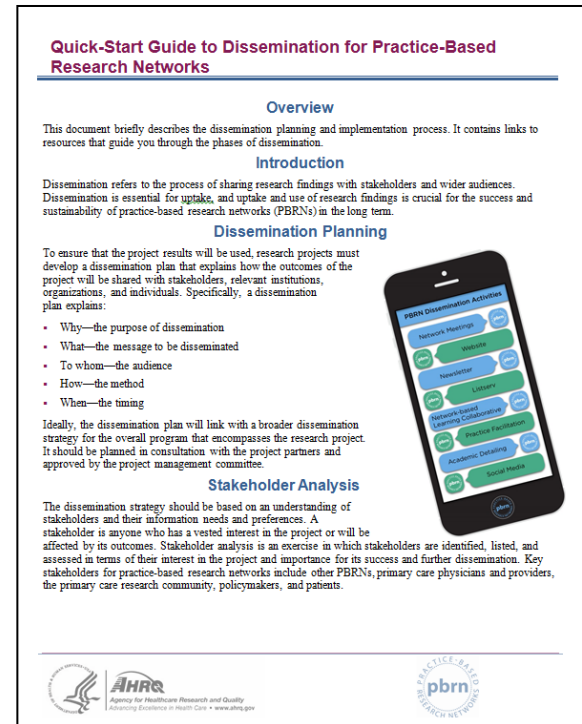


## AHRQ PBRN Resource Center: MOC Part 4 Field Guide

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- PBRN Resource Center will release a *Field Guide* on integrating MOC Part 4 requirements into Research Practices (June 2015)
- *We hope to have workshop on Field Guide at 2015 NAPCRG PBRN Conference, June 29 and 30, Bethesda, MD*
  - ▶ <http://www.napcrg.org/Conferences/PBRNConference>

- **AHRQ Quick-Start Guide to Dissemination for Practice Based Research Networks**
  - ▶ Download the Quick-Start Guide for more information and ideas about the dissemination planning and implementation process, including links to additional resources





**Coming soon:**

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# I-PrACTISE, Reflections

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# Accelerating Adoption of PCOR: Focusing on ABCS



- Grants for dissemination of patient-centered outcomes research to small- and medium-size primary care practices
- Focus: Million Hearts™ ABCS (aspirin use among people with heart disease, blood pressure control, high blood cholesterol control and smoking cessation advice and support) campaign to prevent heart attacks and strokes