

### **Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute**

## PCORI Seeks Your Input On... Initial Topics for PCORI's Tier 1 Pilot Projects

#### What is the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute?

The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) is an independent, non-profit research organization created to help patients and those who care for them make better informed health decisions. PCORI will engage in research that is responsive to the values and interests of patients and will provide patients and those who care for them with reliable, evidence-based information for the health care choices they face. To learn more about PCORI, visit our website: www.pcori.org.

#### **Explanation of this input opportunity:**

PCORI will issue a request for applications (RFA) in late September 2011 for a series of grants for "Tier 1 Pilot Projects." The pilot projects will:

- assist PCORI in establishing national priorities for research,
- support the development of novel methods or the collection of preliminary data that can be used to advance the field of patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR), and
- inform the development of a future PCORI research agenda.

PCORI has identified eight initial areas of interest for the pilot projects. We want your feedback on these topics and your help in identifying other appropriate topics. PCORI will review all of the input received and update, modify or add to this list of potential areas of interest as appropriate to finalize the RFA. This request is for input on the pilot project topics, not a request for applications for pilot project grants.

All of the pilot projects will focus on methods and approaches appropriate to PCOR, including observational methodologies, systematic reviews, mixed methods and qualitative methodologies, simulations, small pragmatic pilot trials and survey methods. The pilot projects will not include clinical efficacy studies on specific conditions or interventions or randomized clinic trials.

#### When can you provide input:

You can provide input until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, August 31, 2011.

#### How to provide input:

There are three ways you can provide input:

- 1. You can complete this form and click "Submit" on the last page, which will send it to PCORI by
- 2. You can complete this form, print it out\* and mail it to PCORI at:

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Attn: Tier 1 Topics Input

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\*If your comments for any topic extend beyond the visible space provided, please print out those comments on a separate page and return them with this form.

3. You can complete a survey on PCORI's website through this page: <a href="http://www.pcori.org/provideinput.html">http://www.pcori.org/provideinput.html</a>

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Questions about this input opportunity may be directed to PCORI by email to <a href="mailto:info@pcori.org">info@pcori.org</a> or by phone to 202-683-6690.

#### **Provide Your Input Below**

Below you will find the eight initial areas of interest for the pilot projects. The topics are not ordered by priority or importance. Following each topic, space is provided for you to provide input on that specific topic. At the bottom of this form, there is space for you to provide general feedback or recommendations for other topics. You may provide input on any of the topics. You are NOT required to provide input on all of the topics.

#### Initial Areas of Interest for PCORI's Tier 1 Pilot Projects

1.	Developing, testing, and/or evaluating novel methods and approaches that can inform the process of
	establishing and updating national priorities for patient centered outcomes research (PCOR).

Developing, testing, and/or evaluating methods for bringing together patients, caregivers, clinicians
and non-traditional partners in all stages of a multi-stakeholder research process, from the
generation and prioritization of research questions to the conduct and analysis of a study to
dissemination of study results.

3.	Developing, testing, and/or evaluating novel processes for translating research findings into changes in health care practices.
4.	Developing, testing, and/or evaluating approaches that could systematically, without bias, identify gaps in evidence that most affect low-income populations; minorities; children; elderly; women; people with disabilities, multiple medical conditions, rare conditions, and other vulnerable populations.
5.	Identifying, testing, and evaluating novel predictive outcomes instruments of interest to patients.
6.	Identifying, testing, and evaluating novel methods for researching behaviors, lifestyles, and choices within patient control that may influence their outcomes.

7. Identifying, testing, and evaluating novel methods for studying the patient-clinician interaction in situations where multiple options for prevention, diagnosis or treatment exist.
8. Identifying, testing, and evaluating methods to assess strategies that respect patient autonomy and promote informed decision-making, incorporating the best healthcare knowledge into the application of care.
9. Please use this space to provide general feedback or recommendations for other topics

#### **Contact Information**

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