PCORI Primer

PCORI basics

Types of funding

- Broad national research priorities
    1. Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment Options
    2. Improving Health Care Systems
    3. Communication and Dissemination Research
    4. Addressing Disparities
    5. Accelerating Patient-Centered Outcomes Research and Methodological Research
- Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Awards: non-research awards that encourage active integration of patients, caregivers, clinicians, and other healthcare stakeholders as integral members of the research process
- Pipeline to Proposal Awards: non-research awards that aim to build a national community of patients, stakeholders, and researchers who have the expertise and passion to participate in patient-centered outcomes research, or PCOR, and to create partnerships within that community that lead to high-quality research proposals.

Requirements of all research proposals

- Patient-centeredness
- Comparative effectiveness research (CER)
- Patient & stakeholder engagement (See what PCORI means by engagement: http://www.pcori.org/content/what-we-mean-engagement)

PCORI resources:

- Applicant training, including archives of past trainings (http://www.pcori.org/content/applicant-training)
- PCORI Engagement Rubric (http://www.pcori.org/sites/default/files/PCORI-Engagement-Rubric-with-Table.pdf)
- PCORI Research Methodology (http://www.pcori.org/content/research-methodology)
- PCORI Methodology Standards (http://www.pcori.org/assets/2013/11/PCORI-Methodology-Report-Appendix-A.pdf)
- Sample engagement plans (http://www.pcori.org/sites/default/files/PCORI-Sample-Methods-Engagement-Plans.pdf)
- Merit review process overview (http://www.pcori.org/content/merit-review-process)
- PCORI Review Criteria (http://www.pcori.org/content/pcori-review-criteria)
- PCORnet (http://www.pcornet.org/): The goal of PCORnet is to improve the nation's capacity to conduct comparative effectiveness research efficiently by creating a large, highly representative network for conducting clinical outcomes research. PCORnet will integrate data from multiple Clinical Data Research Networks (CDRNs) and Patient-Powered Research Networks (PPRNs), all selected by and contracted by PCORI. In addition, a Coordinating Center and affiliated Project Management Office, contracted by PCORI, will assist the CDRNs and PPRNs with technical and logistical support and play a critical role in fostering communication and coordination among them as well as disseminating best practices. It will also support program evaluation.
- PCORI webinars and events (including archives of past events): http://www.pcori.org/content/participate-pcori-events

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Northwestern resources

The Institute for Public Health and Medicine (IPHAM) is committed to providing Northwestern researchers with the support they need to apply for PCORI funding. In particular, two of IPHAM's centers, the Center for Patient-Centered Outcomes and the Center for Community Health, have developed services that can be advantageous as you begin planning your PCORI submission.

The Center for Patient Centered Outcomes provides a bridge and an incubator for investigators and clinician-scientists across FSM and the University, whose research and interests focus on integration of health outcomes that incorporate the centrality and perspective of the patient. *Patient centered outcomes are health outcomes ranging from standard clinical outcomes to those measuring health-related quality of life (symptoms, function and well being), integrating the voice and perspective of patients and their families to improve health care, access and decision-making. For more information, please visit:* http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/ipham/centers/patient-centered-outcomes.html

The Center for Community Health (CCH) provides expertise and guidance to faculty, professional staff, and experienced community partners on the unique methodological and practical challenges of conducting community-engaged research, characterized by the ongoing and meaningful engagement of patients and stakeholders in the research process. Specific areas in which CCH can provide guidance include, but are not limited to: a) establishing and maintaining relationships with patients and stakeholders, including development of advisory boards; b) assisting with developing grant applications that require patient and stakeholder engagement; and c) providing ongoing consultation for funded projects that require patient and stakeholder engagement. For more information, please visit: http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/cch/

In addition, as we gauge interest, we are considering putting together PCORI grant writing groups. If you are interested in learning more as the concept is developed, please email ipham@northwestern.edu. Finally, if you would like this primer resource in electronic format, email ipham@northwestern.edu.