



## American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Investments in Comparative Effectiveness Research for Translation and Dissemination

### **The Need: Disseminate Research Findings to Decisionmakers**

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) has a strong, long-term commitment to bridging the gap between research and practice by translating findings on the comparative effectiveness of interventions for different audiences including consumers, clinicians, and policymakers, and disseminating these findings. Given the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) investment in evidence generation of comparative effectiveness research, AHRQ will need to build upon its existing efforts.

### **The Solution: Translation and Dissemination**

This proposal will use Recovery Act funds to expand AHRQ's translation and dissemination activities and thereby strengthen the infrastructure supporting these activities. These activities will substantially increase the workload of the John M. Eisenberg Clinical Decisions and Communications Science Center.

Recovery Act funds will primarily be used to support grantees in developing and implementing innovative approaches to integrating comparative effectiveness research findings into clinical practice and health care decisionmaking. Investments will be in multiple geographically dispersed translation, implementation, and evaluation projects to be carried out by local organizations, such as medical societies, State institutions of higher learning, patients, community advocacy organizations, and others to promote education, dissemination, and application of comparative effectiveness research.

**Funding Method:** 20 to 25 grants of \$1 to \$2 million each and a modification of the Eisenberg Center contract of \$5 million

**Project Duration:** 2 to 3 years

**Funding Amount:** \$34.5 million

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