



Advisory Panel on Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research (HDDR) Supplementary Materials Winter 2021

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I. Agenda

Advisory Panel on Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research (HDDR)

December 9, 2021 (*Times listed in Eastern*)

[Webinar Link](#)

11:00 AM	Welcome, Introductions, and Setting the Stage Carly Khan, PhD, RN, MPH , Associate Director, HDDR, PCORI Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH Associate Professor of Medicine and Director of Transitional Care Research, Johns Hopkins University, <i>HDDR Advisory Panel Co-Chair</i> Jane Kogan, PhD , Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer, UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care, <i>HDDR Advisory Panel Co-Chair</i>
11:15 AM	HDDR Program Updates and Discussion Carly Khan, PhD, RN, MPH , Associate Director, HDDR, PCORI <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maternal Morbidity and Mortality Discussion• Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Discussion Discussion Facilitator: Jane Kogan, PhD, Co-Chair
12:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK
12:30 PM	Improving Hypertension Management and Control Hillary Bracken, PhD, MHS, MA , Program Officer, HDDR, PCORI Els Houtsmuller, PhD , Associate Director, HDDR, PCORI Discussion Facilitator: Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH, Co-Chair
1:15 PM	Social Needs Interventions: New Interactive Evidence Map Michelle Althuis , Associate Director, Engagement, Research Synthesis and New Technology, PCORI Rachael Parsons , Program Associate, Engagement, Research Synthesis and New Technology, PCORI Discussion Facilitator: Jane Kogan, PhD, Co-Chair
2:00 PM	BREAK
2:15 PM	Achieve Health Equity: Modeling Community-Driven Research Approaches Kelly Dunham, MPP , Senior Manager, HDDR, PCORI Lisa Stewart, MA , Senior Engagement Officer, Public and Patient Engagement, PCORI Discussion Facilitator: Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH, Co-Chair & Jane Kogan, PhD, Co-Chair
3:15 PM	Strategic Planning: Research Agenda Vivian Towe, PhD, MPA, PhD, MSc, MA , HDDR, PCORI Discussion Facilitator: Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH, Co-Chair
3:45 PM	Wrap-Up and Next Steps Carly Khan, PhD, RN, MPH , Associate Director, HDDR, PCORI Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH Associate Professor of Medicine and Director of Transitional Care Research, Johns Hopkins University, <i>HDDR Advisory Panel Co-Chair</i> Jane Kogan, PhD Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer, UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care, <i>HDDR Advisory Panel Co-Chair</i>
4:00 PM	Adjourn

II. HDDR Advisory Panelist Biographies

Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH (Panel Co-Chair)

Baltimore, MD

Associate Professor of Medicine and Director of Transitional Care Research, Johns Hopkins University

Representing: Researchers

Alicia Arbaje, PhD, MD, MPH, is an internist, geriatric medicine specialist, and health services researcher at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She is associate professor of medicine and director of transitional care research at the Center for Transformative Geriatrics Research. Arbaje is interested in identifying the problems older adults face as they navigate through the healthcare system. She leads studies that aim to develop performance measures, define best practices, and ultimately improve the quality of care of older adults as they leave the hospital.

Arbaje has served as an invited consultant to national organizations to improve care coordination for older adults. In addition to addressing scientific audiences, she has developed media content directly for the public. She has been a health commentator at local, national, and international media outlets to draw attention to issues relevant to older adults.

Arbaje received her undergraduate degree from the University of Kansas. She graduated from Yale School of Medicine and earned her master's degree in public health at the Harvard School of Public Health. She completed a clinical and research fellowship in the Division of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. Arbaje recently completed a doctorate in clinical investigation at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She continues to practice geriatric and general internal medicine.

Ana Lopez, BSN, RN

Crosby, TX

Registered Clinical Nurse, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Representing: Patients, Caregivers, and Patient Advocates

Ana Lopez, BSN, RN, is a caregiver, previvor and patient advocate. She lost her mom to breast cancer at age 17 and, at 25, her twin sister was diagnosed with breast cancer.

Shortly after genetic testing revealed she and her sister carried the BRCA1 mutation, Lopez underwent a prophylactic mastectomy in 2016. Since then, she has been active in the hereditary breast and ovarian cancer (HBOC) community, advocating for families with a genetic predisposition to cancer. She is a peer navigator and research advocate with FORCE, a nonprofit that supports the HBOC community. She is also a peer navigator with the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center's myCancerConnection program. She previously worked as a research assistant at MD Anderson where she was involved in tobacco research.

Lopez graduated with a bachelor of science in nursing from the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Nursing and has a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from the University of Houston. She is currently an oncology nurse at the MD Anderson. These experiences have led to her passion for cancer prevention, patient education, research, and advocacy for the HBOC community. She is passionate about empowering others to take control of their health journey. She is grateful to work with PCORI to continue to improve patient outcomes and provide patients with tools to make better healthcare decisions.

Ashley Valentine, MS (New Panelist)

Lisle, IL

President, Sick Cells

Representing: Patients, Caregivers, and Patient Advocates

Ashley Valentine is a co-founder of Sick Cells along with her older brother Marqus Valentine. Marqus was diagnosed with sickle cell disease (SCD), and she spent much of her childhood in hospital playrooms while Marqus was frequently hospitalized for pain crises, fever, and multiple complications from SCD.

While in high school, Valentine first understood the disparities for SCD when her brother developed seizures and lost his motor skills, and their family's insurance would not cover Marqus' rehabilitation. The insurance company told the Valentines that Marqus was considered "not disabled enough" for medical help. Valentine and the family worked together to rehabilitate Marqus at home; they taught him how to hold a fork again and redeveloped his ability to speak, leading to a successful recovery. This event solidified Valentine's drive to educate others about SCD and advocate on behalf of her family and the sickle cell community.

Valentine completed her master's degree in Research Methods from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland.

Valentine focused on disparities in health care for people with SCD in London. After graduate school, Valentine worked with the University of Illinois in Chicago's sickle cell program and later transitioned into policy work in Washington, DC, and eventually co-founded Sick Cells with Marqus.

Valentine has a focus on improving the lives of people with SCD and ensuring that SCD advocates are involved with all decisions as it relates to their health.

Brandi Ring, MD, FACOG, FAWM

Denver, CO

OB/GYN, Mile High OB/GYN, A Division of Women's Health Groups

Representing: Clinicians

Brandi Ring is originally from Westminster, Colorado. After graduating from the University of Colorado Boulder, she earned her master's degree and completed medical school at Boston University School of Medicine. She developed a deep passion for serving the underserved and developing health policy and became an advocate for patients and physicians through her work with the American Medical Association. She completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at York Hospital in York, Pennsylvania. Ring actively advocates for her patients, her colleagues, and her specialty. She can frequently be found in state and national capitols discussing health policy. Her specialty interests include high-risk and low-risk pregnancy, family planning, wilderness medicine, adolescent and LGBTQ+ care, well-women care, and preventative health.

She is the President of the Aurora-Adams County Medical Society, serves on the Colorado Medical Society board, and is honored to be the CMS Medical Student Component Board Liaison. She is also active in her specialty society, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists where she has served on the executive board and is the Immediate Past Chair of the Junior Fellow College Advisory Council.

Diana Cejas, MD, MPH (New Panelist)

Durham, NC

Assistant Professor of Neurology and Faculty of the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities at UNC-Chapel Hill

Representing: Clinicians

Diana Cejas, MD, MPH is an Assistant Professor of Neurology and faculty of the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities at UNC-Chapel Hill. Through her clinical work, she cares for youth with a broad spectrum of developmental disabilities and complex neurological and psychiatric comorbidities. She seeks to improve health outcomes in this population as they transition to adulthood and serves as Principal Investigator of studies that explore this phase of their lives. Dr. Cejas has also devoted much of her career to improving communication between healthcare providers and the broader disability community, particularly young disabled People of Color.

Dr. Cejas is involved with national activities focused on patient advocacy and improving care for disabled youth. She is particularly interested in digital advocacy and uses both social media and print media as tools in her efforts.

After being diagnosed with cancer and surviving a stroke during her residency training, Dr. Cejas learned about the power of patient narratives in research, advocacy, and clinical care. She shares her own story and other commentary on disability via essays, Op-Eds, and works of creative nonfiction. Her work has appeared or is forthcoming in medical journals including The Journal of the American Medical Association, literary magazines including The Iowa Review and Catapult, popular media, and anthologies including Disability Visibility, among others.

Jane Kogan, PhD (Panel Co-Chair)

Pittsburgh, PA

Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer, UPMC, Center for High-Value Health Care

Representing: Payers

Jane Kogan, PhD, is Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC), Center for High-Value Health Care (Center), a nonprofit research organization that she helped to establish which is housed within UPMC Insurance Services Division (ISD). The center's mission is to advance US healthcare policy and practice through the development and dissemination of innovative service delivery and payment models that support value-driven health care.

Since the center's founding in 2010, Kogan has worked closely with UPMC leadership to leverage the unique experiences and opportunities of this large integrated delivery and finance system to drive continuous learning and healthcare improvements. Her expertise is in the development, design, and implementation of large-scale health services research studies, with a focus on real-world, person-centered applicability of findings. She also has extensive experience in the use of qualitative and quantitative research methods and in the conduct of pragmatic comparative effectiveness research studies to improve quality and efficiency of care for those with chronic conditions.

She has had considerable involvement with and oversight of PCORI-funded studies at the center, including serving as stakeholder and co-investigator. She is passionate about the translation and dissemination of patient-centered results emanating from these studies and regularly contributes to manuscript development, dissemination strategies, and translation of results for stakeholders such as patients/families, payers, providers, and policy makers.

Kogan is a clinical psychologist by training and clinical faculty in the Department of Psychiatry, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. She completed her undergraduate work at the University of Pittsburgh and graduate work at West Virginia University. Her pre- and postdoctoral training occurred at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, where after training she continued her research and clinical work until returning to Pittsburgh in 2004.

Jeffrey Oliver, MBA

Atlanta, GA

Principal, Training, Development and Design, Training by Seeds, LLC

Representing: Patients, caregivers, or representatives of patient advocacy organizations

Jeffrey Oliver was introduced to PCORI and the patient-centered review process by a friend with whom he had participated in a local weight loss competition. As result of participation in this competition, his attitude about health, wellness, and family history changed. He grew up in rural farming environment where access to state-of-the-art health care was limited. His family and surrounding community disproportionately suffer from chronic illness. He saw PCORI as an opportunity to not only give voice to the concerns of these communities, but also possibly bring positive health changes to their lives.

Oliver is currently a police officer, first responder, and principal at Training By Seeds, LLC. He has more than 20 years of sales, project management, business development, consulting, law enforcement, and training experience. He is, unfortunately, no stranger to the healthcare system. For more than 10 years, two of his siblings lived with often debilitating chronic rare illnesses. Both felt that they were more important to their healthcare providers as test cases than as patients. Oliver remembers the sense of helplessness that he felt. He believes PCORI addresses this disparity head-on and his goal is to be a part of the continuous improvement in health care.

Kathleen Kieran, MD, MSc, MME

Seattle, WA

Pediatric Urologist, Seattle Children's Hospital

Representing: Clinicians

Kathleen Kieran, MD, MSc, MME, is a board-certified pediatric urologist at Seattle Children's Hospital and an associate professor of urology at the University of Washington. Her clinical interests include general and prenatal urology and her research interests include healthcare disparities, impact of public health initiatives on pediatric urologic health, and teaching and optimizing communication skills in surgeons.

Kieran received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, and her medical degree from Boston University School of Medicine. She also holds a master's degree in clinical research design and statistics from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in medical education from the University of Iowa. She completed an internship in general surgery and a residency in urology at the University of Michigan, followed by a fellowship in pediatric urology at the University of Tennessee.

She is a member of numerous local, regional, and national societies. Her interest in PCORI stems from her longstanding advocacy for access to quality health care for underserved and *othered* populations. As a member of a PCORI advisory board, Kieran will advocate for the prioritization of the patient's voice in directing research, and for physicians and other medical providers to better understand the patient-identified barriers to care delivery.

Kelly Buckland, MS (New Panelist)

Washington, DC

Disability Advisor, Office of the Assistant Secretary on Policy at the US Department of Transportation

Representing: Patients, Caregivers, and Patient Advocates

Kelly Buckland is a person with a disability who has been actively involved in disability issues since 1979.

Buckland started his career as an employee for Idaho's Protection and Advocacy System. He served for over 20 years as the Executive Director of the Boise Council on Independent Living, Living Independence Network Corporation, and the Idaho State Independent Living Council. He has served on the Idaho Developmental Disabilities Council, the State Employment and Training Council, and State Help America Vote Act Steering Committee.

In 1978, Buckland graduated from Boise State University with a BA in social work and in 1988 *Summa Cum Laude* from Drake University with a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling. In recent years, Buckland has been honored with numerous state and national awards, including the University of Idaho President's Medallion, United Vision for Idaho Lifetime Achievement Award, Hewlett-Packard Distinguished Achievement in Human Rights Award, and induction into the National Spinal Cord Injury Hall of Fame.

Additionally, Buckland has a long history with the National Council on Independent Living (NCIL). He has served on numerous NCIL Legislative and Advocacy Subcommittees and other standing NCIL committees, NCIL Governing Board since 1998, as NCIL Vice President from 2001-2005, and as NCIL President from 2005 to 2009. Buckland recently retired from his position as Executive Director of NCIL and is now serving as a Disability Advisor, Office of the Assistant Secretary on Policy at the US Department of Transportation.

Kristina M. Cordasco, MD, MPH, MSHS

Los Angeles, CA

Core Investigator, VA Health Services Research Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Policy, and Practice

Representing: Researchers

Kristina Cordasco is a core investigator with the Veterans Health Administration Health Service Research and Development Service Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Implementation, and Policy; a health services researcher, quality improvement leader, and internal medicine physician with the VA Greater Los Angeles (GLA) Healthcare System; and Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Cordasco conducts partner-based research and quality improvement advancing the delivery and equity of care, designing and deploying direct improvements in care, as well as providing data to inform the decisions of healthcare system leaders and policy makers, clinicians, and patients.

She hopes to contribute to PCORI her expertise in veterans' health and health care, care coordination, organization of care, and women's health. Cordasco received her medical degree and master of public health from Johns Hopkins University, and a master of science in health services from UCLA. She is an alum of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program.

Marissa D. Sanders, MPH, CPHRM

Matteson, IL

Manager, Quality Assessment, American Dental Association

Representing: Payers

Marissa D. Sanders, MPH, CPHRM, is the manager for quality assessment in the Center for Dental Benefits, Coding, and Quality with the American Dental Association. With more than 12 years in the healthcare industry, she has dedicated her career to partnering with providers to establish and implement quality improvement initiatives, reduce patient and organizational risk, and promote patient safety at the practice, health system, and policy levels. She has worked in a variety of settings within the healthcare industry including academic medical centers and health plans and is committed to working to improve the public's health through strategic program development, improving care delivery, and empowering patients.

Rainu Kaushal, MD, MPH

New York, NY

Professor of Healthcare Policy and Research, New York-Presbyterian Hospital

Representing: Researchers

Rainu Kaushal, MD, MPH, is chair and Nanette Laitman Distinguished Professor of Healthcare Policy & Research, and chief of healthcare policy and research at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Kaushal, an information scientist and health services researcher, is building one of the country's leading departments in healthcare delivery science. She is the principal investigator of the PCORI-funded INSIGHT network (formerly the NYC Clinical Data Research Network), which hosts the largest urban clinical dataset in the country. INSIGHT, which includes all of New York City's academic medical centers, has contributed to over 40 studies that will guide healthcare delivery and clinical trial design. Kaushal is also a principal investigator for the New York City consortium of the National Institutes of Health's All of Us Precision Medicine Initiative. She is involved in national activities, including the National Academy of Medicine, through participation in steering committees, cochairing workgroups and meetings, serving as an expert reactor to reports, and presenting her work.

Thomas James, III, MD

Pittsburgh, PA

Senior Medical Director, Highmark, Inc.

Representing: Payers

Thomas James, III, MD, is senior medical director in the Office of the CMO at Highmark, Inc. In this capacity he provides the clinical oversight to Highmark's quality and related programs. He maintains his connections with national physician societies and provider organizations for greater alignment of goals for the coordination of care for Highmark's membership in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and West Virginia.

Prior to joining Highmark, Inc., James has served as senior medical director for such organizations as Baptist Health in Kentucky, AmeriHealth Caritas, Humana, Anthem, Traveler's Health Network, Sentara, and HealthAmerica. He has gained experience with commercial, Medicare, and Medicaid health plans through his career.

He has been active on many volunteer boards in the arts (e.g., Pittsburgh Opera Board, Kentucky Opera Board, Louisville Visual Arts Association), medical service (e.g., Laughlin Children's Center in Sewickley, Project Sunshine in New York, Partners for a Healthy Louisville), and medical policy in Washington (e.g., National Quality Forum, National Committee for Quality Assurance, AAAHC, Picker Institute, and MED CAC).

James is board certified in internal medicine and pediatrics. He received his medical degree from the University of Kentucky and served his residencies at Temple University Hospital, Pennsylvania Hospital, and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He maintains a limited clinical practice in Wexford, Pennsylvania.

Varleisha Gibbs, PhD, OTD, OTR/L

Vice President, Practice Engagement and Capacity Building, American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc.

Representing: Researchers

Varleisha Gibbs has been an occupational therapist for more than 17 years. She currently serves as the Vice President of Practice Engagement and Capacity Building for the American Occupational Therapy Association, supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives for the field of occupational therapy. Prior, she served as the Scientific Programs Officer with the American Occupational Therapy Foundation. She is a graduate of the University of Delaware and Columbia University programs in occupational therapy. In addition, she holds doctoral degrees from Thomas Jefferson University and Seton Hall University with a doctorate in health sciences leadership from Seton Hall University's School of Health and Medical Sciences. As a tenured Associate Professor, she was actively involved in scholarship and mentorship.

Gibbs has published in peer-reviewed journals in addition to authoring two books. She presents nationally and internationally on evidence-based topics and promoting the role of occupational therapy. She is the inaugural chair of Delaware's first master's of occupational therapy program at Wesley College. To this end, she has years of experience in program development, strategic planning, and assessment.

Xiaoduo Fan, MD

Andover, MA

Associate Professor, Psychiatry, University of Massachusetts Medical School

Representing: Hospitals and Health Systems

Xiaoduo Fan, MD, is a board-certified psychiatrist and an associate professor of psychiatry at University of Massachusetts Medical School. He is director of the Psychotic Disorders Clinical and Research Program and director of the China Mental Health Program at UMass. Prior to joining UMass, Fan was a staff psychiatrist at Massachusetts General Hospital and a member of the faculty at Harvard Medical School for seven years. Fan's research focuses on developing innovative pharmacological treatment and community-based psychosocial interventions targeting the triple jeopardy faced by patients with severe mental illness: a devastating mental disorder, serious comorbidity conditions such as obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease, and co-occurring substance use disorders. The goal of our research is to improve real-life functioning and promote recovery in patients who suffer from severe mental illness. Fan fully embraces the mission of PCORI and considers patient-centered outcomes research extremely important to help patients and other important stakeholders make informed health decisions.

Fan received his medical degree from Peking University in Beijing, China. He completed psychiatry residency training at the State University of New York. He obtained a master's degree in public health at Harvard School of Public Health in Boston. In addition, he earned a master's degree in clinical psychology at Chicago Medical School in Chicago.

III. HDDR New Awards

Addressing Disparities

The Path to Optimal Black Maternal Heart Health: Comparing Two CVD Risk Reduction Interventions

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Sharon Herring, MD, MPH

Institution: Temple University

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BEhavioral Health Stratified Treatment (BEST) to Optimize Transition to Adulthood for Youth with IDD

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Benjamin Van Voorhees, MD, MPH

Institution: University of Illinois at Chicago

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Vida Sana y Completa Trial: Treating Obesity and Food Insecurity Among Latina Women

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Lisa Rosas, PhD, MPH

Institution: Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University

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Evaluation of Telehealth Services on Mental Health Outcomes for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Joan Beasley, PhD, MEd

Institution: University of New Hampshire

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Reducing Racial Disparities in Maternal Care through Data-Based Accountability and Doula Support

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Jennifer Tang, MD, MS

Institution: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine

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Culturally Adapted Online Couples Communication Program for Latina Breast Cancer Patients

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Dinorah Martinez Tyson, PhD, MPH, MA

Institution: University of South Florida

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Black Midwives for Black Women: Maternity Care to Improve Trust and Attenuate Structural Racism

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Kylea Liese, PhD, CNM

Institution: The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois

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Clinically Integrated Breastfeeding Peer Counseling to Promote Breastfeeding Equity

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Ann Borders, MD, MPH, MS

Institution: Northshore University HealthSystem

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Patient-Centered Equity Enhancements to Reduce Disproportionate Unmet Mental Health Need of African American Children

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: Joni Splett, PhD

Institution: University of Florida

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Comparative Effectiveness of Treating Genital Herpes Infection to Reduce Racial Disparities in the Risk of Severe Maternal Morbidity (SMM)

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: De-Kun Li, MD, PhD, MPH

Institution: Kaiser Foundation Research Institute

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Improving the Health of Parents and their Adolescent and Transition-Age Youth with IDD

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: Kathleen Thomas, PhD, MPH

Institution: The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Improving Healthcare Systems

Comparative Effectiveness Trial of Two Supportive Cancer Care Delivery Models for Adults with Cancer

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Manali Patel, MD, MPH, MS

Institution: The Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University

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Comparing Two Ways to Manage Lymphedema in Head and Neck Cancer Survivors

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Jie Deng, PhD, MSN, RN

Institution: The Trustees of The University of Pennsylvania

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Evaluating the Effectiveness of Mode of Meal Delivery on the Ability of Homebound Older Adults to Remain in the Community

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Kali Thomas, PhD

Institution: Brown University School of Public Health

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The Follow-up Automatically vs As-Needed Comparison (FAAN-C) Trial

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: Eric Coon, MD, MS

Institution: University of Utah

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Phased Large Awards for Comparative Effectiveness Research (PLACER)

Large Pragmatic Trial to Prevent Suicide Attempts, Deaths in Moderate-to-High Risk Youth

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Gregory Clarke, PhD

Institution: Kaiser Foundation Research Institute

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Achieving Blood Pressure Goals after Stroke

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Cheryl Bushnell, MD

Institution: Wake Forest University Health Sciences

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Specialty Compared to Oncology delivered Palliative Care for Patients with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (SCOPE-Leukemia)

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Areej El-Jawahri, MD

Institution: Massachusetts General Hospital

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Pragmatic Clinical Studies

Comparative Effectiveness of Mobile Health Smoking Cessation Approaches among Underserved Patients

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: Jesse Dallery, PhD

Institution: University of Florida

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Comparative Effectiveness of Online Cognitive Behavioral Therapy vs. an Online Single-Session Pain Relief Skills Class for Chronic Pain

Cycle 1 2021

Principal Investigator: Beth Darnall, PhD

Institution: Stanford University

Lay Abstract Forthcoming

Suicide Prevention: Brief Interventions for Youth

Comparative Effectiveness of Two Culturally Centered Suicide Interventions for Alaska Native Youth
Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Elizabeth D'Amico, PhD

Institution: RAND Corporation

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A Comparison of Two Brief Suicide Prevention Interventions Tailored for Youth on the Autism Spectrum

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Brenna Maddox, PhD

Institution: The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

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Preventing Suicide among Sexual and Gender Diverse Young Adults in Primary Care in Texas

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Elizabeth Arnold, PhD, MSW

Institution: UT Southwestern Medical Center

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Youth Partners in Care for Suicide Prevention (YPIC-SP)

Cycle 3 2020

Principal Investigator: Joan Asarnow, PhD

Institution: University of California, Los Angeles

[Click here to see lay abstract on PCORI's website](#)

IV. PCORI Virtual Annual Meeting Breakout: Envisioning the Next Phase of Health Equity Research at PCORI

The PCORI Annual Meeting brings together members of the healthcare community, including researchers, patients, caregivers, clinicians, insurers, health system representatives, and other stakeholders. The free event serves as a report to the nation on PCORI's progress in funding initiatives to determine which care approaches work best, for whom, and under what circumstances.

This year, PCORI held fourteen breakout sessions that dove into topics ranging from COVID-19 to engagement in practice to health equity. To learn more about PCORI's work in health equity, instructions to view the 2021 PCORI Virtual Annual Meeting Breakout Session on *Envisioning the Next Phase of Health Equity Research at PCORI* are below:

1. Register for the 2021 PCORI Virtual Annual Meeting [at this link](#)
2. Select Auditorium
3. On the November 17th date, launch the *Envisioning the Next Phase of Health Equity Research at PCORI* breakout session
4. Enjoy our other meeting activities at your leisure or catch up online with #PCORI2021

V. Upcoming PCORI Public Events

Advisory Panel on Rare Disease Winter 2021 Meeting

Monday, December 13 1:00PM-5:00PM EST & Tuesday, December 14th 1:00PM-3:00PM EST

[Register Here](#)

Board of Governors Meeting

Tuesday, February 22 1:00PM-3:00PM EST

[Register Here](#)