

AHRQ GRANTEES RECEIVING RESEARCH GRANTS IN THE AREA OF HEALTHCARE COSTS, PRODUCTIVITY, ORGANIZATION AND MARKET FORCES

We seek your cooperation in providing information on the key findings, publications, and perceived impacts of your research undertaken with AHRQ's support. We also seek your feedback on AHRQ's processes and support for this kind of research. ***Your feedback on AHRQ's performance will be kept confidential and your participation is voluntary; results will only be reported in aggregate form. To support the study's objectives, information you provide on publications and outcomes of grants may be reported publicly.***

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THE QUESTIONS IN THIS STUDY REFER TO THE FOLLOWING GRANT OF RECORD

MPRID:

Grant #: «Grant_»

Principal Investigator/Institution: «Principal_Investigator»

Grant Title: «Grant_Title»

NATURE OF RESEARCH

1. Which one of the following best defines the main goal behind the research funded through this AHRQ grant? *(CHECK ONLY ONE)*

- 1 Methods development
- 2 Feasibility study/pilot test
- 3 Developing a database to support future research
- 4 Basic knowledge development in a relevant area
- 5 Addressing particular policy relevant questions

2. Does this grant represent a continuation of prior studies you have done on the same or similar topics or a new focus for your research?
(CHECK ONLY ONE)

- 1 A continuation of prior studies
- 2 A new focus for your research

3. Did any other funder co-fund the research?

- 0 No
- 1 Yes (PLEASE SPECIFY WHO AND HOW MUCH)

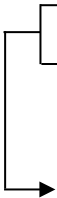
4. Have you received any follow-up funds to continue work on the topic supported by the AHRQ grant? *(CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)*

- 1 Yes, for further research
- 2 Yes, for dissemination (PLEASE DESCRIBE)

- 0 No

5. We know that modifications often are made as research progresses and issues or opportunities emerge. Which of the following would you say best describes the process through which your research under the grant evolved?

- 1 Pursued the research as originally specified
- 2 Made non-substantive changes to the research
- 3 Made some substantive changes to the research
- 4 Made many or major changes to the research



If you answered “some” or “many,” please (1) summarize the most significant change, (2) why it was made, and (3) what impact it had on the success of your project.

GRANT OUTCOMES

6. How much have you focused on each of the following means of documenting and disseminating the results of this AHRQ-supported research? Please check whether each is a major focus, minor focus, or not used in your efforts under this project.

	Major Focus	Minor Focus	Not Used
a. Journal article(s).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Book.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Chapter.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. Research report/working paper.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. User focused research brief/issue paper.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Paper or poster at research conference.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
g. Presentation at policy/user focused meeting.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
h. Policymaker briefings.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
i. Managerial briefings.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
j. Interest group briefings.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
k. Federal or state testimony.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
l. Expert witness.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
m. Mass media.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
n. Other	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>

7. Please summarize the main substantive findings from this AHRQ-supported research, noting the three most relevant findings as generally as possible in a sentence each. If it is too soon to tell because your study is still ongoing, please indicate this as well.

1 Too soon to tell

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

8. If others were interested in learning more about the findings generated from your AHRQ-supported research, list up to FOUR citations where they can find public information on these findings. For each, also indicate whether it is (1) a journal article; (2) a book or book chapter; (3) a report or working paper; (4) an issue, research or policy brief, (5) testimony; or (6) another type of information. If it is too soon to tell because your study is still ongoing, please note this as well.

a. _____
 _____ Type _____

b. _____
 _____ Type _____

c. _____
 _____ Type _____

d. _____
 _____ Type _____

9. How would you describe the impact your project has had to date? Would you say it has had a large impact, some impact, little impact, or no impact? If it is too soon to tell because your study is still ongoing, please note this as well.

1 Too soon to tell

	Large Impact	Some Impact	Little Impact	No Impact	Not Relevant to Grant Goals
a. Contributed in a significant way to general knowledge or current wisdom	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Developed new models of care delivery or policy design	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Developed new methods for conducting research	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. Informed the work of other researchers	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Contributed in a substantial way to the policy debate on a particular issue	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Contributed in a substantial way to changing organizations to make them more effective.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

.....
g. Helped to target better how future
research should be focused
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If you answered “large impact” to any of the above, please provide a brief explanation or evidence for this view

GRANT PROCESS

10. How well did AHRQ provide technical support on your grant on each of the following dimensions? If you do not view a dimension as being AHRQ’s job, please so indicate and provide no rating on that dimension.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Not AHRQ’s Job
a. Pre-award guidance.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐
b. Grant award.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐
c. Grant management.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐
d. Research methods.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐
e. Dissemination and communication of findings.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐
f. Linkages with others interested in the topic of your research.....	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐	4 ☐	5 ☐	0 ☐

11. What are AHRQ’s most substantial strengths in managing research on healthcare costs, productivity and market forces? _____

12. How could AHRQ improve its research management process for this kind of research? _____

13. For the next questions, we would like your perspective on funders of health services research on healthcare costs, productivity, organization and market forces. For each potential source of research funding listed below, please indicate whether you view the organization as being a major source of funding, as providing moderate funding, providing little funding, or providing no funding.

	Major Source of Funding	Moderate Funding	Little Funding	No Funding	No Opinion
a. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthcare Financing and Organization (HCFO) program.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, other programs.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. National Institutes of Health (NIH).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Other Federal or State Government (Please Specify)_____	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
g. Other Private Foundations (Please Specify): _____	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

13b. For each potential source of research funding listed below, please indicate whether **you** have received funding from that source.

	Received Support
a. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthcare Financing and Organization (HCFO) program	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
c. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, other programs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
d. National Institutes of Health (NIH)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
e. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
f. Other Federal or State Government (Please Specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
g. Other Private Foundation (Please Specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

14. For each potential source of research funding listed below, please indicate the quality of their technical support and interaction with grantees, regardless of whether you have received funding from that source.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know
a. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthcare Financing and Organization (HCFO) program.....	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, other programs.....	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. National Institutes of Health (NIH).....	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).....	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Other Federal or State Government (Please Specify): _____	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
g. Other Private Foundation (Please Specify): _____	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>

ABOUT YOU

15. Please indicate which of the following degrees you have earned and the area of study for these degrees.

Degree	Area of Study or Specialty:
1 <input type="checkbox"/> PhD or equivalent (ScD, DrPH, DBA).....	_____
2 <input type="checkbox"/> Master's of Public Health (MPH) or equivalent.....	_____
3 <input type="checkbox"/> Masters of Public Policy (MPP) or equivalent.....	_____
4 <input type="checkbox"/> Masters of Business Administration (MBA).....	_____
5 <input type="checkbox"/> Master's Degree, Other (Please Specify).....	_____
6 <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Degree (B.A.).....	_____
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Doctor (MD).....	_____
8 <input type="checkbox"/> Other Clinical Degree (Please Specify).....	_____

16. Which of the following **best** describes the type of place or institution for which you work?

- 1 Academic Institution
- 2 Independent research institution or "Think Tank"
- 3 Government
- 4 Health Care Delivery
- 5 Pharmaceutical Industry
- 6 Other Industry/Business Setting
- 7 Professional Trade, Consumer Organization
- 8 Other (Please Specify): _____

17. When this grant was funded, to what extent did each of the following sources provide your salary or other income?

	Major Extent	Limited Extent	None at All
a. Academic salary, tied to teaching.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Academic salary, core research funds.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Other grants.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. Contracted research.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Support for administrative functions.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Funded time for professional development.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
g. External consultant.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
h. Expert witness.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
i. Other (Please Specify): _____	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>

18. How much assistance did you receive through your organization or an affiliated organization for disseminating the results of research from this grant and related activity? If you did not use this resource for disseminating your results, please indicate this as well.

	Substantial Assistance	Moderate Assistance	Limited Assistance	No Assistance	Did not use this resource
a. Press Office for interaction with media.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Newsletters reporting on key findings from research.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Established working paper series.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. Established series of research/issue briefs.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Available funds to develop user oriented materials.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Information or training on how to understand and interact with potential users of research.....	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

19. How much of your professional time and resources would you most prefer to spend on each of the following activities?

	Substantial Amount	Moderate Amount	Limited Amount	Not at All	No Opinion
a. Conducting original research on questions you pose	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Collaborating with other researchers in the field studying similar topics	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Conducting original research on questions defined by potential users of the research	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
d. Synthesizing what existing research says on a topic	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Applying existing research to answer particular policy questions	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
f. Influencing the information available to policymakers to support their decision-making	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
g. Influencing the policy agenda to encourage certain values to be considered or issues to be addressed	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

20. About what percentage of your time would you say you spend **now** interacting with policymakers or other users of your research?

_____ percent (whole numbers)

21. About what percentage of your time you would *like* to spend this way?

_____ percent (whole numbers)

22. About what percentage of your salary and other professional income NOW is devoted to health services research? (CHECK ONLY ONE)

- 1 90-100 percent
- 2 75-89
- 3 50-74
- 4 25-49

- 5 □ 10-24
- 6 □ Under 10 percent

23. Is this amount of your salary currently devoted to health services research higher, lower, or about the same as when your grant was underway?

- 1 Much higher
- 2 Higher
- 3 About the same
- 4 Lower
- 5 Much lower
- 6 Can't recall

24. To ensure that the information about your grant is correct, please confirm your grant information below.

Grant #: «Grant_»
Principal Investigator/Institution: «Principal_Investigator» / «Affiliation»
Grant Title: «Grant_Title»
Project Start Date: «Date_Began»
Project Completion Date: «Date_Grant_Ended»
Total AHRQ Grant: «Funding_Amount»

Is the information provided above correct? 1 Yes 0 No

25. If the above information is not correct, please enter correct information in the spaces provided.

Grant #:
Principal Investigator/Institution:
Grant Title:
Project Start Date:
Project Completion Date:
Total AHRQ Grant:

Thank you for your time. Your responses to this survey are very important and will help us to determine how best to strengthen efforts to support research on healthcare costs, productivity, organization and markets in the future. If you have additional comments on this topic you would like to add, please do so below.