New Postdoctoral Fellowship in Comparative Effectiveness Research:  
QSCERT  
Deadline to submit: Friday, January 13, 2017

The Center for Healthcare Policy and Research (CHPR) is pleased to announce an opportunity for postdoctoral fellowship training (MD residents/fellows or PhD scholars) supported by funding from the Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research (AHRQ). The Quality, Safety, and Comparative Effectiveness Research Training (QSCERT) T32 Program is a multidisciplinary, postdoctoral training program in quality, safety and comparative effectiveness research with an emphasis on training future leaders in surgical, trauma, and urgent/emergency care and other areas of relevant outcomes research. T32 grants are institutional training grants to support promising researchers who have completed a doctoral-level degree and to do postdoctoral fellowships.

Scholars will participate in a two-year training course and will be selected based on a competitive application process in which academic qualifications, career goals, and the quality of the training environment will be important considerations for funding. Three (3) positions are available for 2017-2018.

In addition to the required CER core curriculum and career development components, scholars will choose one of three different training tracks. Each track is founded on the scholar’s prior experience and training (e.g., MD vs. PhD) and individual learning needs. It is possible (but not required) to obtain an MPH or MS degree as part of the fellowship.

All applicants must identify a potential faculty mentor at the time of application. Consultation is available with program leads to identify an appropriate mentor. In general, trainees will devote approximately 40 hours per week to training program activities, with a balance between curriculum requirements and research training commitments. As part of their training, clinician scholars will be required to maintain and cultivate their clinical expertise through limited clinical duties, grand rounds, and CME in their field to ensure that their research is intrinsically linked to patient care. Awardees will receive a stipend and limited research support funds.

Eligibility Criteria:

• Strong academic credentials and good communication skills
• Citizens or non-citizen nationals of the United States, or lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence, i.e., in possession of a currently valid Permanent Resident Card (USCIS Form I-551), or some other legal verification of legal admission as a permanent resident.
• Ability to commit to all requirements of the training program
• Hold an MD, DO, or PhD in an appropriate discipline, with completion of at least one year of residency training and achievement of medical licensure (if applicable)
• Interest in developing a career in quality, safety and/or comparative effectiveness research.

• Support from a mentor in the candidate’s proposed disciplinary home (i.e., a clinical department for MD graduates, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing for nursing PhD graduates, and the appropriate non-clinical department for other PhD graduates). All applications must submit the following materials by Friday, January 31, 2017 to tlduran@ucdavis.edu:
  - Completed application form, with a statement of specific research interests and goals for the proposed training period
  - Curriculum vitae, with any prior research publications or presentations listed
  - Two letters of recommendation, including one from the proposed faculty mentor at UC Davis
  - Mentor’s biosketch or CV
  - Official transcripts

For an application or questions contact: Teresa Duran, MS at tlduran@ucdavis.edu or (916) 734-4665