What Key Leaders Are Saying

About the PCORI Methodology Report and Standards

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“The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality appreciates the opportunity to work with PCORI’s Board of Governors and Methodology Committee to develop guidance on methods to assist researchers in conducting high quality patient-centered outcomes research. This guidance will ultimately help with the critical goals of ensuring evidence is understood and used to improve delivery of care.”

-- Richard Kronick, PhD, Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

“NIH appreciated the opportunity to work with PCORI on developing the Methodology Standards, and we hope that scientists who are developing new comparative effectiveness research studies will find them helpful. We look forward to ongoing collaborations with PCORI as it evaluates the impact of the standards on its rapidly growing research portfolio.”

-- Michael S. Lauer, MD, Director, Division of Cardiovascular Sciences, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, and National Institutes of Health representative to the PCORI Methodology Committee

“Our congratulations and thanks to PCORI and its Methodology Committee for generating an exceptional report and for the important role they play in advancing innovative standards and methods for patient centered outcomes research. The report’s emphasis on functional ways to engage patients in research, through training for both patients and investigators, is particularly welcome. Broader adoption of the standards described will no doubt enhance the impact, patient centeredness, and meaningfulness of PCORI investigation.”

-- Ann C. Bonham, PhD, Chief Scientific Officer, Association of American Medical Colleges

“The PCORI methods guidelines are a giant step towards achieving patient-centered care in the United States. They will encourage researchers to use the most appropriate scientific methods to inform the right care for the right person at the right time.”

-- Scott Braithwaite, MD, Past-President, Society for Medical Decision Making, and Chief, Division of Comparative Effectiveness and Decision Sciences, New York University School of Medicine

“The Methodology Committee’s report is a tremendous step forward. The standards offer health services researchers a common foundation for designing robust studies to answer questions that matter to patients, caregivers and other healthcare stakeholders.”

-- Lisa Simpson, MB, BCh, MPH, FAAP, President and CEO, Academy Health