

Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute Reauthorization Act of 2019

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Patient Engagement. – The Committee believes that much of the importance and success of PCORI lies in its mission to engage patients throughout the entire research process. As such, the Committee directs PCORI to maintain its commitment to robust and meaningful patient engagement, including in the selection of national priority topics and research questions and emphasize building patient capacity to engage in PCOR activities.

Dissemination and Implementation of Research Findings. – The Committee believes that the value that research provides can only be fully realized through effective dissemination and implementation. As such, the Committee strongly encourages PCORI and AHRQ to maintain their commitment to disseminating and implementing research findings, and provide strategies to facilitate the adoption of evidence into practice.

Interoperable Data Network. – The Committee recognizes the value of PCORnet in enhancing the research infrastructure and process. The Committee encourages continued investment in PCORnet, which supports researchers in conducting patient-centered and data-enabled research that delivers faster and meaningful results to patients and clinicians.

Research Agency Coordination. – The Committee recognizes the significant federal investment in research and values the unique perspectives and roles of the many different federal agencies funding and conducting research. The Committee believes there are opportunities for coordination, partnership, and leveraging of research efforts. As such, the Committee encourages PCORI to work to promote coordination and connectivity with the existing federal research structure, including the Agency for Health Care Quality Research, the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Defense, and the Veterans Health Administration.