Certificate Program in Practice-Based Research Methods

A training program to develop a new generation of PBRN investigators

Led by the 8 AHRQ-funded PBRN Centers of Excellence





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What is the purpose of the program?

The Certificate Program in Practice-Based Research Methods seeks to develop a new generation of independent investigators within the practice-based research network (PBRN) community. It will provide training in concepts, skills, and methods for conducting practice-based research and building PBRNs.

Who is leading it?

The program was developed by the 8 AHRQ-funded PBRN Centers of Excellence in Practice-Based Research and Learning. Together, they coordinate and oversee the program.

Who can participate?

The program is designed for individuals who aspire to become independent PBRN research investigators and for experienced investigators who want to develop expertise in PBRNs.

How much time will it take?

The time commitment is modest and is likely to fit into your current schedule. Fellows will devote approximately 4-6 hours/month to learning activities during the ten-month program. Each fellow will have a local mentor who devotes 1-2 hours/month.

How is the program structured?

The program uses three primary learning methods: 1) Participation in webinar-based training and discussion seminars taught by PBRN experts; 2) Development and presentation of a research concept paper for a PBRN study; and 3) Development and presentation of a Specific Aims section. The program will culminate at a Convocation held prior to the NAPCRG National PBRN Conference in Bethesda, MD in June 2016.

What are the benefits of participating?

You will receive training from many of the world's leading PBRN investigators and you'll build skills that accelerate your development as a research investigator. You will also meet and interact with key leaders in the PBRN field.

How can I learn more about the program?

Please contact the program's Co-Directors, listed in box to the left. Applications are due by 9/20/15.