



Continuing Education Activity

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Title: National Health Care Quality and Disparities: Driving Change through Patient-Centered Research

Presented by: Dr. Carolyn M. Clancy, Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

Date: February 19, 2013
Estimated Time: 1 Hour
Course Format: In-person Presentation
Course Fee: Free

Activity Goal/Description: Dr. Clancy will review current trends and issues in health care quality and access, particularly as they relate to disparities and other pressures that are shaping the direction of service delivery, including transparency, the adoption of health information technology and promoting a culture of patient-centered care.

Target Audience: Physicians and other Health Care Professionals

Activity Learning Objective: By the end of the presentation, you should be able to identify quality measures for which there are disparities related to age, race, ethnicity and income and trends in overall quality measures.

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Carolyn M. Clancy, M.D., (developer/presenter) was appointed Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) on February 5, 2003, and reappointed on October 9, 2009. Prior to her appointment, Dr. Clancy was Director of AHRQ's Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research.

Dr. Clancy, a general internist and health services researcher, is a graduate of Boston College and the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Following clinical training in internal medicine, Dr. Clancy was a Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania. Before joining AHRQ in 1990, she was also an assistant professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at the Medical College of Virginia.

Dr. Clancy holds an academic appointment at the George Washington University School of Medicine (Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Medicine) and serves as Senior Associate Editor for the journal *Health Services Research*. She serves on multiple editorial boards, including *Annals of Internal Medicine*, *Annals of Family Medicine*, *American Journal of Medical Quality*, and *Medical Care Research and Review*.

Dr. Clancy is a member of the Institute of Medicine and was elected a Master of the American College of Physicians in 2004. In 2009, she was awarded the William B. Graham Prize for Health Services Research.

Dr. Clancy's major research interests include improving health care quality and patient safety and reducing disparities in care associated with patients' race, ethnicity, gender, income, and education. As Director of AHRQ, she launched the first annual report to Congress on health care disparities and health care quality.

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