RESEARCH

Informing Latina Women About Medications to Reduce the Risk of Breast Cancer  
Description: To increase the use, impact, and implementation of the recommendations of this CER by adapting and testing innovative alternative strategies among Spanish-speaking women at risk for breast cancer.

Comparative Effectiveness of Bariatric Surgery and Non-Surgical Therapy in Adults with Metabolic Conditions and Body Mass Index of 30 to 34.  
Description: Synthesize the evidence regarding the comparative effectiveness of bariatric surgery for treating adult patients with BMI of 30 to 34.9 and metabolic conditions, including diabetes.

Multidisciplinary Approach To Improving Outcomes Following Bariatric Surgery.  
Description: To identify the predictive factors of successful outcomes for patients undergoing bariatric surgery using combination of expert panel and prospective data collection at multiple sites.

Using Quality Indicators to Improve the Care of Breast Cancer Patients.  
Description: Measure adherence rates of previously developed quality indicators for breast cancer patients. Target key areas where improvement is needed to develop future implementation project.

VA Health Service Research Development Evidence Synthesis Project: Disparities in Joint Replacement  
Description: Systematic literature review assessing the racial and gender disparities in receipt of joint replacement and outcomes.

Development and Application of Appropriateness Criteria to Assess Variations in Use of Surgical Procedures in the US.  
Description: Systematic literature review synthesizing the development and application of surgical appropriateness criteria. Assess the gaps in development for top common inpatient and outpatient procedures, application to determine underuse and overuse, and link to outcomes.

AWARDS

- NIH Loan Repayment Program Award (3-yr)
- Executive Board, Surgical Outcomes Club

FUNDING

- Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research
- Robert Wood Johnson Physician Faculty Scholar Program

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