Innovative Diffusion of Comparative Effectiveness Research

**Description**
The purpose of this study was to develop and deliver a training program to educate physicians and pharmacists who serve or support pharmacy and therapeutics (P&T) committees at hospitals and health plans and make decisions about which medicines are safe for their patients and to use comparative effectiveness research (CER) methods and programs.

**Project Aims**
The main aims of this study are to:

1. Assess the needs of key health care decision makers affiliated with P&T committees.
2. Develop educational programs to address the needs of the P&T committees.
3. Evaluate the educational program

**Findings**
The results of the evaluation indicated that the educational program on CER was effective in improving P&T professionals’ self-reported knowledge and ability to use associated materials; it did not sufficiently improve their attitudes towards CER.

**Health Condition Addressed**
Multiple

**Dissemination Tool and/or Method**
Educational Program
http://cer.pharmacy.arizona.edu/

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