For the purpose of informing interested faculty, please be aware of the following opportunity:

**PAR-09-257: AHRQ Grant Program for Large or Recurring Conferences (R13)**

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services, is soliciting proposals to support conferences that help to further its mission to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. The types of conferences eligible for support include: 1) Research development - conferences where issues or challenges in the practice and delivery of health care are defined and a research agenda or strategy for studying them is developed; 2) Research design and methodology - conferences where methodological and technical issues of major importance to the field of health services research are addressed or new designs and methodologies are developed; 3) Dissemination and implementation - conferences where research findings and evidence-based information and tools are summarized, communicated and used by organizations and individuals that have the capability to use the information to improve the outcomes, quality, access to, and cost and utilization of health care services; and/or, 4) Research training, infrastructure and career development - conferences where faculty, trainees and students are brought together with stakeholders to develop, share or disseminate research products, experiences, curricula, syllabi, or training competencies.

AHRQ is especially interested in supporting conferences that include plans for disseminating complimentary conference materials and products beyond the participants attending the event. Such strategies might include, but are not limited to, submitting articles for publication, posting information on a Web site, and seeking formal opportunities to discuss conference information with others.

For more information about this opportunity please see the full solicitation (PAR-09-257).
Awards pursuant to this funding opportunity are contingent upon the availability of funds and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications. Cost sharing is not required. Complete award information is found in the full solicitation.

**Deadline for Proposal to OR-Sponsored Programs:** 12/4/2009

(Please see the solicitation for complete application & submission information.)

Please contact Sponsored Programs (4-2402) with questions regarding proposal submission requirements.

**Deadline for Proposal Submission to Agency:** 12/12/2009

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