Editorial

Best of the AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting

In this issue of *Health Services Research*, we are pleased to publish the second installment of our featured section, “The Best of the 2013 AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting (ARM)”. We anticipate publishing annually a set of articles based on abstracts submitted to the ARM and selected to be outstanding by both reviewers from the ARM themes and *HSR*’s own editorial staff and reviewers.

HSR has been an official journal of AcademyHealth for many years, and this new feature is the latest in a string of successful collaborative efforts intended to showcase significant work in the field of health services research in a timely manner. Early in 2013, we requested from AcademyHealth staff members the top three abstracts from each of the ARM themes plus an additional two to three abstracts from those themes most reflective of HSR’s mission and audience interests. From approximately 30 abstracts, the editors of HSR selected 15 and their authors were invited to submit a full manuscript for consideration for publication. The submitted manuscripts went through expedited review, culminating in the five articles appearing in this issue.

We would like to thank AcademyHealth staff, particularly Anna Lafayette and Jennifer Muldoon, for their assistance in enabling this special feature, as well as our own editorial staff and reviewers in expediting the review process for these manuscripts. Authors planning on submitting an abstract to the 2014 AcademyHealth ARM who would like to be considered for HSR Best of ARM publication should consult the instructions provided with the 2014 ARM abstract solicitation. We hope that our readers find value in this new feature and look forward to future contributions.

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