Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Medicine Institute Center for Value-Based Care Research (CVCR) quarterly newsletter! In this inaugural issue, we provide the first glimpse into CVCR’s mission and objectives. CVCR is a leader in the development, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of value-centered health care. CVCR focuses on the following areas:

1. Development and use of personalized risk assessment and shared decision-making tools to improve value in health care by increasing quality and lowering costs. We seek to deliver the right care, at the right time, to the right patients, at lower cost.
2. Delivery system changes, including new care structures, payment models, incentive programs, and care pathways.
3. Observational studies that take advantage of variation in care among a large number of providers to assess and disseminate information on effective and cost-saving care.
4. Found costs of health IT, including measures of success at the point of care. Incorporating important patient information into medical decision-making will improve care coordination and patient education.
5. CVCR also uses data to improve patients’ quality of life, patient safety, and other outcomes.

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Featured Publication

Abhishek Deshpande, MD, PhD
Dr. Deshpande is Assistant Staff in the Department of Internal Medicine and the Department of Infectious Diseases. Dr. Deshpande’s research focuses on disease prevention, care redesign, the use of financial incentives to improve health, and evaluation of provider variation in primary care and acute care. Dr. Deshpande’s strengths include decision analysis, biostatistics, and some economics.

Kathryn Martinez, PhD, MPH
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Phar Le is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Medicine Institute CVCR. Her research focuses on disease prevalence, early intervention, hospital mortality, and spine surgery. Her methods include modeling, cost-effectiveness analyses, decision analysis, and health economic evaluations. Her research interests center on decision making for resource allocation, preventive care, and cost-effectiveness analyses.

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