

**University of North Texas School of Public Health
Research Collaborative
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Organization Description of Interests for Collaboration

Name of Organization: Baylor Health Care System (BHCS) Institute for Health Care Research and Improvement (IHCRI)

Description (100 words or less)

The Institute for Health Care Research and Improvement (IHCRI) was established in 1999 to conduct and support research related to clinical effectiveness and quality improvement throughout Baylor Health Care System (BHCS).

Key Areas of Interest for Collaboration (Check all that apply and specify as needed)

- X Cancers (Specify): Breast Cancer Clinic Decision Support; Patient Centered Communication
- X Cardiovascular Diseases (Specify): _____
- X Diabetes/Obesity (Specify): Impact of clinical decision support on process and outcomes for diabetic patients; Impact of hypoglycemic on long-term outcomes of diabetics; Patient empowerment and outcomes in diabetics
- _____ Asthma/Respiratory Diseases (Specify): _____
- X Other Diseases/Conditions: (Please list and specify): Improvement of care for chronic disease
- X Access to Care (Specify): Improving access for under insured and uninsured populations, especially related to diabetes
- X Quality of Care (Specify): Detection and amelioration of adverse events in inpatient and ambulatory settings; standardization of care through use of order sets
- X Cost of Care (Specify): Cost of care related to adverse events and adverse drug events; Cost-effectiveness analysis related to QI
- X Populations of Interest: (Please list and specify): Uninsured populations
- X Other (Please list and specify): The impact of health information technology on clinical and financial outcome in both ambulatory and inpatient care settings.