## Associate Director, Center for Delivery, Organization and Markets

The Center for Delivery, Organization, and Markets (CDOM) at AHRQ provides a locus of expertise and leadership for research on health care markets, delivery systems, payment strategies, public reporting strategies, and organizations. CDOM staff serve as an interdisciplinary in-house team to identify emerging research needs, manage a portfolio of research grants and contracts, conduct and publish peer-reviewed research, develop databases, measures, and software tools that can be used with the databases, and work with policy-makers and others to facilitate implementation of the evidence. The ultimate goal of the Center is to help improve the efficiency, quality and value of healthcare by providing evidence and tools that decision-makers need, and facilitating the implementation and spread of effective practices and policies. We are seeking an Associate Director to serve as a deputy to the Center Director (Irene Fraser) and provide operational management for the Center, while also lending programmatic expertise to major programs.

The Center for Delivery, Organization and Markets includes 30 staff and several flagship programs for the Agency: The Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project, the HIV Research Network, the AHRQ Quality Indicators, a web-based tool for public reporting, a significant grant, contract, and intramural program, a provider-based research and implementation network (Accelerating Change and Transformation in Organizations and Networks or ACTION), and a nationwide system of community quality collaboratives, the Chartered Value Exchanges. The Center also houses the Value Portfolio, a body of work designed to find ways to maintain or improve quality while improving the value and affordability of health care. To achieve its goals, the Center has active partnerships in the federal and state policy community and the private sector. The staff is multidisciplinary and is involved in active collaborations and partnerships across the Agency and the Department, and with the private sector. The Associate Director will facilitate this work by providing day-to-day operational management. This is a new Civil Service position at the GS-15 level, in the Social Science series. Here is a link to this position.

Associate Director, GS-101-15, Rockville, MD

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