

PCORI Funding Announcement (PFA): Treatment Options for Age-Related Hearing Loss

This PCORI funding announcement (PFA) invites applications for high-quality comparative effectiveness research (CER) projects that focus on treatment options for adults 50 years or older with mild to moderate age-related hearing loss or presbycusis. Investigators should address important decisional dilemmas by comparing treatment options that may include hearing devices and/or the support service models accompanying these devices. Hearing devices may encompass, but are not limited to, hearing aids or personal sound amplification products.

Examples of support service models include audiologist or licensed technician fitting of hearing aids, patient self-selection and fitting of hearing aids, and counseling or education interventions. Proposed comparators must have established evidence of efficacy for hearing-related outcomes or widespread use.

PCORI solicits the submission of applications that propose rigorous randomized controlled trials or observational prospective cohort studies that evaluate the comparative effectiveness of hearing loss interventions on important patient-centered outcomes such as hearing-specific health-related quality of life or psychosocial outcomes as well as relevant functional outcomes for device comparisons for up to 6 months.

Announcement will open January 3, 2019

Letter of Intent: January 31, 2019

Application: April 24, 2019

Total Direct Costs: Up to \$2 million (PCORI does not fund intervention costs) Maximum
Project Period: 3 years

Information:

<https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities/announcement/treatment-options-age-related-hearing-loss-cycle-1-2019>