



# HSRProj

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# About HSRProj

Unlike other databases that provide information on completed and published research, the HSRProj (Health Services Research Projects in Progress) database provides information about grants and contracts in health services research that are still in progress. The National Information Center on Health Services Research and Health Care Technology (NICHSR) coordinates the continued development of this free database for the National Library of Medicine (NLM). HSRProj is also accessible as part of the “Other Information Resources” category of resources in the NLM Internet Gateway.

Records include both grants and contracts awarded by major public and private funding agencies and foundations. Individuals can retrieve names of performing and sponsoring organizations, principal investigator contact information, beginning and ending dates of the project, and information about study design and methodology—including demographic characteristics of the study group, number of subjects in the study population, population base of the study sample, and source of the project data. Records are indexed with the NLM Medical Subject Headings (MeSH®). Project abstracts are included whenever possible.

## Why use HSRProj?

HSRProj provides a snapshot of the most recent and ongoing health services research projects.

Use HSRProj to identify:

- ◆ Individuals who are conducting cutting-edge health services research now;
- ◆ Colleagues who may be interested in collaborating professionally or in discussing the policy implications of a given area of research;
- ◆ Government agencies, private organizations, and foundations funding many types of health services research; and,
- ◆ Specific ongoing health services research projects, such as racial disparities in health care, medical errors/patient safety, small area analysis, etc.



## HSRProj Objectives

The purpose of HSRProj is to provide access to ongoing research projects before the results are available in a published form. To allow time for investigators to complete their projects and publish findings, records remain in the database for a period of four years after the end date of the project. The time between the completion of a research project and the publication of the research findings can range from 6 to 24 months. The findings of a recently completed, but not yet published, health services research project can be particularly valuable to health policymakers and other researchers. By listing ongoing and recently completed research projects, HSRProj can provide researchers and policymakers with a vital link to information that is not readily available from other sources.

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## What is health services research?

Health services research is the multidisciplinary field of scientific investigation that studies how social factors, financing systems, organizational structures and processes, health technologies, and personal behaviors affect access to health care, the quality and cost of health care, and ultimately our health and well-being. Its research domains are individuals, families, organizations, institutions, communities, and populations.

— *AcademyHealth (Approved by the Board of Directors June 24, 2000)*

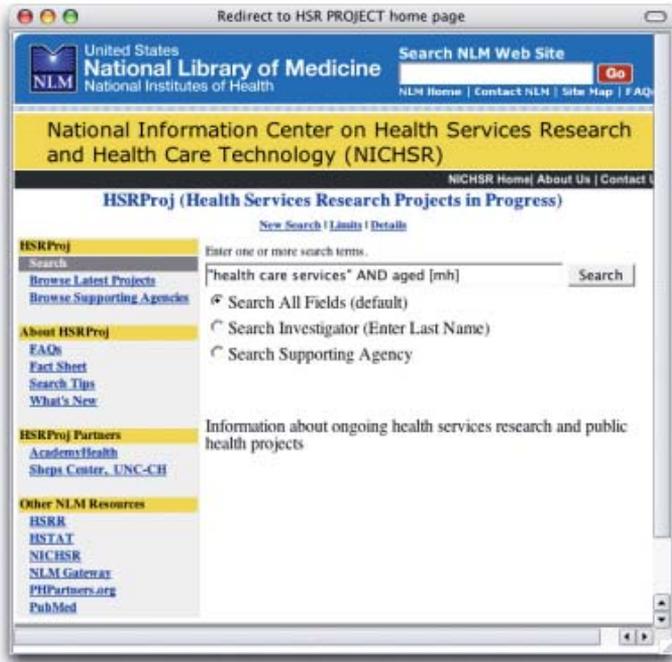
Health services research examines how people get access to health care, how much care costs, and what happens to patients as a result of this care. The main goals of health services research are to identify the most effective ways to organize, manage, finance, and deliver high-quality care; reduce medical errors; and improve patient safety.

— *Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (February 2002)*

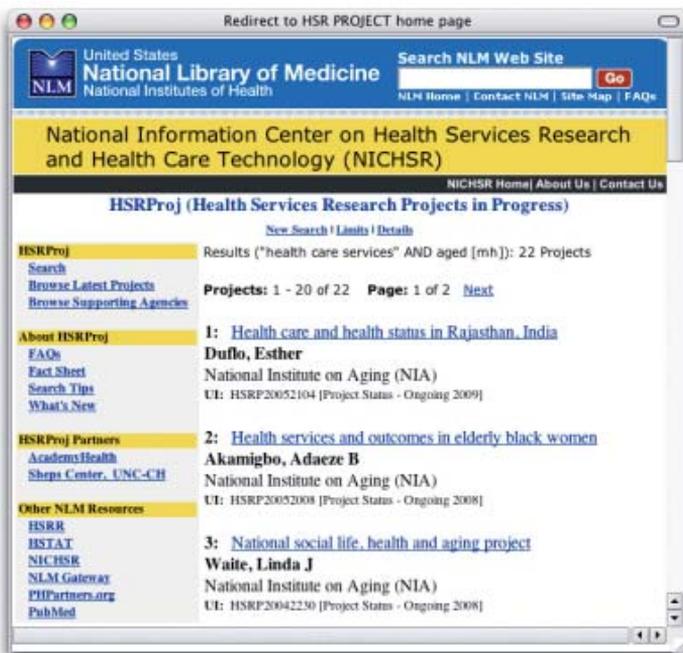
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- ▶ Enter search terms in the query box. Use double quotes (“”) around the terms to search for a multi-word phrase, Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT), and field tags enclosed in square brackets to search within a field (e.g., [ir] to search for investigator).
- ▶ Select the type of search (e.g., investigator/researcher or supporting/funding agency).
- ▶ To conduct a more-tailored search (e.g., if you are seeking projects recently added to HSRProj, projects funded in a particular year or in a certain state, or completed projects), click on the limits option above the query box and enter the appropriate parameters.
- ▶ Click the search button. A results screen is displayed.



- ▶ HSRProj records are displayed in a brief format, displaying the project title, full name of investigator, sponsoring agency, unique identifier number, and project status. Note that HSRProj displays records in reverse chronological order of the project's status. (For example, a project that has an end date of 2009 will appear before a project that has an end date of 2005.)
- ▶ View the full record by clicking on the hyperlink of the project title (this opens a new browser window).
- ▶ Use the print function of your browser to print all the information displayed on the Web page.

# Sample Record

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**Health services and outcomes in elderly black women**

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**Performing Organization URL:** <http://www.public-health.uiowa.edu/hmp/>

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**Supporting Agency:** National Institute on Aging (NIA)

**Supporting Agency URL:** <http://www.nia.nih.gov/>

**Initial Year:** 2004

**Final Year:** 2008

**Grant Support:** F31AG024674-01

**Award Type:** Grant

**Abstract:** The proposed predoctoral study will lead to an in-depth evaluation of the models for delivering **health care services** to elderly black women. One of the main objectives of the study will be to first develop a clear understanding of the factors that play a role in the health status of older black women such as employment status, economic factors, psychosocial settings, education, access to needed **health care services**, and the quality of those services. Another objective is to identify outcomes measures for specific conditions, which accurately reflect the quality of care from the patient's standpoint and the benefits of managing chronic illnesses.

**Mesh Terms:**

- \*African Americans
- **Aged**
- Aging
- Chronic Disease
- Delivery of Health Care

## Is your project in HSRProj?

Do you want to receive worldwide recognition for your contributions to solving today's health care cost, quality, and access problems? Join more than 100 organizations that participate in the HSRProj database. We also invite health services researchers to submit a description of their current health services research project. Send an e-mail to [hsrproj@academyhealth.org](mailto:hsrproj@academyhealth.org), or complete an online submission form at [www.academyhealth.org/hsrproj/input.cfm](http://www.academyhealth.org/hsrproj/input.cfm).

## Questions?

Call AcademyHealth HSRProj staff at 202.292.6700, e-mail [hsrproj@academyhealth.org](mailto:hsrproj@academyhealth.org), or visit [www.academyhealth.org/hsrproj](http://www.academyhealth.org/hsrproj). For technical assistance, click on Contact Us on the top of the screen at [www.nlm.nih.gov/hsrproj](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/hsrproj).

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