

## **AHRQ ACTION**

The Department of Health Policy was selected to join an elite pool of healthcare organizations that are permitted to bid on a series of rapid-cycle research contracts under the auspices of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). Under this program, called AHRQ ACTION (Accelerating Change and Transformation in Organizations and Networks), fifteen coalitions of researchers, providers and insurers have been granted exclusive access to future task orders aimed at translating quality improvement research into better care in the hospital and ambulatory care settings. Jefferson's coalition partners include the CNA Corporation, Sentara Healthcare, the Virginia Health Quality Center, the Center for Excellence in Aging and Geriatric Health, and Ivan Walks and Associates. Other coalitions include the Rand Corporation, NCQA, JCAHO, Cigna, WellPoint, the Mayo Clinic, Geisinger Health System, and others.