## **AHEC 2016 Call for Papers**

Vanderbilt University is pleased to host the 27th Annual Health Economics Conference (AHEC) October 13-14, 2016. The conference is supported jointly by the Owen Graduate School of Management, the Vanderbilt Law School, the Department of Health Policy, the Department of Economics, and the College of Arts & Sciences at Vanderbilt.

A small number of papers (with a target of 12) will be selected for the conference. Approximately one hour will be devoted to each paper in order to facilitate in-depth discussion (around 30 minutes for the presenting author, 15 minutes for an assigned discussant, and 15 minutes for discussion with the audience). We invite both theoretical and empirical papers on health economics topics and encourage the participation of economists in all fields whose current research focuses on health care issues. Papers addressing issues of quality, coverage and access are particularly sought, as are papers on topics related to public-private partnerships in health care. Submissions on any area of health economics will receive full consideration, however. We will aim for a mix of scholars - established and new to the field. Papers will be chosen based on their originality, degree of innovation, and rigor.

AHEC is an invitation-only conference with attendance restricted to people actively participating as presenters or discussants.

## **Submit a Paper for Presentation**

A panel of health economists will select 10 to 12 papers for presentation at AHEC. Selection of participants will be based on abstracts, though full papers are required in advance of the meeting. If you would like to present at AHEC, please submit a completed paper or an extended abstract (1 to 2 pages) no later than 5:00 p.m. CST Monday, June 6, 2016 via email to: HPEvents@vanderbilt.edu.

## **Discussants**

While discussants are typically drawn from paper submitters, if you would like to participate as a discussant without submitting an abstract for consideration, please indicate your interest by submitting your information via email to: HPEvents@vanderbilt.edu no later than 5:00 p.m. CST Monday, June 6, 2016.

## Logistics

The conference sessions will take place at the Owen Graduate School of Management. The conference will run from approximately 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 13, through 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 14. Participants are expected to stay for the entire conference. Conditional upon funding from AHRQ we will continue with the model that conference invitees pay the cost of travel, and the lodging and most meals will be covered by the conference planners.

Please forward this announcement widely to any researchers who may be interested. We look forward to seeing you in Nashville 'Music City', Tennessee in October!