

CHHS announcements for week of Oct. 5:

*CHHS announcements are sent to staff and faculty each week. To have one included on this list, please email it to Communication Director Jody Grenert by the Friday beforehand. Looking for a previous announcement? Go to the archive online at: [http://www.hhs.ohiou.edu/chhs/news\\_information\\_staff\\_announcements.aspx](http://www.hhs.ohiou.edu/chhs/news_information_staff_announcements.aspx)*

*From Jody Grenert in the Dean's Office:*

## Faculty / staff photo session set for Thursday

If you joined the CHHS staff and faculty during the past year and haven't had your staff photo taken yet, please plan to stop by Grover E303 on Thursday, Oct. 8, and have this done. A professional photographer will be on hand from 11 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary, and the individual photo sessions usually take less than 5 minutes. This head shot will be used on the Web staff directory, as well as in College publications. If you already have a staff photo but aren't happy with it (check it at: [http://www.hhs.ohiou.edu/chhs/directory\\_alphabetical\\_staff\\_listing.aspx](http://www.hhs.ohiou.edu/chhs/directory_alphabetical_staff_listing.aspx)), you're welcome to have a new one taken Thursday.

*Next two items from Andrea Gibson in OU Research Communications:*

## Deadline is Thursday for OU Research Committee awards

The deadline for faculty to apply for funding from the Ohio University Research Committee (OURC) program is 4 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 8. More information, guidelines and forms are available at the VP for Research web site here:

<http://www.ohio.edu/research/ourc.cfm>

This program provides competitive awards up to \$8,000 for seed funding for new projects or new faculty initiatives. Questions should be directed to: Carma West, westc@ohio.edu, 740.593.1007.

## Wanted: Ideas for research-related stories

If you have a story idea that you think would be a great fit for *Perspectives*, Ohio University's research magazine, please email it to Andrea Gibson ([gibsona@ohio.edu](mailto:gibsona@ohio.edu)) by Oct. 26 and copy Jody Grenert on the message ([grenert@ohio.edu](mailto:grenert@ohio.edu)). Andrea is currently collecting story tips for use in our spring/summer 2010 issue.

She is specifically looking for stories about:

- New study findings, books, exhibits produced by faculty and graduate students
- Faculty profile subjects – great stories behind the research, as well as synergies with research/teaching/service
- Notable undergraduate research/scholarship/creative work
- Interdisciplinary projects that are yielding some great results
- Topical subjects that can be used as an angle to talk about related work going on at Ohio University
- A really eye-catching photo for the back cover with an extended caption

*Next two items from Jennifer Horner in the Dean's Office:*

## Methods guide for comparative effectiveness reviews

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality has made available systematic reviews of existing research on the effectiveness, comparative effectiveness and comparative harms of different health-care interventions, information that is intended to provide relevant evidence to inform real-world health-care decisions for patients, providers, and policymakers.

In an effort to improve the transparency, consistency and scientific rigor of the work of the Effective Health Care (EHC) Program, through a collaborative effort, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), the Scientific Resource Center, and the Evidence-based Practice Centers (EPCs) have developed the Methods Guide for Comparative Effectiveness Reviews. You can access it at:

<http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/healthInfo.cfm?infotype=rr&ProcessID=60>

## Research reviews available online

Research reviews from the Effective Health Care initiative are reported in several formats by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality at the link below. Comparative Effectiveness Reviews and Effectiveness Reviews aim to provide comprehensive appraisal and synthesis of evidence. Updates apply systematic methods to bring CERs and Evidence Reviews up to date by reviewing the current literature.

Technical Briefs aim to provide an overview of key issues related to an emerging diagnostic or therapeutic intervention. All research reviews are produced by the Evidence-based Practice Centers. To be notified when new Research Reviews become available, you can join the email list.

<http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/healthInfo.cfm?infotype=rr>