



# Effective Health Care

## Acute and Post-acute Treatments for Chronic Illness Nomination Summary Document

### Results of Topic Selection Process & Next Steps

- The topic, *Acute and Post-acute Treatments for Chronic Illness*, did not include enough information for further assessment by the Effective Health Care Program. No further activity will be undertaken on this topic.

### Topic Description

**Nominator(s):** *Individual*  
**Nomination Summary:** The nominator states that acute care treatments that kill cells will not work as evidenced by epidemic chronic illness and asks how the differentiation of acute and post-acute treatments is being addressed. No other information is provided in the nomination.

### Considerations

- The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), through its Evidence-based Practice Centers (EPCs), sponsors the development of systematic reviews to assist public- and private-sector organizations in their efforts to improve the quality of health care in the United States. These reviews provide comprehensive, science-based information on common, costly medical conditions, and new health care technologies and strategies. Systematic reviews are the building blocks underlying evidence-based practice; they focus attention on the strength and limits of evidence from research studies about the effectiveness and safety of a clinical intervention.
- This topic could not be further evaluated because it did not include enough information in the original nomination to define the relevant populations, interventions, comparators, and/or outcomes of interest. No further program activity will be undertaken on this nomination.