The award allowed me to hone my skills as a researcher and focus on my dissertation with the goal of translating evidence from randomized controlled trials to real world data in order to improve the health outcomes of youth diagnosed with depression.

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Health Outcomes Research spans a broad spectrum of issues from studies evaluating the effectiveness of pharmaceutical intervention to the impact of reimbursement policies on outcomes of care. It also ranges from the development and use of patient-level real-world data and tools to perform patient-based assessments to analyses of the best way to disseminate the results of outcomes research to providers or consumers to encourage behavior change.

Health Outcomes Research incorporates a variety of research methods, data and tools from different disciplines. The application of Health Outcomes Research principles in evaluating the design, delivery, safe use, and effectiveness of pharmaceuticals includes the following general areas:

Pharmacoeconomics evaluates behavior of individuals, organizations, and markets relevant to the use of pharmaceutical products, services, and programs. The discipline frequently focuses on the cost (inputs) and consequence (outcomes) of the use of pharmaceuticals.

Clinical Outcomes Assessment (COA) includes Patient-Reported Outcomes, Clinician-Reported Outcomes, Performance Outcomes and Observer-Reported Outcomes. COA focuses on the value assigned to duration of life as modified by the impairment of physical, social, and psychological functional states, symptoms, satisfaction, perceptions, and opportunities influenced by disease, injury, treatment, or policy.

Patient-Level Real-World Data and Analytic Tools: Health Outcomes Research depends on the evolving and increasing use, and evaluation technologies, analyses and patient-level prospective databases (e.g. electronic medical records, health insurance claims data, registries, patient health-networks, patient health status monitoring) to assist in better understanding diseases and interventions.

Analysis and terminology under the umbrella of health outcomes include:

- Biomarkers and Genetic Epidemiology
- Burden of Disease
- Clinical Outcomes Assessment
- Comparative Effectiveness Research
- Compliance/Adherence
- Cost-Benefit Analysis
- Cost-Effectiveness Analysis
- Cost Utility Analysis
- Health Services Research
- Health Technology Assessment
- Patient Engagement in Research
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Pharmacoepidemiology
- Real-World Data and Evidence
- Value Assessment

Note: To be considered eligible for an award, health outcomes research proposals should be directly or indirectly related to pharmaceutical interventions.