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AWARDS

Yanfang Su, Sc.D. Candidate, Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH), and Zhongliang Zhou, Ph.D., Xi'an Jiaotong University received the first place prize on the 25th annual Poster & Exhibit Day at HSPH on April 25th, 2011 for their study "New Estimates of Elasticity of Demand for Healthcare in Rural China". The award was also featured in HSPH news on May 13th. The study found that, as household income grows, patients are more sensitive to increases in the cost of outpatient care services and that they tend to spend more on inpatient care services. Their study sheds light on whether and how to incorporate outpatient care services into health insurance plans in rural China.

Yusheng Zhang, MD, MPH, MBA, Clinical Research Manager at Wellpoint, and Chenhui Liu, MD, MPH, Research Fellow at Harvard School of Public Health, received the Best Poster Award at the Westlake Forum III hold in Atlanta, GA on April 10-12, 2011. Dr. Zhang's study probed the risk factors of malpractice at two Maternal and Child Health Centers located in Beijing. His study finds that medical injuries and negligence from health care providers are the two most significant risk factors for malpractice lawsuit.