



NEW JERSEY
HEALTH CARE
**QUALITY
INSTITUTE**

**Improving the
Safety, Quality,
and Affordability
of Health Care
for Everyone**





ABOUT THE QUALITY INSTITUTE

AT THE QUALITY INSTITUTE, WE BELIEVE THAT COLLABORATION IS ESSENTIAL TO IMPROVING OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.

That's why we bring providers, payers, patients and decision makers together to advance health care safety, quality, and affordability. We're the only independent, nonpartisan advocate working in New Jersey to promote accountability and transparency. We have more than 100 unique member organizations — all committed to improving health care for everyone.

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"For twenty years, the Quality Institute has focused on collaborative problem-solving to make health care safer and more affordable."

HEATHER HOWARD, JD

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"The Quality Institute brings together members and government leaders to share best practices and to bring innovative ideas and action to New Jersey."



ARTURO BRITO, MD, MPH

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
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"We've funded Quality Institute projects for many years, and they consistently deliver impactful results which meet our goals to bring high quality affordable care to our vulnerable populations and to ensure state-supported health care is financially sustainable."

MEMBER BENEFITS



EXPOSURE

- ✓ Opportunity to be Featured in our E-Newsletter as a Take 5 Interview
- ✓ Opportunity to Have Events Listed on QI Events Calendar
- ✓ Opportunity to Sponsor Mayors Wellness Campaign Activities for Elevated Visibility
- ✓ Link to your Organization Website on our Membership Page
- ✓ Recognition on our multiple Social Media Platforms
- ✓ Participation in Events and Work Groups with State Policymakers
- ✓ Complimentary Access to All Member-Only Networking Events
- ✓ Opportunity to be Highlighted as a Webinar Content Expert or Event Speaker



EDUCATION

- ✓ Invitation to All-Council Conferences and Quality Breakfasts
- ✓ Organization-Wide Access to Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter
- ✓ Support for Submissions to the Leapfrog Group's Hospital and Ambulatory Surgery Center Survey
- ✓ Access to Webinars from the Network for Regional Health Improvement
- ✓ Opportunity to Receive CE Credits for our Quality Improvement Webinars
- ✓ Complimentary Training on Aunt Bertha, a Social Service Referral Tool
- ✓ Opportunity to Participate in Mental Health First Aid Training to Learn How to Help Someone Who is Developing a Mental Health Problem or Experiencing a Mental Health Crisis
- ✓ Opportunity to Participate in Accredited Online Education from Medical Marijuana 411 (MM411), One of the First and Most Trusted Online Resources for Medical Cannabis Education

MEMBER BENEFITS



ADVOCACY

- ✓ Dedicated Quality Institute Staff Ambassador Assigned to Meet Your Membership Needs
- ✓ Opportunity to Participate in Policy Work Groups to Develop and Inform Public Policy Recommendations
- ✓ Opportunity to Access our Staff for Speaking Engagements



COST SAVINGS

- ✓ 10% Discount on Contracted Services with Aunt Bertha Social Services Referral Platform
- ✓ 10% Discount on CE Accredited Education from MM411 Online Resources for Medical Cannabis Education.

OUR WORK

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WORK, PLEASE VISIT [NJHCQI.ORG/OUR-WORK](https://njhcqi.org/our-work)



POLICY

At the Quality Institute we believe our unique multi-stakeholder approach is key to making sure that every voice in health care is represented when developing health care policy. We offer solutions to state leaders that have the support of a wide range of stakeholders.

We drive improvements in health policy by:

- Developing evidence-based policy through our Medicaid Policy Center (MPC). The MPC is dedicated to advancing the quality and cost effectiveness — and long-term sustainability — of the state's Medicaid program.
- Working with the state Department of Health and the New Jersey Innovation Institute to develop the New Jersey Health Information Network (NJHIN). The NJHIN is a legal and technical platform that allows for the electronic exchange of clinical data across health care providers in New Jersey.



EDUCATION

At the Quality Institute we know that improving the health care system requires the commitment of dedicated professionals who need support and continuing education.

We educate our members by:

- Offering CE accredited webinars on clinical quality improvement topics through the QI Collaborative, the learning network of the Quality Institute.
- Running Health Policy & Leadership iLab, a policy course for mid-to-senior-level executives working in health care related industries.
- Partnering with the Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling at Rutgers University on our Health Matters Poll, a periodic survey which measures New Jerseyans' views.

OUR WORK

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QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

The Quality Institute was an early advocate for health care price and quality transparency. We knew data in the hands of payers, providers, and patients would work to move the needle on quality and patient safety and that continues to drive our projects and initiatives.

We improve health care quality by:

- Serving as the Regional Leader for The Leapfrog Group, a national coalition that advocates for improved transparency, quality, and safety in hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers.
- Shaping national quality measures through leadership roles at the National Quality Forum (NQF), a national nonpartisan, membership-based nonprofit. Our President and CEO Linda Schwimmer serves on the Board and as the Chair of the Consensus Standards Approval Committee.
- Participating in the Network for Regional Health Improvement (NRHI), a network of multi-stakeholder collaboratives dedicated to the Triple Aim.



COMMUNITY HEALTH

We are proud to work with local leaders serving the people of New Jersey to bring needed resources into the community to improve the overall health and well being of our state.

We work with local leaders to improve the health of their communities by:

- Providing evidence-based tools and no to low-cost strategies through the Mayors Wellness Campaign.
- Partnering with mayors and community partners through the Conversation of Your Life (COYL) program, which encourages a community conversation around end-of-life care planning in a culturally sensitive and accessible way.

LIST OF QUALITY INSTITUTE MEMBERS BY COUNCIL

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LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Dialyze Direct
Eagleton Center for Public Interest
Polling at Rutgers University
Horizon BlueCross BlueShield of NJ
Medical Society of New Jersey
NJ Innovation Institute
NJM Insurance Company
NJ State Chamber of Commerce
NJ State League of Municipalities
NJ State Nurses Association
Planned Parenthood of Northern, Central
& Southern NJ
RWJBarnabas Health
VITAS Innovative Hospice Care

ACO COUNCIL

Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers
Healthy Greater Newark ACO
Partners in Care
Trenton Health Team

ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

American Physical Therapy Association of NJ
BioNJ
Employers Association of New Jersey
Health Care Association of New Jersey
Hospital Alliance of New Jersey
New Jersey Academy of Family Physicians
New Jersey Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics
New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses
NJ Association of Community Providers
NJ Association of Health Plans
NJ Association of Health Underwriters
NJ Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies
NJ Association of Nurse Anesthetists
NJ Business & Industry Association
NJ Education Association
NJ Family Planning League
State and Local Government Benefits Association

CONSUMER COUNCIL

AARP of New Jersey
American Cancer Society
American Heart Association
Housing and Community Development Network of NJ
March of Dimes
Medina Community Clinic
Mental Health Association in NJ
NJ YMCA State Alliance
Partnership for a Drug-Free NJ
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
The Burke Foundation
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EDUCATION COUNCIL

Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
Rutgers University School of Nursing

PLAN COUNCIL

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AmeriHealth Caritas
AmeriHealth New Jersey
UnitedHealth Employer and Individual WellCare

PROFESSIONAL & TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

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Brach Eichler
EMET Realty
Fox Rothschild LLP
Health Management Associates
MD Advantage
PatientPing
Rubicon MD
Teladoc
Venn Health Partners

PROVIDER COUNCIL

AtlantiCare Health Solutions
Cancer Treatment Centers of America
Capital Health Systems
CarePlus NJ
Carrier Clinic
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton

PROVIDER COUNCIL (CONTINUED)

CityLife Neighborhood Clinics
Cooper University Hospital
DaVita
EastersealsNJ
Hackensack Meridian Health JFK Medical Center
Hackensack University Medical Center
Henry J. Austin Health Center, Inc
Holy Name Medical Center
Hunterdon Healthcare
Inspira Health Network
Jefferson Health
Morristown Medical Center - Atlantic Health
Nurse-Family Partnership
Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center
Penn Medicine Princeton Health
Regional Cancer Care Associates LLC
Riverside Medical Group
Rutgers Behavioral Health Care
Saint Clare's Health System
St. Francis Medical Center
St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center
Saint Peter's Healthcare System
Salem Medical Center
Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice
Summit Medical Group
Trinitas Regional Medical Center
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