



NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE QUALITY INSTITUTE

A BI-WEEKLY LOOK AT THE BUSINESS & POLITICS OF HEALTH CARE IN NEW JERSEY



PRESIDENT & CEO, LINDA SCHWIMMER **Top Health Care Issues for New Jersey in 2020**

As we move into the first year of a new decade, we want to highlight some pressing issues in health care, especially areas where the Quality Institute, together with our members, can make a real impact.

Supporting Healthy Aging:

As a state, we aren't getting any younger. In 2010, people over the age of sixty represented nineteen percent of the state's population. The figure is expected to rise to twenty-five point six percent by 2030. Yet, nationally, we are unprepared. Most of us want to stay at home as we get older. We want to remain connected to our communities. We hope our minds and bodies will remain healthy. What is our plan for this aging population? Through our [Mayors Wellness Campaign](#) (MWC), in partnership with the [New Jersey League of Municipalities](#), and our [COYL](#) (Conversation of Your Life) initiative, which is funded in part by [The Horizon Foundation for New Jersey](#), we are working with mayors to help communities be better places to live, work, and age in place — and to have those important conversations about advance care planning...

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TAKE FIVE INTERVIEW

Interviews with members, influencers, and noteworthy people

[Judith M. Persichilli](#), R.N., B.S.N., M.A., is the New Jersey Commissioner of Health. She was a founding member of the Quality Institute.

Interview Sneak Peek: *How do you see your work with the Quality Institute informing your work now as commissioner?*

I was involved with the Quality Institute from its founding and it has taught me so much about creative and innovative thinking, and what direction we should be moving to enhance the quality of the care that's delivered in New Jersey...Here's an example: I was the board representative on the Medicaid 2.0 (now the [Medicaid Policy Center](#)) project. And it really showed how innovative thought and payment reform could inform improvements in the care we deliver. That's an important aspect of the work that the Quality Institute does.

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NEW MEMBER



[Garden State Pharmacy Owners](#)

Dedicated to promoting the success of the Independent Community Pharmacy in the State of New Jersey, Garden State Pharmacy Owners is also committed to providing business solutions and offerings to their members for the purpose of ensuring independent pharmacy success now and in the future.



MEDICAID POLICY CENTER

Quality Institute member, **Hackensack Meridian Health**, in partnership with the **Visiting Nurses Association**, the New Jersey Medicaid Program, and the Quality Institute, recently **received a \$15.8 million award from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)** to implement a new payment model to improve care for pediatric patients with complex medical conditions.

The award will be distributed over seven years to establish the **New Jersey Integrated Care for Kids (InCK) Model** that will test an Alternative Payment Model (APM) for the Medicaid program supporting multi-sectoral integrated case management and pediatric practice capacity-building in Monmouth and Ocean Counties. The Medicaid Policy Center and the Quality Institute are very excited to work with our member organizations and the New Jersey Medicaid Program to implement this new payment model and to make a difference in children's lives.

The Quality Institute's Medicaid work is supported by The Nicholson Foundation.

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WEBINAR

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This webinar is perfect for new members, as well as those who wish to update their knowledge of the Quality Institute and our work, and is open to the public.

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Now!**



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