



NEW JERSEY
HEALTH CARE
**QUALITY
INSTITUTE**

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





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

The New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute's mission is to improve the safety, quality, and affordability of health care for everyone. Our membership comes from all stakeholders in health care. Together with our 100 plus members, we are working towards a world where all people receive safe, equitable, and affordable health care, and live their healthiest lives.

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A TRUSTED VOICE IN HEALTH CARE QUALITY



ELIZABETH CHEROT, MBA, MD, FACOG,
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, AXIA WOMEN'S HEALTH

“Axia Women’s Health came to the Quality Institute because of the innovative work being done to improve education and access to reproductive health services and to prepare pregnant people for the impact of COVID-19 on their care. We are invested in our membership through this great work and the connections we’ve made to industry experts and policymakers across the state.”



JULIE MASCARI, MHA

REGIONAL PRESIDENT FOR THE NORTHEAST, HUMANA

“Humana joined the Quality Institute’s multi-stakeholder membership because of their proven track record of tackling challenging policy issues to improve the safety, quality, and affordability of health care for everyone. As we expand our presence in New Jersey, we decided to join the Quality Institute because its mission and work closely aligns with Humana’s commitment to helping our older adult members live their best lives.”

Humana



ROBERTO MUÑOZ, MPA
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF PARKER HEALTH GROUP

“At Parker, we believe that age is much more than just a number. Our mission is to discover ways to make aging manageable, relatable, and enriching for all of society. We chose to partner with the Quality Institute to help achieve this mission because of the wide array of community health programs they offer members that focus on the entire lifespan of our elders, and supporting them to live their best lives.”



MEMBER BENEFITS



Gain Exposure to Our Audience of Health Care Leaders and Policymakers

- ✓ Participate in member-only networking [events](#)
- ✓ Be a featured speaker at our conferences
- ✓ Be interviewed for our bi-weekly [newsletter](#)



Receive Quality Improvement Assistance

- ✓ Get support for submission to The Leapfrog Group's Hospital and Ambulatory Surgery Center surveys
- ✓ Benefit from Member workshops on best practices and regular quality briefings

MEMBER BENEFITS



Participate in Policy Development That Makes a Difference:

- ✓ Join one of our multi-stakeholder work groups to develop and inform public policy recommendations and action steps



Gain Access to Our Expert Staff

- ✓ Have a dedicated Quality Institute [staff ambassador](#) assigned to meet your membership needs
- ✓ Members get priority access to our [speakers' bureau](#) for your events
- ✓ Reach out to Quality Institute staff for strategic expert advice



Ask us how you can receive even more benefits by becoming a part of our Leadership Council. This close-knit group has a strong working relationship with our board and staff and helps to inform the direction of our policy work.

OUR WORK

The Quality Institute is a recognized thought leader, educator, translator, and convener for health policy and improvement in New Jersey, as well as regionally and nationally.



POLICY

Our unique multi-stakeholder approach is key to making sure that every voice in health care is represented when developing health care policy. We bring consensus-based solutions to policymakers. We take on topics covering the full life span from maternity care, primary care, reproductive health, to healthy aging and advance care planning.



Medicaid Policy Center (MPC) - MPC is a permanent program at the Quality Institute, with a particular focus on Medicaid and under-served populations, we research, analyze, and move forward policy change ideas and best-evidence solutions to advance equitable health outcomes.



INTEGRATED CARE FOR KIDS (INCK)

New Jersey Integrated Care for Kids (NJ InCK) - NJ InCK is a federally funded NJ FamilyCare (Medicaid) pilot through the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation Center. It supports children and families who have increased health complexity, including high medical needs plus significant behavioral and social needs. We are working with two of our members in this work Hackensack Meridian Health, VNA of Central NJ, and the State of New Jersey.

Emerging from COVID-19: An Action Plan for a Healthier State (Action Plan) - The COVID-19 pandemic pushed us to be more resourceful, resilient, and collaborative — and presents a collective challenge to us to emerge with a stronger and more equitable health system and society. With our members, in partnership with BioNJ, we created the Action Plan. Our work continues to implement the Action Plan in partnership with

OUR WORK

For 25 years our work has driven improvements in health outcomes and wellness through policy, education, quality improvement, and community health.

patient and community advocates, clinicians and health care facility leaders, insurers, biopharmaceutical experts as well as public health and government officials.

New Jersey Reproductive Health *Access* Project

[New Jersey Reproductive Health Access Project \(NJ-RHAP\)](#) – NJ-RHAP is a statewide initiative which empowers New Jersey patients, their clinicians, and payers, to identify the reproductive health services that are best for themselves and their families, as well as to expand access to the full range of contraceptive options available. In partnership with our members, we are working to analyze and improve state laws, regulations, and contracts while increasing clinicians' understanding of key policies that impact service delivery for reproductive health services, specifically contraceptive care.



EDUCATION

We know that improving the health care system requires the commitment of dedicated health care workers who need support and continuing education.

[Webinars and Conferences](#) – Join our regular webinars and conferences to hear from expert speakers on health care hot topics.

[Resources](#) – The Quality Institute, our members, and partner organizations produce resources and tools through grant funded and project-based initiatives that are made available to the public to ignite conversation and promote health care quality improvement efforts. Search through our resource database to find archived and current materials that include past event slide decks, tool kits, FAQs, research papers, and recommendations.

OUR WORK

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WORK, PLEASE VISIT [BIT.LY/OURWORKQI](https://bit.ly/ourworkqi)



QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

As an early advocate for health care price and quality transparency we know that data in the hands of payers, providers, and patients works to move the needle on quality and patient safety that drives our quality improvement work.



[The Leapfrog Group](#) - We serve 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.



NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM

[National Quality Forum \(NQF\)](#) - We shape national quality measures through leadership roles at NQF, a national nonpartisan, membership-based nonprofit.

OUR WORK

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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 wellbeing of our state.



MAYORS WELLNESS CAMPAIGN[®]

*Celebrating **15** Years*

Mayors Wellness Campaign (MWC) – The MWC is a statewide community health initiative in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities. The MWC provides evidence-based tools and strategies for mayors and community leaders to help their residents achieve more active healthier lifestyles. Over 400 of the state's municipalities have joined the MWC to improve the health and wellness of their communities through physical health and nutrition, environment, education, and the arts.



Conversation of Your Life (COYL) – COYL is a community-based education program to increase awareness of advance care planning and to destigmatize the topic. Events are held virtually and in community settings where people already gather such as libraries, senior centers, and places of worship. The sessions may include book discussions, movie screenings, game nights, art projects, or panel discussions to make people feel comfortable and provide them with the information and tools they need to take the next steps in advance care planning. COYL is a statewide program run with over 500 volunteers.

LIST OF QUALITY INSTITUTE MEMBERS BY COUNCIL

The Quality Institute is made up of more than 100 unique member organizations representing every segment of the health care system in New Jersey.

Leadership Council

Eagleton Center for Public Interest
Polling at Rutgers University
Horizon BlueCross BlueShield of
NJ
Medical Society of New Jersey
New Jersey Department of the
Treasury
NJM Insurance Company
NJ State Chamber of Commerce
NJ State League of Municipalities
NJ State Nurses Association
Parker Health Group
Planned Parenthood of Northern,
Central & Southern NJ
RWJBarnabas Health*

ACO Council

Alidade
Camden Coalition of Healthcare
Providers
Greater Newark Health Care
Coalition
Health Coalition of Passaic County
Partnership Health Centers, LLC
Trenton Health Team

Association Council

American Physical Therapy
Association of NJ
Garden State Pharmacy Owners
Health Care Association of New
Jersey
Hospital Alliance of New Jersey
New Jersey Academy of Family
Physicians
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 Dental Association
NJ Doctor-Patient Alliance
NJ Education Association
NJ Family Planning League
Partnership for Maternal
and Child Health
State and Local Government Benefits
Association

Consumer Council

AARP of New Jersey
American Cancer Society
American Heart Association
Goals of Care Coalition of NJ
Housing and Community
Development Network of NJ
KinderSmile Foundation
March of Dimes
Medina Community Clinic
Mental Health Association in NJ
New Jersey Immunization Network
New Jersey Public Health Association
NJ YMCA State Alliance
North Jersey Health Collaborative
Partnership for a Drug-Free NJ
Parker Family Health Center
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
The Burke Foundation
The Nicholson Foundation
Shatterproof

Education Council

Hackensack Meridian School of
Medicine
Rutgers Center for State Health
Policy
Rutgers Ernest Mario School of
Pharmacy
Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson
Medical School
Rutgers University School of Nursing
St. George's University

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AmeriGroup
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AmeriHealth New Jersey
Clover Health
Humana
UnitedHealth Employer & Individual
WellCare

Professional & Technology Council

Aunt Bertha
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Cooper Surgical
Family Health Initiatives
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Provider Council System Level*

Atlantic Health System*
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Provider Council

AtlantiCare Health Solutions
Axia Women's Health
Bergen New Bridge Medical Center
Capital Health Medical Center -
Hopewell
CarePlus NJ
Catholic Charities, Diocese of
Trenton
CentraState Medical Center
Cooper University Hospital
DaVita

Englewood Health
Hackensack Meridian Carrier Clinic
HealthySteps
Henry J. Austin Health Center, Inc
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Legacy Treatment Services
Lifeline Medical Associates
Nurse-Family Partnership
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Regional Cancer Care Associates
LLC
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Salem Medical Center
Samaritan Life-Enhancing Care
Summit Medical Group
Trinitas Regional Medical Center
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Wellness Council

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Cannabis Education and Research
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Pfizer
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**System Level members include multiple hospitals and other facilities*

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