



NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE **QUALITY INSTITUTE**

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



PRESIDENT & CEO, LINDA SCHWIMMER

Rallying Support for ASCs to Participate in Leapfrog

In the coming weeks, we'll be reaching out to insurers and large employer purchasers of health care in New Jersey asking them to join our call for transparency among Ambulatory Surgery Centers, or ASCs. In New Jersey, 100 percent of acute care hospitals participate in the Leapfrog Hospital Survey. Their commitment to transparency around safety and quality improves care and saves lives.

But only a handful of ASCs in New Jersey participate in the survey. We want 2023 to be the year that changes.

We're asking insurers and large employers to help us by contacting the ASCs in their network and outlining why they should participate in the Leapfrog ASC Survey. ASCs that report to Leapfrog demonstrate their value and commitment to quality health care. Patients and caregivers use the survey when deciding where to go for treatment. And payers can use the survey to compare quality as they build their networks....

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ANDREW S WEISS, CASC,
ADMINISTRATOR OF SUMMIT SURGICAL CENTER,
LEAPFROG GROUP ASC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TAKE FIVE INTERVIEW

Interviews with members, influencers, and noteworthy people

Andrew S. Weiss, CASC, Administrator of Summit Surgical Center and a member of the Leapfrog Group ASC Advisory Committee.

Interview Sneak Peek: *Summit Surgical Center is one of the first Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs) to participate in The Leapfrog ASC Survey. Why did you choose to participate?*

We recognize the quality and value of the care that ASCs provide to patients. We've lacked the measurement tool to benchmark this and to provide transparency to stakeholders and patients. Leapfrog fit the bill for us. I've had the opportunity to meet with health care purchasers, and they conclude that ASC's provide great value to their members. But they want to demonstrate that through an impartial source...I spoke to a payer in Delaware who said he wishes more ASCs in his area would participate in the Leapfrog ASC Survey so they could help him tell the story of their value to members.

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In 2022, we brought together our members and trusted partners and made a significant impact on health care in New Jersey and beyond. We celebrated our 25th anniversary and are humbled that so many of you have been working with us since the Quality Institute's inception. Our members propel our work, and we are proud of what we've accomplished together. We look forward to another 25 years of working with you to improve the safety, quality, and affordability of health care for everyone.

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MATERNAL INFANT HEALTH HUB Midwifery Collaborative



Join the **Maternal Infant Health Hub's next Midwifery Collaborative** on **Thursday, March 9th from 1-2 pm**. This virtual convening for midwives, midwifery students, and health care stakeholders will focus on exploring perceptions of midwifery through guided conversation about participants' own experience and work environments, as well as discussion on future opportunities to build awareness of midwifery with targeted audiences and the general public.

Register for the Collaborative session to be a part of sustained dialogue around supporting full midwifery integration, sharing success stories, and analyzing policy challenges.

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MEMBER BREAKFAST & ENGAGEMENT EVENT

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Join the Quality Institute for our Member Engagement Event in Northern New Jersey on **March 30, from 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.** at the Hackensack Meridian Center for Discovery and Innovation (CDI), 111 Ideation Way, Nutley, NJ.

Network with other Quality Institute members over breakfast. Meet local leaders and health care decision makers. Get updates on health policy, quality improvement, and community health from Quality Institute staff. Learn about an innovative partnership in tech-driven patient safety from [Hackensack Meridian Health](#) and [Quest Diagnostics](#).

Register today. This event is for members and invited guests only.

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QUALITY INSTITUTE ALL-COUNCIL CONFERENCE May 17th at 2:30 pm

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Mark your calendars for our **All Council Conference Wednesday, May 17, from 2:30 – 6:00 p.m.**. Join us for an engaging afternoon followed by a networking reception. This is a member and invited guests only event.

More details and registration coming soon.

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