



# NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE QUALITY INSTITUTE

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



## **PRESIDENT & CEO, LINDA SCHWIMMER** **Three Leaders Join Quality Institute Board of Directors**

I'm pleased to announce that three impressive health leaders have joined our Board of Directors, each well-known and respected throughout the state and committed to the Quality Institute's mission to improve health care safety, quality, and affordability for everyone. These leaders have worked with the Quality Institute providing expertise on issues such as payment models, social determinants and health equity, public health, and quality. We shared the news in a [press release](#) distributed to media today.

First, I am introducing you to Ashish D. Parikh, M.D., [Chief Population Health Officer, VillageMD-Summit Health](#). Dr. Parikh helps shape population health strategies and has extensive experience in alternative payment models and care coordination...

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# MEET OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS



**John Leyman**

Director, State Government  
Affairs, DaVita



**Andrea Martinez-  
Mejia, MPA, MA**

Exec. Dir., Greater  
Newark Health Care  
Coalition



**Ashish Parikh, MD**

Chief Population Health  
Officer, VillageMD-  
Summit Health

»» *Welcome* »»

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**JAKE MCDONALD**

SENIOR STATE POLICY ADVOCACY SPECIALIST,  
PHI



## TAKE FIVE INTERVIEW

### Interviews with members, influencers, and noteworthy people

Jake McDonald, Senior State Policy Advocacy Specialist at PHI. [PHI](#) is a national organization that works to ensure quality care for older adults and people with disabilities by supporting the creation of quality jobs for direct care workers.

**Interview Sneak Peek:** *In New Jersey, PHI, the Quality Institute, and New Jersey Advocates for Aging Well are funded by the Henry and Marilyn Taub Foundation to co-lead the [Essential Jobs, Essential Care New Jersey Coalition](#). What are the goals of the coalition?*

Our goal is to strengthen the direct care workforce through policy interventions. We want to make sure that home health aides, nursing assistants, and direct support professionals — the people who care for us and our families — have [high quality jobs](#). We want to be able to recruit and retain the workers we need for an aging New Jersey and for those with disabilities...

[Read Full Interview](#)

# HEALTH CARE ISSUES AT THE BALLOT BOX

## QUALITY INSTITUTE SPRING ALL-COUNCIL CONFERENCE

May 14, 2024 3:00 - 6:00 P.M. | In-Person Event

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## Keynote Speakers



**Christopher Whaley, PhD,**  
Associate Professor, Department of  
Health Services, Policy, and Practice,  
Brown University School of Public Health



**Anand Parekh, MD, MPH,**  
Chief Medical Advisor,  
Bipartisan Policy Center

## Moderated By



**Benjamin Dworkin, PhD**  
Director, Rowan Institute for Public  
Policy & Citizenship

Register today: <https://njhcqi.info/SprConf2024>

For members and invited guests. Questions? Contact: [VTesser@njhcqi.org](mailto:VTesser@njhcqi.org)



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# MATERNITY ACTION PLAN Work Session Wednesday, April 24, 2024



Join us for the second virtual [Maternity Action Plan \(MAP\)](#) work session of 2024, *Collecting and Using REaL (Race, Ethnicity, & Language) Data to Improve Health Equity & Quality*, on **April 24 from 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.**

This event will feature:

- DeAnna Minus-Vincent, MPA, Managing Director, [The Outcomes Architect](#);
- Tracy Parris-Benjamin, LMSW, FHELA, Managing Director, [The Outcomes Architect](#); and
- Kathryn Burggraf Stewart, MPH, Director, Health Care Ratings, [The Leapfrog Group](#).

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### Expert Co-Facilitators



**DeAnna  
Minus-Vincent,  
MPA**

*Managing Director, The  
Outcomes Architect*



**Tracy  
Parris-Benjamin,  
LMSW, FHELA**

*Managing Director, The  
Outcomes Architect*



**Kathryn  
Burggraf  
Stewart, MPH**

*Director, Health Care  
Ratings, The Leapfrog  
Group*

Thursday, April 25, 10 am-1 pm

## Maternal Infant Health Hub's Midwifery Convening



### Speaker

**Magda  
Schaler-Haynes, JD,  
MPH**

*Professor of Health Policy  
and Management, Columbia  
University's Mailman School  
of Public Health*

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## In Case You Missed It

Our President and CEO, [Linda Schwimmer](#), and Director of Quality, [Adelisa Perez-Hudgins](#), call on Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASCs) in New Jersey to report on the free Leapfrog Group ASC Survey in a [NEW NJ Spotlight News](#) Op-Ed. Transparently reporting on the safety and quality of these facilities will give consumers greater access to public information when choosing a site for care.

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- **Content** that is **unique** to our LinkedIn page

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## NEW MEMBER



### HEALTHCONNECT ONE

[HealthConnect One](#) is the national leader in advancing equitable, community-based, peer-to-peer support for pregnancy, birth, breastfeeding, and early parenting. Our vision is to see every baby, mother, and family thrive in a healthy community. We work to achieve this vision through an equity-focused approach supporting the first 1000 days for birthing families. We are focused on training, connecting, and mobilizing to one day see every mother and child thrive.



For information on how to join, please contact Virginia Tesser at [vtesser@njhcqi.org](mailto:vtesser@njhcqi.org).

To learn more about our current initiatives, please visit our website at [www.njhcqi.org](http://www.njhcqi.org).  
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