



NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE QUALITY INSTITUTE

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



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Polling Results, Keynotes on Top Health Care Issues for Voters, and More

The Quality Institute's spring All-Council conference is the place to be next week. Our multi-stakeholder membership will be gathering to learn from national experts and network with one another.

This year's conference focuses on health care issues and the views of voters, an especially timely topic with congressional, senate, and presidential elections ahead — and a gubernatorial election next year. As a nonpartisan organization that works with all leaders who want to advance health care safety, quality, and affordability, we seek to understand the opinions of New Jersey voters on important issues related to health care...

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CHRIS WHALEY, PHD,

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TAKE FIVE INTERVIEW

Interviews with members, influencers, and noteworthy people

[Christopher Whaley, Ph.D.](#), Associate Director of the Center for Advancing Health Policy through Research, Associate Professor of Health Services, Policy and Practice at Brown University. Professor Whaley is one of the keynote speakers at the Quality Institute's May 14 Spring Conference on Key Health Care Issues for NJ Voters at the Ballot Box.

Interview Sneak Peek: *Your research as a health economist focuses on health care price transparency and market structure, including your work at the RAND corporation, where you focused on hospital price transparency. Why should states and other larger employers or purchasers participate in transparency projects like the [Hospital Price Transparency Study](#)?*

It's important to participate and learn about prices, including through the efforts that I've led through the [Employer Price Transparency Project](#). How we finance health care in the United States through employer-sponsored health insurance is essentially taking money from worker wages and using that to pay for health care benefits. As the agent guiding those purchases, employers have both a legal fiduciary and, I think, a moral obligation to make sure that those purchases are being done wisely and in the interest of their employee populations. Without accurate information on prices, I don't think employers can fulfill that fiduciary obligation...

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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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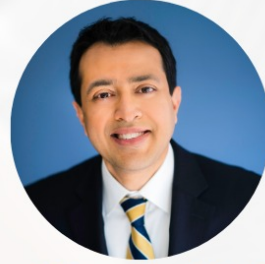


Keynote Sneakers



Christopher Whaley, PhD,

Associate Professor, **Department of Health Services, Policy, and Practice,**
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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



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New Report released from the Quality Institute and The Burke Foundation

[Approaches for Modernizing the Midwifery Profession in New Jersey, authored by Magda Schaler-Haynes, JD, MPH](#)

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Mayors Wellness Campaign: Impact Report on MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

The Quality Institute's Community Wellness Staff, who run the [Mayors Wellness Campaign](#), provide Mental Health First Aid training throughout New Jersey. Since 2021, they have trained over 180 individuals in all 21 counties. Check out [our report](#), *The Impact of Mental Health First Aid*, which highlights these efforts and provides first hand insights from our trainees.



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MATERNITY ACTION PLAN

Virtual **Work Session** on
MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH

THURSDAY, JUNE 6
12 to 2 p.m.

#MAP4NJ

A circular inset image showing a woman with curly hair holding a baby in her arms. The background of the banner is dark blue with green geometric patterns.

Please join the [Quality Institute](#) for this virtual work session focusing on maternal mental health information and resources beneficial to your community, clients, or patients on **Thursday, June 6, 2024, from 12-2:00 p.m.**

The session will feature Jaime Angelini, MA, DRCC, AMTP, Statewide Director of Suicide Prevention, Crisis Response, and Special Projects, [Mental Health Association in NJ](#) (MHANJ), Carolyn Flynn, LPC, CD, IMH-E®, Director, Infant and Early Childhood Relational Health, [The Center for Great Expectations](#) and [Armonie Pierre-Jacques](#), MPH, Program Officer, [New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute](#).

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