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survey -> <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WAHQ-2014-Spring-Conference>.

**Your feedback is very important to us!** If you attended this year's WAHQ Spring Conference "**The Changing Landscape of Healthcare Quality**" haven't yet completed your evaluation, please help us by clicking on the following survey link to complete the

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Apply for the 2014 CAREER DEVELOPMENT GRANT by **Wednesday, April 30, 2014.**

[http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14\\_Career\\_Dev\\_App.pdf](http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14_Career_Dev_App.pdf)

Apply for the JANET A. BROWN NEW QUALITY PROFESSIONAL GRANT by **Wednesday, April 30, 2014.** [http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14\\_New\\_QP\\_Grant.pdf](http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14_New_QP_Grant.pdf)



**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**  
[www.NAHQ.org/conference14](http://www.NAHQ.org/conference14)

# NATIONAL HEALTHCARE QUALITY WEEK: QUALITY ACROSS THE CONTINUUM

<http://www.nahq.org/membership/content/celebratehealthweek.html>

October 19–25, 2014



## Wisconsin Association of Healthcare Quality

- **Time to re-up! If you haven't already done so, renew your WAHQ membership for 2014.** <http://www.wahq.org/docs/WAHQMembershipApplication.pdf>
- Events <http://www.wahq.org/eduoff.asp>
  - *No upcoming events to report at this time but watch this space – planning for next year's conference is already underway.*
- Watch for next edition of “**News & Views**” coming soon! <http://www.wahq.org/news.asp>
- Job Offerings <http://wahq.org/jobs.asp>
  - **Virtual Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (VPS) Clinical Data Collector/Abstractor - Healthcare Quality Improvement (HQI) Partners**
- Contacts for WAHQ <http://www.wahq.org/board.asp>



## National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ)

- Events <http://www.nahq.org/education/events/calendar.html>
  - **NAHQ's 39th Annual Educational Conference: Quality in Harmony Across the Continuum, September 7–10, 2014**, Music City Convention Center, Omni Hotel and Resort, Nashville, TN
    - **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** Attend in-person or online through the virtual conference option. Visit [www.NAHQ.org/conference14](http://www.NAHQ.org/conference14) to learn more, book your hotel and register for conference today! Early bird conference rates end 8/4/2014. A special rate for the Omni Nashville Hotel is available through August 11 or until block is sold out.
  - **CPHQ Review Course, May 29 – 30, 2014**, Greenvale, NY **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**
  - **CPHQ Review Course, October 22 - 23, 2014**, Princeton, NJ **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

- **CPHQ Review Course, November 4-5, 2014, Richmond, VA REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**



## Healthcare Quality Foundation (HQF)

- Grants

Each year, the Healthcare Quality Foundation (HQF) team awards individual grants to deserving applicants. Use those funds to attend the NAHQ Annual Educational Conference and other NAHQ educational programs or to pay for Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) certification examination or review costs.

<http://www.nahq.org/hqf/content/individualgrants.htm>

**Career Development Grant** The HQF Career Development Grant is awarded to a NAHQ member who has been employed in the healthcare quality field for at least 5 years and holds CPHQ certification. The grant is valued at \$1,000, which can be used for travel and registration expenses for attendance at either a NAHQ CPHQ Review Course or the annual educational conference. One grant will be awarded annually. **Apply for the 2014 Career Development Grant by Wednesday, April 30, 2014.**

[http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14\\_Career\\_Dev\\_App.pdf](http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14_Career_Dev_App.pdf)

**Certification Grant** The HQF Certification Grant awards financial assistance to healthcare quality professionals who have not yet attained the CPHQ credential by sponsoring their examination fee. These grants are awarded twice year in January and July. 14 grants will be awarded in 2012: 7 in February and 7 in August. **Apply for the Certification Grant by July 31, 2014!**

[http://www.nahq.org/uploads/2014\\_Cert\\_Grant\\_Application\\_fillable.pdf](http://www.nahq.org/uploads/2014_Cert_Grant_Application_fillable.pdf)

**Leadership Development Grant** The NAHQ Past Presidents' Council sponsors the Leadership Development Grant, intended to further professional leadership development opportunities. A \$1,000 stipend is awarded in support of educational that enhances professional skills and nurtures leadership potential. The recipient will also receive mentoring from a NAHQ Board of Directors member or past president and complete a strategic project under the direction of the board. The applicant agrees to conduct a project under direction of the NAHQ Board of Directors. An example of a potential project might be completing an association award application on NAHQ's behalf or working with a board member to complete a project charter. A grantee could expect to spend about 15–25 hours annually, but this amount may be adjusted for changes in scope. One grant will be awarded annually. **Applications for 2014 grants are not yet available.**

**Janet A. Brown New Quality Professional Grant** The HQF New Quality Professional Grant is awarded to a NAHQ member who has been employed in the healthcare quality field less than 2 years and is not yet a CPHQ.

The grant is valued at \$1,000, which can be used for travel and registration expenses for attendance at either a NAHQ CPHQ Review Course or the annual educational conference. One grant will be awarded annually. **Apply for the Janet A. Brown New Quality Professional Grant by Wednesday, April 30, 2014.** [http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14\\_New\\_QP\\_Grant.pdf](http://www.nahq.org/uploads/NAHQ14_New_QP_Grant.pdf)

### **Illinois Association for Healthcare Quality (IAHQ)**

• Events <http://www.iahq.net/education/index.html>

- **Annual Program - High Reliability in Healthcare: A Passionate Commitment to Excellence**, April 25, 2014, Eaglewood Resort and Spa in Itasca, IL.

### **Indiana Association for Healthcare Quality (InAHQ)**

• Events <http://www.inahq.com/presentations.html> *No upcoming events posted.*

### **Iowa Association for Healthcare Quality (IAHQ)**

• Events [http://www.iaonline.org/imis15/IHAOnline/Members\\_Groups/affiliate\\_groups/IAHQ.aspx](http://www.iaonline.org/imis15/IHAOnline/Members_Groups/affiliate_groups/IAHQ.aspx)

- **IAHQ Spring Conference**, April 8, 2014, Holiday Inn-Jordan Creek, West Des Moines, IA

### **Michigan Association for Healthcare Quality (MAHQ)** *No upcoming events posted.*

• Events <http://www.mahq.com/education/calendar-of-events>

### **Minnesota Healthcare Quality Professionals (MHQP)/HealthForce Minnesota**

• Events <http://www.mhqp.com/>

- **State of the State's Health**, April 17, 2014 11:30am - 12:30pm (*webinar*)

*Please feel free to contact me with questions, concerns and/or suggestions for improvement for WAHQ News Blast.*

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