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Subject: "Wisconsin Association for Healthcare Quality (WAHQ) News Blast - December 2013"

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WAHQ News Blast

IMPORTANT DATES

DON'T FORGET—CPHQ RECERTIFICATION!

The Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) recertification deadline is just 2 weeks away. If you obtained your certification in 2011 or recertified before January 1, 2011, **you are due to recertify by December 31, 2013**. There are two ways to recertify: online or by mail. Visit www.CPHQ.org for complete details about recertifying your CPHQ credential.

WAHQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE

March 7, 2014

Glacier Canyon Conference Center at the Wilderness, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin (more information will be available soon)

CALL FOR STORYBOARDS!

This is a great opportunity to share your successes and lessons learned with your professional peers
AND

A great networking opportunity to gather information for the community standard practice and best practice. If you are interested, a storyboard that demonstrates a progressive topic highlighting Healthcare Quality = **1 free WAHQ membership for each storyboard accepted for the conference**

Storyboard submission deadline: Due by Monday, February 5th, 2014

Please contact Sheri Krueger Dix with any questions at email sdix@froedterthealth.org or phone 414-805-2801.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

The Wisconsin Association of Healthcare Quality is looking for nominees for the following positions:

- President Elect
- Secretary
- Southwest Representative
- North central Representative
- Southeast Representative

More information on the positions can be found on the WAHQ web page at www.wahq.org or you may contact Lisa K. Rowe-Peplinski directly (email rowlis@rhahealthcare.org or phone 715-422-9251) with questions or if you would like to

nominate yourself or another WAHQ member by January 17, 2014.

HQF CERTIFICATION GRANT

Apply for the Certification Grant by Friday, January 31, 2014.

http://www.nahq.org/uploads/2014_Cert_Grant_Application_fillable.pdf

(see below for more information)



Wisconsin Association of Healthcare Quality

Check out the FALL 2013 WAHQ “News & Views”!

<http://www.wahq.org/docs/Newsletters/NewsFall2013.pdf>

- Pg 5 **Membership Application**
- Events <http://www.wahq.org/eduoff.asp>

WAHQ Annual Conference - March 7, 2014, Glacier Canyon Conference Center at the Wilderness, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin (*more information coming soon*)

- Job Offerings <http://wahq.org/jobs.asp> (There are currently no postings but check the site often!)
- Contacts for WAHQ <http://www.wahq.org/board.asp>



- Regional Representatives:
 - North Central - Val Freundl freval@rhahealthcare.com
 - Northeast – Carol Durocher carol.durocher@aurora.org
 - Northwest – Anna Green agreen@milebluff.com
 - South Central – Conni Brandt cbrandt@metastar.com
 - Southeast – Therese (Tracy) Dodd tdodd@chw.org
 - Southwest – Paul Frigoli paulfrigoli@gmail.com



National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ)

- Events <http://www.nahq.org/education/events/calendar.html>

2014

- **Introduction to Healthcare Quality, January 13, 2014, 8am - 5pm**, The California Endowment Center for Healthy Communities, Los Angeles, CA [REGISTER NOW](#)
- **NAHQ's 39th Annual Educational Conference, September 7–10, 2014**, Music City Convention Center, Omni Hotel and Resort, Nashville, TN

Healthcare Quality Foundation (HQF)

• Grants

Each May, the Healthcare Quality Foundation (HQF) team awards up to 15 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. **Stay tuned for 2014 grant opportunities!**

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

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. **2014 Career Development Grant applications will be available Spring 2014.**

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 Friday, January 31, 2014.**

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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. **2014 Janet A. Brown New Quality Professional Grant applications will be available Spring 2014.**

Illinois Association for Healthcare Quality (IAHQ)

- Events <http://www.iahq.net/education/index.html> *No upcoming events posted.*

Indiana Association for Healthcare Quality (InAHQ)

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

Iowa Association for Healthcare Quality (IAHQ) *No upcoming events posted.*

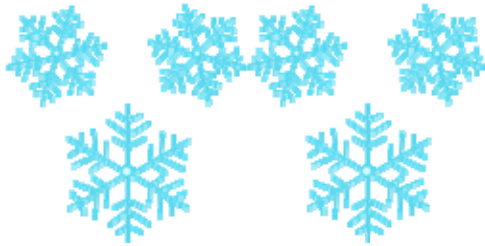
- Events <http://www.iaahq.org/IAHQ/Events.aspx>

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

- Events <http://www.mahq.com/>

Minnesota Healthcare Quality Professionals (MHQP)/HealthForce Minnesota

- Events <http://www.mhqp.com/> *No upcoming events posted.*



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

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