Best wishes for a healthy and very happy 2016 from the Wisconsin Association for Healthcare Quality Board of Directors!



This email is sent to all WAHQ membership. Please navigate to http://www.wahq.org/news.asp for archive of "News & Views" and News Blast

If you know someone who might like to become a member or if you are a current member and there has been a change to your information, please complete the form found at pplication.pdf> and return it to: Gloria Field, 3740 River Drive, Plover Point, WI 54467.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS! WAHQ's volunteer leaders guide the association and plan for tomorrow. Consider joining our volunteer group and help ensure WAHQ's continued success. Learn about WAHQ teams or sign up for a volunteer position today by contacting Paul Frigoli at paulfrigoli@gmail.com. No matter your expertise level, WAHQ has an opportunity for you!

GIVE YOURSELF SOME CREDIT - LET WAHQ KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING!

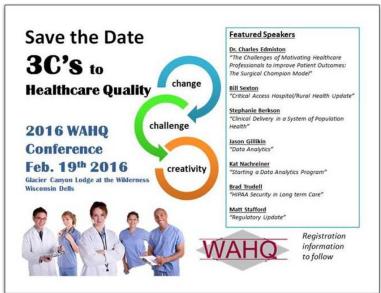
In promoting the excellence of our WAHQ membership we encourage members to share their quality knowledge and success stories with others both within our State and Nationally. Many of you have done this and we would like to start a database on your presentations. Please email Carol Durocher mailto:carol.durocher@aurora.org with your accomplishments. Title your email "WAHQ Presentation" and include the following information in your email.

- 1. Date
- Type of
 Presentation(Speaker, Published Article)
- Your Name
 WAHQ / NAHQ Member: (state which one or both)
- Title of Work

IMPORTANT DATES:

SAVE THE DATE!

WAHQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE



http://www.wahq.org/eduoff.asp

February 19, 2016 Glacier Canyon Lodge - Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells

Call for Storyboards - receive 1 free WAHQ membership for each storyboard accepted for the conference!

http://www.wahq.org/docs/StoryBoardSummary-blank.doc

Call for Vendors - contact Matt Wahoske for more information <matt.wahoske@deancare.com>

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NATIONAL QUALITY SUMMIT ON POPULATION HEALTH

http://www.nahq.org/education/Quality-Summit/qualitysummit.html

May 11 - 12, 2016

Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX

Register for the live event prior to March 14, 2016 to receive early bird rates -> http://www.nahq.org/education/Quality-Summit/summit-registration.html

MORE NEWS:



Wisconsin Association of Healthcare Quality

ARE YOU A FAN OF SOCIAL MEDIA? Visit us on Facebook and LinkedIn – buttons have been added to the WAHQ home page for your convenience. http://www.wahq.org/index.asp

- Check out the <u>FALL 2015 NEWSLETTER</u> as well past News Blasts and Newsletters archived at "News & Views"! http://www.wahq.org/news.asp
- Events http://www.wahq.org/eduoff.asp

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Grants http://www.wahq.org/grants.asp

New CPHQ Reimbursement Are you a new CPHQ in the last year? Contact Tim Kamps (tk.kamps@gmail.com) for more information on this grant opportunity.

The Virginia Wyss Memorial Career Development Grant. Applications are accepted

ongoing at this time. The applicant should actively contribute to the healthcare quality profession at the national and/or state level. This \$1,000 grant provides financial assistance to 2 (two) WAHQ member to apply towards travel expenses and/or registration fees for:

- The WAHQ Annual Spring Conference
 - The NAHQ Annual Conference
- WAHQ-sponsored CPHQ Review Course
- Ongoing educational courses, the content of which is related to the CPHQ Content Outline.

WAHQ Educational Grant Applications are accepted ongoing at this time. The applicant should actively contribute to the healthcare quality profession at the national and/or state level. This \$250 grant provides financial assistance to a maximum of 2 (two) WAHQ members to apply towards travel expenses and/or registration fees for:

- The WAHQ Annual Spring Conference
- WAHQ-sponsored CPHQ Review Course
- The Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) Exam
- Job Offerings http://wahq.org/jobs.asp
 - Clinical Quality Improvement Specialist, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
- Contacts for WAHQ http://www.wahq.org/board.asp

40th Anniversary: 2015 marks 40 years of **National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ)** advancing the healthcare quality profession. As the healthcare quality profession has evolved, NAHQ has evolved to ensure that members positively impact patient care and play a critical role in the clinical outcomes of their healthcare organizations. Through the work of the NAHQ community of leaders, volunteers, and members, NAHQ has created one-of-a-kind healthcare quality education programs, provided professional recognition of the accomplishments of our distinguished members, and certified over 8,600 CPHQs through HQCC.

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

Q ESSENTIALS LEARNING LAB: SUCCESSFUL PARTNERING WITH A COMMUNITY BASED AGENCY IMPROVES CARE TRANSITIONS January 13, 2016 12 pm – 1 pm. Registration Is Now Open!

http://apps.nahq.org/Default.aspx?TabID=251&productId=20686796

Q ESSENTIALS LEARNING LAB: INTEGRATING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IN POPULATION HEALTH February 3, 2016 12 pm – 1 pm. Registration Is Now Open! http://apps.nahq.org/Default.aspx?TabiD=251&productid=22533307%20

INTRODUCTION TO HEALTHCARE QUALITY March 28, 2016 8 am – 5 pm (local time), DeKalb Medical Center, Decatur, GA. Registration Is Now Open! http://www.nahq.org/education/events/intro-aug 15.html_





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NAHQ CPHQ REVIEW COURSE

June 15 - 16, 2016, DeKalb Medical Center, Decatur, GA. Register here -> http://www.nahq.org/education/events/cphq10-15.html

NAHQ CPHQ REVIEW COURSE

October 24 - 25, 2016, DeKalb Medical Center, Decatur, GA. Register here -> http://www.nahq.org/education/events/cphq10-15.html



· 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/hqt/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. One grant is awarded annually.
 Applications for 2015 are closed, watch in early 2016 for the application.
- 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 a year.

 Application for 2016 is now open -> http://www.nahq.org/uploads/2016 Cert. Grant. Application. fillable.pdf
- 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.
 One grant will be awarded annually. Applications for 2015 are closed, watch in early 2016 for the application.
- 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. One grant will be awarded annually.
 Applications for 2016 are not yet available; watch for this posting on the HQF site.



Events http://www.iahq.net/education/index.html No upcoming events posted.



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



• Events http://www.ihaonline.org/Members-Groups/Personal-Membership-Groups/iahq

2016 IHA ANNUAL MEETING, October 18-20, 2016, Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center, Des Moines Additional details are pending.



• Events http://www.mahq.com/my-calendar/ No upcoming events posted.



Events http://mhqp.com/events/

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

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