



Quest Physician Update

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Dear Colleagues,

Quest needs your help.

Summer is winding down signaling it is time to start planning for next year. Each year, Quality Quest convenes the Strategic Planning Committee to review where we have been, reflect on accomplishments and develop next steps. The committee will evaluate potential projects and recommend the 2011 project(s) holding the most promise for improving patient care.

Quest has worked on making medications more affordable, selecting strong evidence-based guidelines for our region, improving the quality of colonoscopy, developing registry capabilities within practices and preparing to pilot patient-centered medical home payment reform. The High Tech Diagnostic Imaging Team is working to make patient care safer and less wasteful, our Healthy Schools team worked to develop local community-based approaches to the childhood obesity epidemic. We are working on "standing up" a Health Information Exchange in central Illinois and launched the HIT Regional Extension Center Central Satellite Office - providing support to smaller primary care practices to transition to electronic health records and capture their full meaningful use incentive payments.

What do you think we should work on in 2011? Please give us your suggestions for potential project topics in one of three ways:

- 1) Take a quick on-line survey and share your ideas by clicking [here](#).
- 2) Email your suggestions to gamundson@qualityquest.org or ctoland@qualityquest.org.
- 3) Fax your suggestions listed below to 309-637-0643.

Thank you for all you do to make patient care better and safer. Together, we are transforming healthcare.

Respectfully,