

# Quest Physician Update

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## *Transforming Healthcare- Together.*

Dear Colleagues,

Healthcare reform is back in the headlines.

One year ago on March 23, 2010, President Obama signed into law the comprehensive health reform legislation, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA or ACA).

Opinions about the health reform law remain mixed. Some people feel it is, while not perfect, a step in the right direction. Some people feel it was a step in the wrong direction. Some people are not sure just what to think. Many people, perhaps most, aren't sure just how the health reform law really works?

I recently became aware of a very nice animated movie – featuring the “YouToons” – that explains the healthcare system, the changes that are happening now, and the changes coming in 2014. It's called “Health Reform Hits Main Street” and I think you will find it is worth your time to check it out. You may even want to recommend it to your patients.

<http://healthreform.kff.org/the-animation.aspx>

Whether you are pro, con, or undecided, one thing is certain – healthcare is changing. Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) final rules aren't out but they are expected to create financial incentives based on an organization's ability to provide high quality, efficient care.

Quality Quest can help your practice succeed. Quest team recommendations are based on the most current science. Your practice does not have to search the literature. Quest teams recommend specific changes that help your practice become more efficient and effective. Quest teams help your practice by recommending measures of success that challenge people to think differently, and Quest helps by providing a means of benchmarking your practice to others. We can only manage what we measure.

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

Respectfully,

