

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT! CALL FOR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ABSTRACTS!

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Deadline for submission: June 15, 2021

We are pleased to announce the annual call for abstracts for the Weill Cornell Medicine **Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Poster Session** highlighting exciting projects designed and led by our faculty, nurses, fellows, residents, physician assistants, medical students and staff across our institution over the past academic year focusing on process improvement and clinical innovations to improve the care of our patients. Abstracts of quality and safety projects completed after July 2020 in both the inpatient and outpatient settings at Weill Cornell, Lower Manhattan Hospital, NYP-Queens and NYP-Brooklyn Methodist are eligible for submission.

Of note this is **NOT** a call for proposals. Projects must be completed or near completion and should reflect one or more of the following four areas:

- **Patient Safety**

Projects focusing on improving the safe delivery of care that include but are not limited to:

- Innovations to engage patients, faculty, and trainees in patient safety
- Improving disclosure of medical errors
- Adjuncts to opiates to optimize pain control^{*†}
- Interventions promoting and improving provider wellbeing/wellness[†]
- Trigger tools
- Human factor engineering and machine learning

- **Health Care Quality**

Projects focusing on improving healthcare systems and delivery that include but are not limited to:

- Patient engagement and activation
 - Targeted interventions on common healthcare issues
- Hospital acquired infections*
 - Central line associated bloodstream infections
 - Catheter associated urinary tract infections
 - C. difficile infections
- Hospital acquired conditions*
 - Pressure ulcers prevention
 - Falls with injury
- Establishing best practice and clinical pathways
- Choosing Wisely® / High value care^{*†}
- Improving the consultation process

- **Care Transitions**

Projects focused on improving the safety and quality of care transitions that include but are not limited to:

- Management of transitions across the healthcare system
 - Communication of pending labs^{*†}
 - Communication between inpatient and outpatient providers
- Interdisciplinary collaborative initiatives to improve care transitions
- Innovations on the management of care transitions for the chronically ill

* NYP Quality goals

† PO goals

- Innovations to address and manage mental health barriers that affect care transitions
- **Improving Health Equity**^{*†}
Projects focused on improving equitable provision of health care that include but are not limited to:
 - Telemedicine and e-learning health equity initiative
 - Academic-community partnership[‡]
 - Innovative programs to address determinants of health[‡]
 - Developing structure and processes to support health equity work[‡]
 - Decreasing institutional racism[‡]
 - Address and reduce implicit bias

Projects may be epidemiologic projects (defining the problem and/or scope of the problem), intervention projects (testing whether an intervention solves or improves a problem), or cost-benefit projects (understanding whether interventions make economic sense). Projects are expected to focus on quality improvement (QI) and those that demonstrate application of QI methodologies and tools are preferred but not required.

This year, the poster session will be held on Zoom on *Tuesday, September 21, 2021* from 5 PM – 7 PM. Please save the date! Pre-registration will begin in August.

Please contact us at QIA-WCM@med.cornell.edu with questions about the submission process. We look forward to your participation in this exciting opportunity.

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‡ IHI Framework