

COMMITTEE'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY

Goal-

The Quality Improvement/Patient Safety (QIPS) Committee is an interdisciplinary committee formed in 2010 to support and promote the Department of Medicine's (DoM) dedication to establishing a reliable, safe healthcare environment and providing high value, high quality care to our patients.

Objectives—

The QIPS committee is comprised of representatives from each major clinical division in the DoM covering practice in both in the hospital and outpatient settings. Representatives from WCM PO QPS and NYP QPS divisions are included,

The committee will

- Focus beyond mandated quality measures, encouraging proactive, division-specific quality improvements.
- Provide leadership to our divisions by upholding national standards of excellence
- Raise awareness and academic respect for efforts in quality improvement and patient safety both within our department and our institution
- Act as liaison between quality committees at the department and institution level, relaying information back to our respective clinical and administrative staff
- Assess and monitor compliance with patient safety initiatives and quality metrics
- Educate faculty, staff, patients to promote awareness of patient safety matters
- Design, implement and lead quality improvement efforts within and across the divisions by focusing on and encouraging grassroots quality improvement efforts that are clinically relevant to improving the care of our patients

- Pursue scholarly activity in quality improvement by
 - Becoming familiar with other research methods outside of those used in traditional clinical research
 - Collaborating with experts within our institution
 - Department of Healthcare Policy and Research
 - Division of General Internal Medicine
 - WCM's IRB
 - Interdepartmental collaboration
- Establishing the first promotions track for academic achievement in quality
- Develop, practice and support departmental strategies to engage and support division faculty involved in adverse events and promote well-being