

ISQIC Newsletter

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Announcements and Updates

Year 4 Progress Reports

Hospitals should have received the ISQIC Year 4 progress report template for ALL hospitals via email. We no longer have separate templates for new, current, or small rural hospitals. Additionally, the ISQIC year for all hospitals will begin each September. The progress reports going forward will consist of brief questions to update the coordinating center on your process measure selections and your ongoing CQIP and local projects, so we can understand how to best provide resources and plan meetings for our ISQIC Teams.

Fall 2018 Benchmarking Reports

Over the next few weeks, the Coordinating Center will be releasing the Fall 2018 ISQIC benchmarking reports which will display your hospital's performance in comparison to other participating hospitals in Illinois. The report includes cases abstracted from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. You will also see your hospital's adherence for all of the ISQIC process measures you have been abstracting (Postoperative Composite VTE, Appropriateness of Blood Transfusions, Perioperative Glycemic Control, SSI Reduction Bundle) compared to the state. Please contact us at info@isqic.org for any questions about these reports. The reports were delayed from the usual September release because they include a number of new models which have been added to a separate slide deck containing the caterpillar plots.

Anesthesia Champion Program

Recognizing the long-standing need for partnership between surgeons and anesthesiologists in the quest to improve quality and safety, ISQIC is launching an Anesthesia Champion program. Similar to the Surgeon Champion but with a focus on anesthesiology related aspects of quality and safety initiatives, the Anesthesia Champion will be key in supporting current and upcoming CQIPs initiatives that require leadership, and engagement from anesthesia colleagues. The Anesthesia Champion can be recommended by the Surgeon Champion, the Department Head of Anesthesia, and/or the Chief of Medical Officer, should be a well-respected leader at your hospital, particularly among their anesthesiology colleagues, and be interested in quality and safety improvement initiatives. Once you have identified an Anesthesia Champion at your hospital, please notify the coordinating center with their name and contact information.

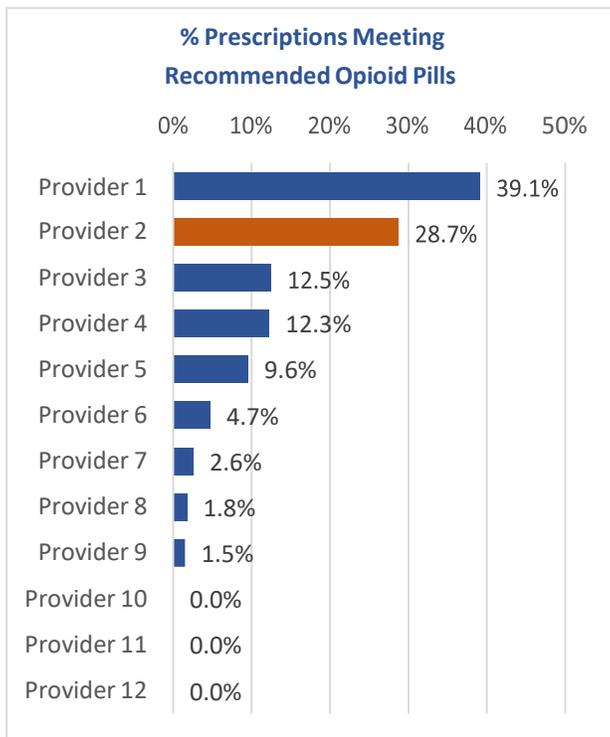
Post-Discharge VTE Chemoprophylaxis

With Post-Discharge VTE Chemoprophylaxis being a focal topic for Year 5 of ISQIC, the Coordinating Center has been working to update and enhance the Post-Discharge VTE Chemoprophylaxis materials. In the upcoming weeks, you can expect to receive version 2 of the Post-Discharge VTE Chemoprophylaxis Toolkit and updated process measures. Additionally, we plan to conduct a number of coaching calls/webinars that focus on a variety of post-discharge VTE chemoprophylaxis topics to help support the uptake and implementation of these materials at ISQIC hospitals. If you have suggestions for improving the available materials or topic ideas for the coaching calls/webinars, please contact Shelby Parilla (sparilla@isqic.org).

John Eisenberg Patient Safety and Quality Awards

The John M. Eisenberg Patient Safety and Quality Awards established by The National Quality Forum and The Joint Commission recognizes major achievements of individuals and organizations to improve patient safety and healthcare quality which are consistent with the aims of better care, healthy people and communities, and smarter spending. Recognizing our focus on improving overall quality by making healthcare patient-centered, reliable, accessible, and safe, ISQIC is being nominated for the Innovation in Patient Safety and Quality Award for its impact at the local community, organization or regional level. **We ask our ISQIC Teams to provide a letter in support of the nomination which will be due by October 26th.** We have attached a template that you can edit for your convenience.

Automating Data



In an effort to decrease abstraction burden for the SCRs, the ISQIC coordinating center is working with a number of hospitals to build discrete, automatic data reports. These reports pull data from an electronic source which decreases the abstraction burden on hospital SCRs. An example of these reports is the creation of an Opioid Prescribing report. This report can include data such as number of pills prescribed, types of opioids prescribed, frequency of opioids prescribed, etc.

By building these automated reports, it reduces the need for manual data collection. If your hospital is interested in learning more about these types of data reports, please contact Shelby Parilla (sparilla@isqic.org).

Left: Example Chart Using Data from Automatic Data Report

Upcoming Events

ISQIC 5th Annual Meeting

The next ISQIC Annual Meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 25th at the NIU Naperville Conference Center. The meeting will focus on our ongoing collaborative quality improvement projects and also have a special session to focus on surgical quality improvement from the anesthesia perspective.

- **Poster Session-** We invite all of our hospitals to submit posters displaying their hospital's quality work for our poster session. You can submit your quality work from the Quality and Safety Conference or from any of your hospital's quality events. The coordinating center will assist with poster printing for posters submitted by the deadline (to be determined). Our last poster session was very well received and there will again be an award for the best poster. Bring your best work!
- **Excellence in Quality Awards-** ISQIC Excellence in Quality Awards are back! In order to recognize outstanding achievements in quality for our ISQIC Hospital teams, we will be awarding Excellence in Quality awards for best Surgical Clinical Reviewer, Best Surgeon Champion and Best Quality Improvement Designee. Any member of your ISQIC team can submit nominations. Please send an email to the coordinating center (info@isqic.org) with your nomination and explain in 200 words or less why you feel the person nominated should receive the Excellence in Quality Award.
- **Anesthesiologist Keynote-** In an effort to partner with anesthesiologists, we have included a session about anesthesia quality initiatives and how surgeons and anesthesiologists can effectively partner on these efforts. The session will include a keynote presentation from, Dr. Nirav Shah, Anesthesiologist at the University of Michigan and Director of the Anesthesiology Performance Improvement and Reporting Exchange (ASPIRE). Dr. Shah leads ASPIRE's collaborative quality improvement efforts across its 40+ member institutions, including 20 across the state of Michigan. ASPIRE focuses on practice variation among anesthesia providers, and developing tools to visualize performance across providers and hospitals. We look forward to hearing from Dr. Shah!

First Annual Illinois Surgical Conference (ISC) – Save the Date!

Save the date for the 1st Annual Illinois Surgical Conference! ISQIC has partnered with the Chicago Surgical Society, the Metro Chicago and Illinois Chapters of the American College of Surgeons, and the Illinois Surgical Society to provide an exciting combined meeting April 26-28, 2019. The meeting will be held at the Union League Club located in downtown Chicago. The combined meeting will include each of the society's regular activities plus much more. We hope you will be able to join us. We will keep you posted as more information about the meeting becomes available.

Upcoming Opioid Stewardship Webinar

“Optimizing Post-Operative Opioid Prescribing at Mayo Clinic”

Thursday November 15, 3:30 – 4:30pm CT

Please join us for the upcoming Opioid Stewardship Webinar featuring Dr. Elizabeth Habermann, PhD, from the Mayo Clinic Center for the Science of Health Care Delivery. During this webinar, Dr. Habermann will share how Mayo clinic has utilized both retrospective and prospectively-collected data as well as multidisciplinary teams to develop and implement evidence-based, procedure-specific guidelines for opioid prescribing at discharge across surgical specialties in the Mayo Clinic.

DEA National Drug Take Back Day

As a reminder, October 27th is the semiannual DEA National Drug Take Back Day. Drug Take Back Day provides a safe and educational prescription drug disposal method that helps to address a critical public health issue. If your hospital would like to learn more about participating, please contact opioidreduction@isqic.org.

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Improving Surgical Care and Recovery (ISCR) Continuing Enrollment

Hospitals who are interested in implementing a gynecology, colorectal, hip fracture or joint replacement enhanced recovery surgery program may register for an upcoming informational webinar to learn about the program or email ISCR@facs.org to begin the enrollment process in order to participate in the 12-month program that starts March 1, 2019. As part of ISCR, AHRQ will provide hospitals with access to evidence-based enhanced recovery pathways, coaching and content calls with experts in the field, resources to help implement your program, the ACS data collection platform and continuous clinical and implementation support. Additional support and resources for our ISQIC hospitals will be provided by the ISQIC coordinating center. T join upcoming informational webinars:

Monday, October 29, 1pm CST <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6295714913929805313>

Thursday, November 8, 3pm CST <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3965241744742344193>

ISQIC would like to recognize our hospitals for the amazing work that goes into our quality improvement efforts. We would like to share lessons learned that may be useful throughout the collaborative in our “In the Spotlight” section. If you would like to share your story, please email the Coordinating Center (info@isqic.org)!



Dr. John Wieland

OSF HealthCare St. Joseph Medical Center

Most of us know Dr. Wieland as a surgeon and part of the ISQIC team at OSF HealthCare St. Joseph Medical Center in Bloomington, IL. Back in 2016, Dr. Wieland received notice from the U.S. Naval reserve Medical Corps that there was a great need for general surgeons. Having seen his father Dr. Martin Wieland serve in the Naval Dental Corps, Dr. Wieland always had a desire to be of service and answered the call. In March 2017, he was commissioned a lieutenant commander in the Navy Medical Corps and the following October he agreed to volunteer for a mission.

Dr. Wieland reported to an Army base in northeast Iraq between Mosul and Tikrit. He treated minor combat-related injuries, knee injuries, dehydration, scorpion bites, drained abscesses, performed an emergency urologic procedure and an emergency gallbladder removal. During his down time, Dr. Wieland kept in touch with his wife Kathy and their children by phone using Wi-Fi and FaceTime. He was deployed for nine months, leaving last November and marking his return home on July 4th. He resumed seeing patients shortly on July 16th and we would like to say welcome back and thank you for your courage, your sacrifice, and for your service!

Dr. Wieland will give a brief presentation at our annual meeting to talk more about his experiences and share some of his stories. We look forward to hearing about it in January!