

Attachment E

Web Sites that Offer Health Care Quality Improvement and Innovation Information

The following Web sites offer content related to health care innovation and quality improvement.

- **American Academy of Nursing** (<http://www.aannet.org/>) seeks “to transform health care policy and practice through nursing knowledge.” Through their Raise the Voice Campaign, AAN has identified nursing projects (known as “Edge Runners”) that “are designed to integrate mental and physical care.” <http://www.aannet.org/raisethevoice>
- **California HealthCare Foundation Improvement Network** (<http://www.chcf.org/cin/about>) seeks “to accelerate the process of enabling California primary care clinicians to deliver high-quality chronic disease care by providing opportunities to share expertise and skills” and offers a forum for the exchange of information about health care innovation. The CHCF Health Innovation Fund supports business models with the potential to significantly lower the cost of care or improve access to care: <http://www.chcf.org/innovation-fund#ixzz2kYIZ2iYG>.
- **Center for Health Care Strategies, Inc. (CHCS)** (<http://www.chcs.org/>) is a national nonprofit organization devoted to improving the quality of health services for beneficiaries of publicly financed care, with goals to improve health care quality; reduce racial and ethnic disparities; and integrate acute and long-term care. In addition to providing information about quality improvement initiatives, the Website contains information about innovative programs as part of the CHCS’ Complex Care Innovation Lab: http://www.chcs.org/info-url_nocat3961/info-url_nocat_show.htm?doc_id=1261537.
- **Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation** (<http://innovation.cms.gov/About/index.html>) was established by section 1115A of the Social Security Act (as added by section 3021 of the Affordable Care Act). Congress created the Innovation Center for the purpose of testing “innovative payment and service delivery models to reduce program expenditures ...while preserving or enhancing the quality of care” for those individuals who receive Medicare, Medicaid, or Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) benefits.
- **Centre for Global eHealth Innovation** (www.ehealthinnovation.org) at the University Health Network and University of Toronto aims to improve health through information and communication technologies by evaluating and developing eHealth innovations.
- **Commonwealth Fund** (<http://www.commonwealthfund.org/>) is a private foundation that aims to promote a high performing health care system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society’s most vulnerable, including low-income people, the uninsured, minority Americans, young children, and elderly adults. The Web site offers innovation case studies and state profiles in addition to information about health policy.
- **Home Health Quality Improvement National Campaign** (<http://www.homehealthquality.org/Home.aspx>) was started by The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and the Home Health Quality Improvement Organization Support

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Center, Quality Insight of Pennsylvania. The campaign is tasked with reducing the number of preventable hospitalizations by improving the quality of home health care so patients can continue to receive care in the home. The Web site offers success stories of providers that have improved the quality of home health care.

- **IHI's IMPACT Network** (<http://www.ihl.org>) and Open School collaborative learning communities are committed to developing and spreading clinical and operational improvements. IHI offers case studies and improvement stories in the Website's Knowledge Center.
- **MacColl Center for Health Care Innovation** (<http://www.grouphealthresearch.org/maccoll/maccoll.html>) is sponsored by Group Health Research Institute. The Center "develops, evaluates, and disseminates innovations in health care delivery."
- **National Academy for State Health Policy** (<http://www.nashp.org/>) is an independent academy of state health policymakers that works across branches and agencies of state government on a broad range of health policy topics. The Web site offers briefs, reports, and other information about emerging and promising practices and policies in many areas.
- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Pioneer Portfolio** (<http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/program-areas/pioneer.html>) "seeks out and supports innovation to accelerate progress and create transformative change, and supports projects that use original, unconventional approaches and lead to breakthrough ideas that can shape the future of health and health care".
- **Why Not the Best** (<http://whynotthebest.org/>) was created and is maintained by The Commonwealth Fund, a private foundation working toward a high performance health system. It is a free resource for health care professionals interested in tracking performance on various measures of health care quality. It enables organizations to compare their performance against that of peer organizations, against a range of benchmarks, and over time. Case studies and improvement tools spotlight successful improvement strategies of the nation's top performers.