AHRQ Health Care Innovations Exchange

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The AHRQ Health Care Innovations Exchange provides a resource that supports decision making on the potential adoption and implementation of health care innovations and tools.

Primary goals:

► To accelerate the diffusion and uptake of novel methods of care delivery and policies to improve quality and reduce disparities in health care

► To facilitate the exchange of information, by providing:
  - usable information on health care innovations and quality improvement tools at www.innovations.ahrq.gov
  - learning and networking opportunities
Searchable database of service delivery and policy innovations and tools

► Includes successes and attempts
► Wide variety of sources including unpublished materials
► Vetted for effectiveness and applicability to patient care delivery
► Categorized for ease of use: extensive browse and search functions
► Innovators’ stories and lessons learned
► Expert commentaries and perspectives
► Ranks among the higher scoring Federal Web sites measured by the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) Survey
► Attracts more than 50,000 users monthly
► Reaches more than 43,000 subscribers
► Expert Panel – 13 nationally known experts in health care delivery and innovation strategy provide strategic guidance on key issues
► Editorial Board – 6 nationally known editors and authors provide guidance on selection of content and strategies to enhance adoption and implementation of innovation
Currently 850+ Innovation Profiles
  ► Focus on service delivery and policy innovations
  ► Intent to improve health care quality and reduce disparities

Currently 1,525+ QualityTools
  ► Practical tools for assessing, measuring, promoting and improving health care quality
  ► Checklists, manuals, reports, and others
Find Innovations by State

Search the Innovations Exchange for Innovations by geographic location.

Choose a State on the State Selection Map or from the drop-down list to view a complete listing of Innovation Profiles and Innovation Attempts implemented in that State. Find out what health care innovators in your State are doing to improve the quality of health care and reduce disparities.

Select AHRQ Resources

- Featured links to selected state-based AHRQ resources for health care quality improvement.
- Feature Story: Health care quality gaps and disparities persist in every State
  - July 2011

State Snapshots

- The State Snapshots provide State-specific health care quality information, including strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities for improvement.

Quality Diagnostic Tools for States

- The Quality Diagnostic Tools for States program consists of events and technical assistance opportunities that disseminate and encourage the use of Quality Improvement tools from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), created to support State policymakers with their health care quality improvement efforts.

Health Information Technology: State and Regional Demonstration Projects Fact Sheet

- The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) awarded projects for supporting statewide data sharing and interoperability activities on a State or regional level aimed at improving the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for patients and populations. An overview of each project and its key achievements is
Examples of Quality Improvement Innovations

- Multidisciplinary Team–Generated Interventions Improve Medication Reconciliation and Patient Safety
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=1812

- Standardized Order Forms, Reminders, and Prompt Performance Feedback Increase Compliance With Joint Commission Community-Acquired Pneumonia Core Measures
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=2565

- Community-Based Teams, Real-Time Information, and Financial Incentives Help Physician Practices Improve Preventive, Health Maintenance, and Chronic Care
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=2666
Examples of Quality Improvement Tools

- Performance Measurement Network Q&A Forum
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=3165
- Care Coordination Measures Atlas
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=3114
- Common Formats for Patient Safety Event Reporting
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=2845
- Guide to the Elimination of Catheter-Related Bloodstream Infections
  http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=3316
Learning & Networking Activities

- Promote information exchange among users
- Web events and multimedia content
  - Web seminars, podcasts, videos
- Social media (Twitter, LinkedIn)
- In-person events
  - Scale Up and Spread Roundtable
  - Million Hearts™ Event
  - Learning Collaborative Roundtable: Measuring Success in Applying Accountable Care Organization and Medical Home Principles
- Virtual events
  - Roundtable events on ROI of Innovations
New Video Series: Patient- and Family-Centered Care

Available at http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/videos.aspx
How to Participate

• Search / Browse the site for strategies to address specific quality improvement challenges
• Provide feedback through the Comments feature
• Submit service delivery and policy innovations to info@innovations.ahrq.gov
• Participate in Web events
• Subscribe to email updates
• Follow us on Twitter: #AHRQIX
Questions?