2012 Quality Excellence Achievement Awards Compendium

Recognizing Illinois Hospitals and Health Systems Leading in Quality and Transformative Health Care
The Illinois Hospital Association’s (IHA) Institute for Innovations in Care and Quality (The Institute) second annual Quality Excellence Achievement Awards recognizes and celebrates the achievements of Illinois hospitals that are committed to transforming Illinois health care through innovative approaches and best practices.

From 67 submissions representing 40 hospitals, awards were presented to a total of eight hospitals in two categories: urban and rural/critical access. The two award recipients and six finalists, who were honored at IHA’s annual Leadership Summit, were selected by a panel of 30 nationally-recognized quality improvement leaders based on their achievement and progress in advancing one or more elements of the Institute of Medicine’s six aims for improvement:

- Safety
- Effectiveness
- Timeliness
- Efficiency
- Equity
- Patient-centered care

To share these initiatives among members, The Institute has published this compendium that provides a synopsis of all award entries along with contact information for additional details. The compendium receives national exposure by being featured annually on the Hospitals in Pursuit of Excellence (HPOE), an AHA affiliate, website.
Call for Entries

May 2013

Be sure to watch for this opportunity to be recognized and celebrated for your hospital’s achievements in advancing patient care.
Award Recipients
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Award category—Rural/Critical Access

Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital, Dixon

Streamlining the Intake Process of Cardiac Patients in the Emergency Department

Award category—Urban

OSF Healthcare System, Peoria

Improving Obstetrical Care Through Organizational Collaboration

The following pages contain summaries of the award recipients’ projects.
Award Finalists
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Rural/Critical Access category

**Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services, Gibson City**
*Reduce Medication Errors Through the Implementation of Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE), Medication Bar Coding and Smart Pump Technology*

**Graham Health System, Canton**
*Intensive Care Management*

**St. Mary’s Hospital, Centralia**
*Reducing Readmissions CQI+ Team—Implementing Change Through the IHA Project RED Collaborative*

Urban category

**Advocate Hope Children’s Hospital, Oak Lawn**
*Utilization of an Interdisciplinary Team Approach for the Care of Infants with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS)—The Ideal Quality Improvement Collaboration*

**Alexian Brothers Health System, Arlington Heights**
*Improvement in Patient Safety and Quality of Inpatient Care Through Appropriate Blood Product Management*

**Holy Family Medical Center, Des Plaines**
*Collaborative Approach to Reduce Health Care-Acquired Clostridium difficile Infection Rate in a Long-Term Acute Care Hospital (LTACH)*

The following pages contain summaries of the award finalists’ projects.
Process Improvement–Clinical

Hospital/System: Mason District Hospital, Havana

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Project Title: The "90 Minute” Performance Improvement Team

Summary: After learning of the "90 minute" standard of care for providing definitive treatment for cardiac patients, the team was charged with making recommendations to reach the "90 minute" goal. Records from 2006 found that in some instances, it took as long as 7.5 hours to get patients from the Emergency Department door to the cardiac care center door.

The hospital examined ED arrival times, ECG and EKG times, ED to Cath Labs transfer times, and balloon times to develop strategies to reduce the timeframes and improve care for both ground and helicopter EMS transports.

Through continued process improvement, the team improved the door-to-balloon time to an average of 115 minutes in 2012 with a best time of 34 minutes. Their record for ED door-to-balloon time (or total perfusion time) is 106 minutes traveling by ground and 107 minutes traveling by air. Work continues to meet the 90-minute goal.

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