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Available Tools:

"Treating the Constellation of Cardiovascular Disease Risk Factors to Goal" DVD offers four CMEs free through Oct. 15; contact Ramona Drake for information, 601-957-1575 ext. 231

"Core Measures Help Booklet for PC Practices"

"Core Measures Help Booklet" (AMI, HF, PN, SCIP, STK, & VTE)

Events

August National Immunization Awareness

Teleconference/Webinar: Sept. 26

The Role of the Pharmacist: Working Together to Decrease Hospital Readmission Rates is the subject for a Sept. 26 presentation from 10 to 11 a.m. The statewide Learning & Action Network meeting will include a presentation on the valuable role of the pharmacist in care transitions. Topics to be discussed include medication reconciliation, ways to increase access to medications, and patient compliance. Registration will be sent via email and available on the IQH website www.msqio.org shortly. For questions or additional information on this program, contact Mary Helen Conner, project leader, at mconner@msqio.sdps.org.

Congratulations: Mississippi Baptist Medical Center Video Recognized

IQH's Reducing Healthcare-Associated Infections Learning & Action Network congratulates Mississippi Baptist Medical Center for its award-winning educational video entitled *Man in Black: Food and Nutrition Safety*. The video was selected as the People's Choice Award winner for the Association for Professionals in Infection Control (APIC) at the APIC 2013 Film Festival. The APIC 2013 Annual Conference, held June 7-9 in Fort Lauderdale, attracted over 4000 attendees from all over the world, including Baptist Infection Coordinators Erica Payne and Susan Taylor. View the winning video here: <http://tinyurl.com/mhwpzff>.

Program Set for Nursing Homes

QAPI: Strategies to Be an Exceptional Leader in Quality Improvement

IQH will host a Learning & Action Network (LAN) meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for nursing home staff. The face-to-face LAN meeting at the UMMC Conference Center, Jackson Medical Mall, is designed to assist nursing homes with Quality Assurance Performance Improvement (QAPI) efforts and the use of the Best Practices Change Package. Participants will be shown how to lead with a sense of purpose and nourish teamwork/communication utilizing TeamSTEPPS, an evidenced-based program. Anyone wishing to join the meeting should contact Project Leader Mae McDaniel at 601-957-1575, ext. 221.

Month	
Aug. 11-17 National Health Center Week	<p>Decreasing Antipsychotic Medication Use</p> <p>Nursing homes are welcomed to join the Mississippi Partnership to Improve Dementia Care Coalition. This coalition has had two face-to-face meetings with providers who are interested in decreasing antipsychotic medication use. Round table discussions were used to address barriers and find solutions. At the last meeting, several nursing home staff members shared their success with decreasing antipsychotics and the process used to achieve success. To participate in these quarterly meetings, contact Mae McDaniel at 601-957-1575 ext. 221.</p>
Aug. 14-16 14th Annual Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly	
Aug. 15 The Governor's Health Care Economic Development Summit hosted by Governor Phil Bryant	<p>Learning & Action Network Discovery Learning Series Topics Announced</p> <p>A Discovery Learning Series, open to anyone seeking to improve quality in a healthcare setting, will cover the topics of <i>Change</i> in the September presentation; <i>Engaging Partners</i> in October; and <i>Community Organizing</i> in November. Scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 2 to 3 p.m., the quality improvement topic for Sept. 11 is <i>Demystifying Change</i> and for Sept. 25, <i>Leveraging Change</i>. The audio conference number is 1-877-691-6020. Conference ID is 5161391; WebEx login is https://qualitynet.webex.com, and the password is improvement. For more information, contact Sarah Miller, smiller@msgio.sdps.org.</p>
Aug. 21 Webinar National Nursing Home Collaborative 1:30-3 p.m.	
<p>September Healthy Aging Month</p>	
National Cholesterol Education Month	
National Health IT Week Sept. 16-20	
Sept. 29 World Heart Day	<p>Event Listings</p> <p>Aug. 11-17 National Health Center Week (NHCW) 2013, proclaimed by the President, is being observed to raise awareness about the mission and accomplishments of America's Health Centers as local solutions for affordable and accessible health care. More than 1,000 events will take place at health centers and in communities from coast to coast.</p> <p>Aug. 15 The Governor's Health Care Economic Development Summit, hosted by Governor Phil Bryant, is at the Jackson Convention Complex and will focus on the objectives of the <i>Blueprint Mississippi Health Care: An Economic Driver</i> report. Co-hosts are the Mississippi Economic Council, Mississippi Economic Development Council, Mississippi State Medical Association, Mississippi Hospital Association and the Mississippi Municipal League. The summit, which marks an important milestone in the overall vision for Blueprint Mississippi, will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., followed by a special bonus session "Economic Development Magnifier" from 2-4 p.m. and a Governor's reception</p>

from 4-5 p.m. More information can be found at <http://www.msgio.org/iqhevents.php>.

Aug. 14-16

14th Annual Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly ("Shaping the Future") will be at the MSU Riley Center in Meridian. Visit the [MSQIO website](#) for more event information.

Aug. 21 1:30-3 p.m.

National Nursing Home Collaborative virtual learning session webinar focusing on promoting accomplishments and advancing the improvement process to other projects. For more information, contact Mae McDaniel at mmcdaniel@msgio.sdps.org.

Influenza Season Reminders

National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) this month highlights the need for improving national immunization coverage levels and encourages all people to protect their health by being immunized against infectious diseases. The observance offers an avenue for promoting timely immunization for people of all ages and serves as a reminder that influenza season is only a few months away. It's an opportunity to emphasize the importance of preventing disease through immunization, a component of IQH's Improving Health for Populations and Communities Aim.

eCard to patients with reminders for them to check their vaccination status can be found at: Adults need vaccines too! -

<http://tools.cdc.gov/ecards/message.aspx?cardid=609>

Heart disease flu shot reminder -

<http://tools.cdc.gov/ecards/message.aspx?cardid=616&category=202>

CMS resources include: General immunization information at

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prevention/Immunizations/index.html?redirect=/immunizations/>

Information about flu shots:

<http://www.medicare.gov/navigation/manage-your-health/preventive-services/flu-shots.aspx>.

Information about pneumococcal shots:

<http://www.medicare.gov/navigation/manage-your-health/preventive-services/pneumococcal-shot.aspx>

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