Call for Papers

“Developing Workforce Competency to Deliver on Value”

The Journal for Healthcare Quality (JHQ) is seeking high-quality original research, robust quality improvement, and systematic review manuscripts for the 2021 special issue, which will focus on workforce competency.

Organizations that systemize quality through the education and alignment of their workforce with healthcare quality competencies are experiencing actual, measurable quality improvement and cost reduction. JHQ is seeking to understand how these organizations deliver on value by preparing quality teams, leadership, and front-line staff to do the work of healthcare quality. Of particular interest are organizations that can demonstrate quality improvement results based on the integration of quality and safety competencies in their workforce: performance & process improvement, population health & care transitions, professional engagement, health data analytics, patient safety, regulatory & accreditation, quality review & accountability, and quality leadership & integration.

Welcome are theoretical, systematic review, robust quality improvement, and rigorous research manuscripts; these can be quality improvement studies, activities or projects related to assessment, implementation, training, and organization changes.

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