Alliant Quality: Getting to Know Your Quality Improvement Organization

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Learning Objectives

• Understand who Alliant Quality is and its role as the QIN-QIO
• Understand the CMS Aims
• Understand the support that Alliant Quality and its partners provide to you
• Understand the benefits of participating in QIN-QIO initiatives
Ground Rules

• All lines are muted, so please ask your questions in chat
• Be present and actively participate
Polling Question #1

• What state are you from?
Alliant Quality

• Supporting providers, clinicians, and beneficiaries and their families for almost 50 years
• Data driven and clinically led
11th SOW Success

- CDI Reporting and Reduction in Nursing Homes (NHs):
  - 147 NHs enrolled in NHSN and 275 SAMS cards obtained
  - 43 fewer CDI cases

- 635 NHs partnered with Alliant Quality
  - 9735 residents had their antipsychotic medication reduced
  - 287 reduced their composite scores to 6 or less

- 8 Community Coalitions in GA and 10 Community Coalitions in NC were created to work on common goals for 1,423,571 beneficiaries in both states
11th SOW Success (continued)

• 4.7% reduction in antibiotic prescriptions = 71,000 fewer antibiotics prescribed in the combined Medicare population in GA and NC of 1,510,634 people

• Over 300 providers in GA engaged in improving flu and pneumonia vaccine rates
  – Pneumonia vaccine doses given in 2017 = 117,409 – a 92% increase from 61,138 doses in 2014.

• 404 practices and 19 inpatient psychiatric facilities participated in behavioral health work
  – Provided 66,968 depression screenings
  – 20462 risky alcohol use screenings
Polling Question #2

• Have you worked with a QIN-QIO before?
12th SOW & NQIIC Team
CMS 12th Statement of Work

• Mission of 12th Statement of Work: increase performance of the health care systems by increasing quality and reducing the burden associated with achieving that quality

• Drive specific, results-oriented quality improvement efforts that require participation of clinicians, providers, and stakeholders

• Engage long term care-nursing homes and community coalitions to work together toward a common goal across settings and levels of care through 2024
CMS National Aims

• Aim 1: Improve Behavioral Health Outcomes, focusing on decreased opioid misuse
• Aim 2: Increase Patient Safety
• Aim 3: Chronic Disease Self-management (cardiac, diabetes, ESRD)
• Aim 4: Increase Quality Care Transitions
• Aim 5: Improve Nursing Home Quality
Quality Improvement Initiatives

• If you previously had an active Quality Improvement Initiative, Alliant Quality will continue to support you
Beneficiary and Family Advisory Council (BFAC)

• Beneficiary and Family Advisors represent the collective voice of all Medicare beneficiaries and their families and provide their perspective and experience to improve health and healthcare for Medicare beneficiaries through quality improvement efforts in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

• We are looking for new members of our BFAC. If you are interested or have a suggestion for new members, please send an email to BFAC@alliantquality.org.
Alliant Quality is Here to Partner with Nursing Homes

Benefits of Participating:

• Collaborative learning events offered throughout the year, as well as technical assistance based on specific goals
• Sharing of best practices and strategies
• Assistance with QAPI, quality improvement planning, and the use of quality improvement tools
Alliant Quality is Here to Partner with Nursing Homes (continued)

Your commitment requires support of facility leadership in the following areas:

• Improve the mean total quality score for all nursing homes and increase the percentage of NHs that have a total quality score of >1258.
• Reduce Adverse Drug Events (ADE) in nursing homes
• Reduce healthcare-related infections in nursing homes and hospitalizations for *C. difficile* infections
• Reduce ED visits and readmissions in short-stay nursing home residents
Nursing Home Next Steps

• Review, sign, and submit a participation agreement to nursinghome@alliantquality.org

• Alliant Quality or one of its partners will follow up with you
Alliant Quality is Here to Support Community Coalitions

Benefits of participating:

• Engage in meaningful conversation with local providers, clinicians, and community-based organizations to work toward a common goal, such as decreasing opioid misuse and reducing avoidable hospital readmissions

• Collaboratively conduct a root cause analysis to identify community health issues and develop a plan to make improvements
Alliant Quality is Here to Support Community Coalitions (continued)

Your commitment includes:

• Signing a community charter within the next six months to show commitment of engagement, collaboration, and support of national aims

• Regularly attend meetings, or designate a proxy, and contribute to the conversation
Community Coalition Next Steps

• If you are interested in participating in or developing a local community coalition, contact us today

• If you are in Alabama, Florida, or Louisiana, contact Jeana Partington, Program Director, at Jeana.Partington@AlliantHealth.org

• If you are in Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, or Tennessee, contact Leighann Sauls, Program Director, at Leighann.Sauls@AlliantHealth.org
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