

MAHQ Quarterly

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Quote

“
Our greatest
weakness lies in giving
up. The most certain
way to succeed is
always to try just one
more time.”

Thomas A. Edison



Don Berwick delivers key note address at the Maine Quality Counts Conference at the Augusta Civic Center

So What is this HIINS Anyway? By Trudy Rairdon

(Spoiler Alert! The following article has many acronyms and may be mistaken for alphabet soup!)

HIIN or the Hospital Improvement Innovation Network is the newest project that CMS has rolled out to improve Quality and Patient Safety at your Hospital and impact National Health Outcomes. The Maine Hospital Association (MHA) is serving as our primary contact here in Maine to help coordinate our efforts across the state. They have been very helpful in setting up internal processes and the myriad of educational offerings that have occurred to foster success.

Hospitals engaged in the Health Research and Educational Trust (HRET) HIIN will receive ongoing support and resources on the following topics:

- Adverse Drug Events (ADE)

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Save the Date



MAHQ Spring Program
Thursday May 4th

**Maine Hospital
Association – Augusta
Maine**

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- Catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI)
- Central line-associated blood stream infections (CLABSI)
- MRSA
- Clostridium difficile (*C. diff*)
- Injuries from falls and immobility
- Pressure ulcers (PrU)
- Readmissions
- Sepsis and septic shock
- Surgical site infections (SSI)
- Venous thromboembolism (VTE)
- Ventilator-associated events (VAE)
- Hospital culture of safety
- Antibiotic stewardship
- Developing a metric to measure/report on all-cause harm

MHA and the HRET national team will provide:

- On-site and virtual **technical assistance and coaching** on quality improvement, culture change, patient and family engagement, and data submission, interpretation, analysis and more.
- **Cross-cutting resources** targeting the HIIN harm areas.
- **Clinical topic-specific resources and peer-to-peer resources** including up-to-date checklists, change packages and case studies.
- Peer to peer networking and sharing at national **virtual trainings** and **in-person events**.
- **Best practice hospital stories and case studies** which highlight specific topics and provide detailed information on successes and lessons

Got News? We need articles/photos for future MAHQ Quarterly newsletters. If you have anything that you would like to share from the world of healthcare quality, please send to Jeff Gregory, MAHQ Communication Chair @ gregoj@mmc.org

Be sure to check us out on Facebook!



Nationally this project is only 31 hospitals shy of the goal of that had been set of 4,000 hospitals participating! Look at the number of folks you can network with and benchmark against! If you have any questions the HRET website has a wealth of information, check it out.
<http://www.hret-hiin.org/>



Maine Hospital Association

Summer Forum

Samoset Resort – Rockport

June 21 – 23

Early Bird Registration – Before June 1st

\$275 MHA Member Hospitals and their Affiliates
\$300 MHA Member Hospitals and their Affiliates
\$225 Trustee (volunteer members of hosp. board)
\$250 Trustee (volunteer members of hosp. board)
\$400 MHA Corporate Affiliate Member
\$425 MHA Corporate Affiliate Member
\$575 Non-Member (payment required w/registration)

Key Note Addresses and the Allied Award Luncheon – Thursday June 22nd

MAHQ Distinguished Member of the year will be recognized!