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Critical Access ●
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2021

Iowa Quality Professional Award Winner



Barb Toohey

2021

IAHQ Rising Star Award Winner



Lorrie Van Pelt

2021

IAHQ Scholarship Winners



Denyse Gipple



Elly Shaw

District A Representatives:

Barb Runneberg, Kossuth Regional Health Center

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Quarterly Update

District A IAHQ award winners were recognized during their second quarter meeting.

The group discussed quality monitoring that included: Nutritional Services/Dietary, Pharmacy, and Radiology.

New items discussed included:

- QIO audits through Livanta
- CAH's and total joint service lines
- Swing bed level of care
- Reinstatement of Wellmark prior authorizations for acute rehab, home health, PMIC, RTC, and SNF.

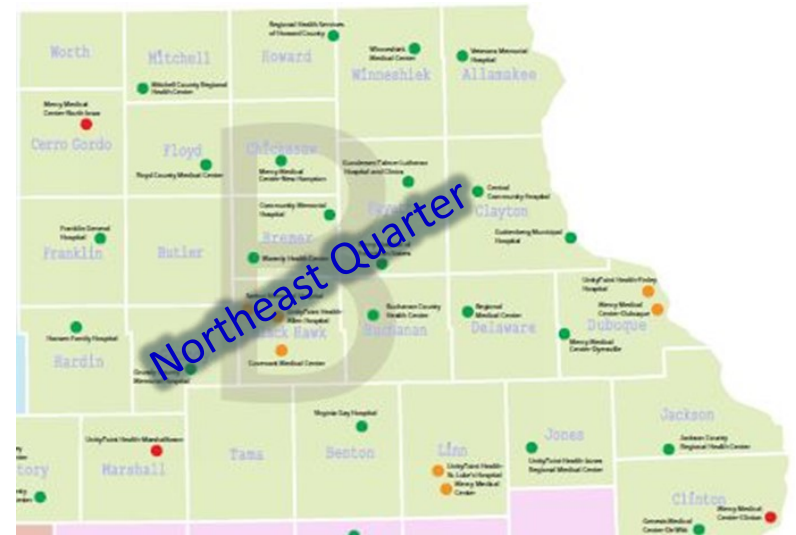


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District B Representatives:

Kaidy Rasmussen, Buchanan County Health Center

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District C Representatives:

Elly Shaw, Knoxville Hospital and Clinics

Denyse Gipple, Mahaska Health

2021 Meeting Dates

All meetings will be virtual and start at 10:00 a.m.

- Thursday, Feb 4, 2021
- Thursday, May 6, 2021
- Thursday Aug 5, 2021
- Thursday, Nov 4, 2021

Please email Elly or Denyse with any questions or request for a calendar invite.

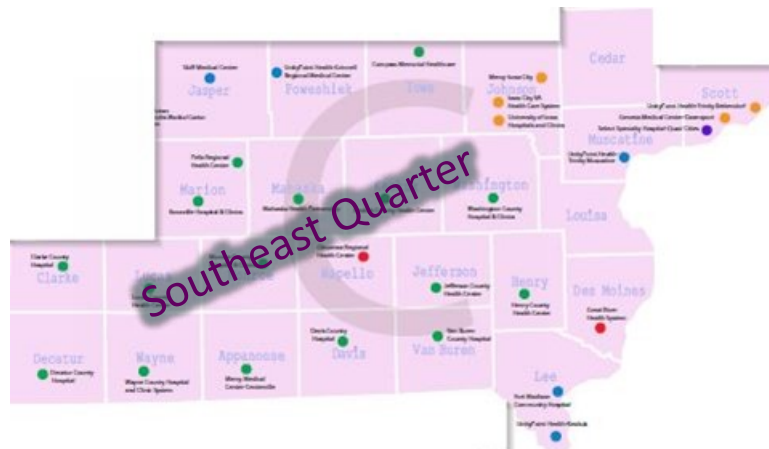
Elly Shaw at eshaw@knoxvillehospital.org or
Denyse Gipple at dgipple@mahaskahealth.org

Quarterly Update

District C met virtually on May 6, 2021. IAHQ award winners were celebrated and the spring conference was discussed.

An IAHQ Board update was given during the meeting along with an IHC update. There was a roundtable discussion about QI/PI projects in different areas.

District C is planning an in-person meeting on August 5th, which will be held at Knoxville Hospital and Clinics.



District D Representatives:

DeeAnn Wedemeyer Oleson, Guthrie County Hospital
Maggie Brown, Clarinda Regional Health Center



2021 Meeting Dates

All meetings are quarterly and start at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 18, 2021— virtual

Thursday, June 17, 2021— Shenandoah Medical Center

Thursday, September 16, 2021— Dallas County Hospital

Thursday, December 16, 2021— virtual

Quarterly Update

District D met on Thursday, June 17th. Shenandoah Medical Center hosted the meeting for those attending in person, and some participants attended via Zoom.

Lana Comstock from the Iowa Healthcare Collaborative provided an update via Zoom.

Nancy Wilde and Chris Barten from the Iowa Department of Health were present in person and provided updates to the group.

The following topics were discussed: 30-day readmissions, recent DIA surveys and areas of focus, plans for CAH annual evaluation now that it is no longer required by conditions of participation, and changes to COVID screening processes and restrictions.

Quality indicators for the following departments / services were also shared: dietary, pharmacy, safety and quality, HIM, lab, clinics, nursing, and infection prevention.

The next district D meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 16th at Dallas County Hospital. Alternatively, members may participate via Zoom.

District E Representatives:

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2021 Meeting Dates

At this time there is no meeting information available for District E.





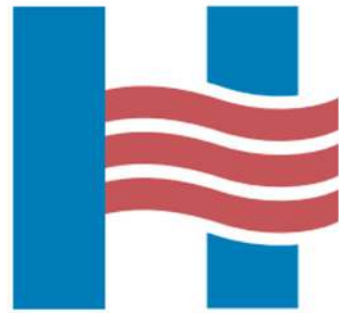
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