Quality Improvement Certificate Program

UW, Comagine Health partnership offers LTPACs faculty instruction, mentorship

The University of Washington and Comagine Health have joined forces again in 2023 to offer an innovative safety and quality improvement program for teams from up to 20 nursing home facilities.

The program, which begins in September and runs through February 2024, will feature faculty from UW providing online instruction and mentorship to support work on reducing adverse drug events and facility-acquired infections.

During the program, participating teams will

- Apply the curriculum through a mentored improvement project as a team.
- Complete a quality improvement project (with mentorship) to earn a quality improvement certificate from UW.

Nurse managers, infection control officers, rehab therapists and facility administrators are encouraged to participate. Each facility may enroll a small interdisciplinary team, though a single enrollee is also accepted. We ask that each registrant make a commitment to attend and participate in the entire program to complete a project and earn a certificate. The sessions are available to staff members at facilities in Nevada, Utah, Idaho, New Mexico, Oregon and Washington. Registration is now open.

Fall 2023 Schedule

- **Sept. 7:** Culture of Safety
- **Sept 14:** Root Cause Analysis
- **Sept. 19:** Intro to QI Methods
- **Sept. 28:** Preventing Adverse Drug Events
- **Oct. 5:** Office Hours
- **Oct. 12:** High Reliability and Lean Methods
- **Oct. 19:** AIM statements, Equity in QI
- **Oct. 26:** Process Mapping and Driver Diagrams
- **Oct. 31:** PDSA
- **Nov. 9:** Run Charts and Change Management
- **Nov. 16:** Reducing Facility Acquired Infections
- **Nov. 30:** Designing Processes for Sustainability
- **Dec. 7:** Leading Change and Engaging Frontline Staff
- **Dec. 14:** Clinical Standardization

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