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UPDATE
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EQIC ends Sept. 17; Congratulations on your achievements!

The Eastern US Quality Improvement Collaborative will end Sept. 17.

EQIC was established in 2020 to deliver services for the CMS Hospital Quality Improvement Contract, and EQIC hospitals should be proud of your great success advancing care quality and safety in the four years since. Even though the contract began during a global pandemic, hospitals came on board with passion and determination to continue providing quality care and improving patient safety.

Over the course of this contract, known as the 12th Statement of Work, EQIC exceeded CMS' goals of reducing all-cause patient harm by 9%, readmissions by 5%, adverse drug events by 13% and adverse drug events related to opioids by 7%.

What's next?

EQIC will continue to work with your hospital to advance quality improvement activities and provide relevant communications through the remainder of the contract period. We will continue to support you and your team in the work you do every day to keep your patients and communities healthy!

Please continue to:

- attend webinars, workgroups and CAHort meetings as usual;
- take advantage of the vast resources available at qualityimprovementcollaborative.org for future onboarding and training;
- access data reports on the secure portal; and
- work with your project manager to plan upcoming QI projects.

Important dates to remember:

- **Aug. 15:** The final EQIC data pull. From that date forward, access to enter data into the portal will be closed.
- **Sept. 17:** The EQIC contract ends. Access to the secure data portal will be closed.

While the 13th SOW is in the planning phase, information relative to hospital selection criteria is not yet available. If you have questions, contact [Cathleen Wright](#) or your project manager.

Thank you!

The EQIC team congratulates you on your achievements during this contract and encourages you to continue to advance your QI agenda using the tools and experiences gained.

Questions?

Please contact [Cathleen Wright](#) or your [EQIC project manager](#) with any questions.

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