

COMPENDIUM
2013

Delivering Quality
with Distinction

**2013 Quality
Excellence
Achievement
Awards**

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Recognizing Illinois
Hospitals and
Health Systems
Leading in Quality,
Innovative and
Transformative
Health Care





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Overview

The Illinois Hospital Association (IHA) Institute for Innovations in Care and Quality's (The Institute) third annual Quality Excellence Achievement Awards—*Delivering Quality with Distinction*—celebrates Illinois hospitals and health systems' transformational achievements utilizing the Institute for Healthcare Improvement's Triple Aim philosophy:

- Enhancing the patient experience;
- Improving population health; and
- Reducing health care costs.

Building upon previous years, 104 projects from 57 hospitals and health systems were submitted this year. IHA appreciates the expertise and commitment demonstrated by our members as well as our judging panel of 29 nationally-recognized quality improvement leaders, who carefully reviewed and scored each application. This year, three awards were presented, one in each of the following categories: Health Care System, Rural/Critical Access Hospital, and Urban Hospital.

To share these initiatives among members, The Institute has published this compendium that provides a synopsis of all project entries along with contact information for additional details. The compendium receives national exposure by being featured annually on the [Hospitals in Pursuit of Excellence \(HPOE\)](#), an AHA affiliate, website.



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CALL FOR ENTRIES

Opens Spring 2014

Be sure to watch for this opportunity to be recognized and celebrated for your hospital's achievements in advancing patient care.

AWARD CATEGORIES

- Health Care System
- Rural/Critical Access
- Urban

New in 2014: The Tim Philipp Award

A passionate advocate for quality improvement and patient-centered care, Tim Philipp, who died in May 2013 after a long battle with cancer, spearheaded the work of IHA's Quality Awards. His work was greatly influenced by his unique perspective as a nurse, teacher and cancer patient. The *Tim Philipp Award for Excellence in Palliative Care* will honor excellence and innovation in palliative care.



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Care Coordination: Care Transitions

Project Title: Delivering COPD Care Across the Continuum

Hospital/System: UnityPoint Health - Methodist, Peoria

Summary: Only 20% of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) patients at the hospital were properly diagnosed and staged with spirometry. Because of this, care was not evidence based, and there was poor coordination between sites of care. They developed a COPD program spanning the continuum of care. By careful attention to organizational dynamics, the hospital was able to do an initial implementation within five months. Key outcomes included improvement in proper diagnosis and staging of COPD, adoption of one evidence-based guideline for care, standard patient education across the continuum of care, and standards for treatment. This was done at multiple sites of care including ambulatory physician offices, the Emergency Department, inpatient, and home care within the organization. In addition, they developed partners at nursing homes, long-term acute care and medical supply organizations in the community.

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