

The Colorado Foundation for Medical Care was founded in 1970 and has grown to be one of the most experienced and respected medical quality improvement organizations (QIO) in the United States. CFMC, the official QIO for the state of Colorado since 1974, offers a variety of interrelated services to help its clients contain health care costs, improve quality of care and assure that health care dollars are spent on medically necessary and appropriate services.

## Overview of Services:

### Continuing Education

CFMC is an expert in continuing education services and has provided credit for physicians and nurses' educational activities since 1994. CFMC became an accredited provider of CME and CNE in 2004, which has enabled us to be part of more than 300 educational activities since we began our accredited educational programs. Being able to offer CME credits have many benefits for your organization including improving reputation, quality improvement and you may find, even increases revenue.

For more information about CFMC's continuing education services please contact Lorraine Pickrell at 303-784-5761 or via e-mail at [LPickrell@cfmc.org](mailto:LPickrell@cfmc.org).

### Physician Office: Doctors Office Quality Information Technology (DOQ-IT)

Doctor's Office Quality Information Technology (DOQ-IT) is a quality initiative to improve outpatient health care through the use of health information technology. CFMC works with physician offices to promote the adoption of clinical information systems with a vision of enhancing access to patient information, decision support and reference data, as well as improving patient-clinician communication.

For more information about CFMC's DOQ-IT services please contact Ellen Batchelor at 720-208-6399 or via e-mail at [ebatchelor@cfmc.org](mailto:ebatchelor@cfmc.org).

### Home Health Outcome-Based Quality Initiative (OBQI)

As a part of the national Outcome-Based Quality Improvement (OBQI) system, CFMC works directly with home health agencies to improve care for Medicare beneficiaries. CFMC uses Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS)-derived information to assist agencies in setting and achieving targets for improvement in patient care processes as well as in specific clinical outcomes.

For more information about CFMC's home health outcome-based services please contact Laura Palmer at 303-695-3300 x3332 or email [lpalmer@cfmc.org](mailto:lpalmer@cfmc.org).

## **Hospital Quality Improvement**

CFMC plays a pivotal role in improving Colorado hospital quality by offering hands-on resources, one-on-one training and staff education. The hospital quality improvement initiative's goal is to reduce medication errors and other system failures for hospitalized cardiovascular and pneumonia patients and to prevent surgical infections. CFMC provides education on national priority topics and quality improvement techniques.

For more information about CFMC's hospital quality improvement services please contact Michelle Mills at 303-847-1727 or via e-mail at [MMills@cfmc.org](mailto:MMills@cfmc.org).

## **National Nursing Home Quality Initiative**

The Nursing Home Quality Initiative (NHQI) is a national program developed to publicly report quality measures for every Medicare or Medicaid certified nursing home in the country. CFMC plays a critical role in this initiative by helping nursing home staff understand the quality measures, implement strategies to improve their care delivery systems and organizational culture, and share best practices with other providers of care.

For more information about CFMC's nursing home quality improvement services, please contact Shari Ward at (303) 669-9581 or [sward@cfmc.org](mailto:sward@cfmc.org).

