

# Are You Interested in Advancing Malnutrition Care at Your Organization?

# Join the 2018 MQii Learning Collaborative

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and Avalere Health are enrolling participants for the 2018 MQii Learning Collaborative, and invite you to join us in advancing malnutrition care across our nation. This collaborative brings together leading hospitals and health systems across the U.S. to support acceleration and dissemination of malnutrition best practices for hospitalized patients. Learning Collaborative participants undertake a data-driven, patient-centered, malnutrition quality improvement project at their respective hospitals using a best practices Toolkit, and can use clinically meaningful measures to track and monitor improvement.

#### Why Malnutrition Matters

20-50%

of patients are at risk for malnutrition or malnourished upon hospital admission<sup>i</sup> Only 7% of hospitalized patients are

typically diagnosed, leaving many others potentially undiagnosed and untreated<sup>ii</sup> Up to 5X greater likelihood of in-hospital death is

associated with malnourished patients<sup>#</sup>

54%

increase in likelihood of hospital 30-day readmissions is associated with malnutrition<sup>iii</sup>

#### A Valuable Opportunity for Your Hospital and Your Patients

#### Value of the MQii

#### **Build on Continued Success**

Over 50 hospitals are already advancing malnutrition care through MQii Learning Collaborative participation in 2016 and 2017

#### Improve Outcomes That Matter

High-quality malnutrition care is associated with better outcomes important to patients and clinicians such as reduced length of stay and risk of 30-day readmissions

#### **Opportunity to Elevate Malnutrition Care**

Participants have increased facility-wide awareness of the importance of addressing malnutrition care gaps

#### Participate at Your Own Pace

Participation is customizable to fit the needs of your organization

## **Benefits of Participation at a Glance**

- **Engaging webinars** featuring malnutrition and quality experts from around the U.S.
- Monthly Learning Collaborative newsletters to guide you throughout the entirety of the project
- Support using a comprehensive best practices MQii Toolkit, and tools to enable implementation of electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs)
- Opportunity to collaborate with colleagues/peers from other leading hospitals to improve malnutrition care
- **Technical assistance** with collection of performance data to track and monitor implementation progress
- **Performance benchmark reports** to evaluate how you compare to other participants
- Annual report highlighting Learning Collaborative results and successes
- **Opportunities to publish and present** on your organization's initiative and results



If you are interested in learning more about how your organization can participate in the MQii Learning Collaborative, please email:

## MalnutritionQuality@avalere.com

Learning Collaborative participation and all included resources are free

The MQii offers a dual-pronged approach to malnutrition quality improvement, providing hospitals a malnutrition Toolkit and a complementary set of eCQMs to advance care quality.

The MQii Toolkit provides practical resources to enable hospitals to achieve optimal nutrition standards of care



Data reported from eCQMs will help hospitals demonstrate their success in meeting the standards of care

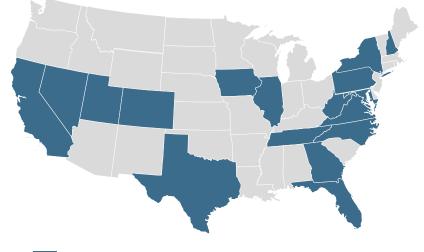
Learn More about the MQii Toolkit and eCQMs at www.MQii.Today

#### **Experiences of Learning Collaborative Participants**

Hospitals across the country implemented the Toolkit and eCQMs in 2016 and 2017. They exchanged best practices and provided a foundation for how to improve malnutrition care.

- "Anybody can do this, whether this is your first journey into quality or not."
- "The MQii provides the framework to walk you through the process and teach the necessary and important steps. I wish I had MQii years ago to help me get to where we are now."
- "Involvement in MQii is helping us further advance an already strong culture of quality by providing a structured framework for identification of gaps and a strategy to achieve our aims."
- "We thought we were doing quite well, but the MQii forced us to take a deeper look into our practice efforts and helped uncover some of our service gaps."

#### Click Here to Watch Previous Learning Collaborative Participants Share Their Experiences



= 2016 & 2017 MQii Learning Collaborative Participants

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