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Celebrating Healthcare Quality Week October 19 - 25

Healthcare Quality Week, observed October 19–25 and recognized by the National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ), celebrates the vital work of health care quality professionals and their contributions to improving care delivery across the country. In Wisconsin, this week features two key highlights that showcase statewide performance and promote continued advancement in patient care.



First is the **2025 Wisconsin Quality Snapshot**, which showcases national rankings achieved by Wisconsin hospitals and underscores the state's leadership in delivering high-quality care. This visual overview presents statewide performance on essential quality and safety measures, offering a concise look at trends, benchmarks and improvement efforts. It also features a variety of hospital stories that illustrate innovative approaches to enhancing care. Together, these stories reflect the shared commitment to learning, collaboration and continuous improvement across our state.

Applications for the **2026 Excellence in Quality and Patient Safety Awards** also launched this week. These awards offer a meaningful opportunity to showcase your organization's most impactful work in advancing patient care.



Whether it's a breakthrough in safety, a data-driven improvement strategy or a collaborative initiative that made a measurable difference, this is your chance to highlight the dedication and innovation happening within your teams. Initiatives will be recognized statewide and serve as inspiration for others striving toward excellence.

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Oct. 30, 2025

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Nov. 6, 2025

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2026 WHA Health Care Leadership Academy