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Sign up to Participate in E-QUAL's 2018 Learning Collaboratives!

Deadlines to Enroll in each 2018 Learning Collaborative

Sepsis Initiative Wave III February 21, 2018

Avoidable Imaging Initiative Wave III

March 22, 2018

Chest Pain Initiative Wave II
April 19, 2018

To sign-up please visit the **E-QUAL Homepage** and click on the green E-QUAL Initiatives Portal button.

E-QUAL Publication

<u>Preliminary Performance on the New CMS Sepsis-1 National Quality</u>

<u>Measure: Early Insights From the Emergency Quality Network (E-QUAL)</u>

E-QUAL's first publication is a guide to EDs and policymakers on current CMS SEP-1 performance and ED sepsis best practices implementation.

E-QUAL Learning Collaboratives

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Register Today: E-QUAL General Office Hours - LIVE Webinar

December 13, 2017 from 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM EST



Sepsis Portal Activities

As participants in the <u>Sepsis Wave II learning collaborative</u>, please make sure to continue to complete the portal activities. We recommend that you complete one activity per month. At this time your site should be working on **Activity 10 "Benchmarking II"**.

The submission deadline for Activity 10 is November 17th.

To receive a benchmarking report, your site must complete Activity 10 by the deadline.





Sepsis Reassessment Nova Panebianco, MD Todd Slesinger, MD

Our webinar this month aimed to help care givers by:

- Obtaining images of the IVC with ultrasound and how to interpret these images.
- Reviewing other methods of fluid reassessment including static, dynamic, and respiratory variation.

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Sepsis eCME

Achieving the Triple Aim in Critical Care Using Advanced IT and Business Strategy

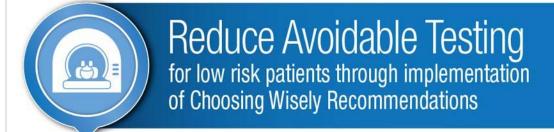
To view all of E-QUAL's Sepsis Initiative eCME, click here.

Sepsis Podcast

New recommendations from the Surviving Sepsis Campaign, and What do they Mean for the Emergency Department?

To view all of E-QUAL's Sepsis Initiative podcasts, click here.

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Avoidable Imaging Portal Activities

As participants in the **Avoidable Imaging Wave II** learning collaborative, please make sure to continue to complete the portal activities. We recommend that you complete one activity per month. At this time your site should be working on **Activity 6 "Download and Review Data"**.

Webinar Review

Renal Colic & PE CT Chris Moore, MD Jeff Kline, MD



Our webinar this month aimed to help care givers by:

- Discussing the pros and cons of various imaging options (ultrasound, standard CT, low dose CT, no imaging) in suspected acute renal colic.
- Recognizing the consequences of testing for PE in a low risk patient, from one patient perspective.

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Avoidable Imaging eCME Malpractice – A Driver of Over-Ordering

To view all of E-QUAL's Avoidable Imaging Initiative eCME, click $\underline{\text{here}}$.

Avoidable Imaging Podcast

Working with Radiology to Reduce Avoidable Imaging

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Chest Pain Portal Activities

As participants in the <u>Chest Pain Wave I</u> learning collaborative, please make sure to continue to complete the portal activities. We recommend that you complete one activity per month. At this time your site should be working on **Activity 3"Engage Cardiology Leadership and Review Project Plan"**.

Webinar Review



Dollars and Sense of Imaging Options for Chest Pain Kristin Newby, MD Michael Kontos, MD

Our webinar this month aimed to help care givers by:

- Choosing stress testing and imaging selectively, based on: disease probability, patient characteristics, test characteristics, test availability, and cost.
- Discussing these tests with your cardiology and radiology colleagues to develop an evidencebased algorithm to order the right test on the right patient at the right time.
- Evaluating the strengths, limitations, and outcomes of the tests with which you will be working.

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Chest Pain eCME Making the Most Out of an Observation Stay

To view all of E-QUAL's Chest Pain Initiative eCME click here.

Chest Pain Podcast

Risk Stratification Scores and Shared Decision Making

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Quality Tip of the Month





"No matter what the cardiologists say, you are a better Emergency Doctor with high sensitivity troponin than without it."

W. Franklin Peacock, MD, FACEP, FACC, Baylor College of Medicine

Interested in providing Quality Tips from your experiences? Your tip will be highlighted and credited to you, as shown above. Please contact us at equal@acep.org.

Frequently Asked Questions



Question:

What resources will the learning collaboratives provide to participating sites?

Answers:

Each learning collaborative will be a distinct national campaign launched under the common mission and model of E-QUAL. Each learning collaborative includes three stages:

1. Recruitment & Enrollment

- Enrollment Pledge
- Quality Readiness Assessment Survey

2. Learning Period (9 months)

- Monthly Webinars
- Introduction to tool kit, guidelines and other informational materials
- Online E-QUAL Portal Activities
- CME and MOC activities
- Benchmarking data
- Office Hours

3. Wrap Up

- Data and Summary Reports
- Lessons Learned Evaluation
- eCME & MOC credit
- Meet CMS PQRS requirements
- Re-enrollment

If you have any further questions please reach out to us at equal@acep.org.

For other questions please visit our updated <u>FAQ page</u>. If your question has not been answered, please e-mail us at <u>equal@acep.org</u>.

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