IHI WELCOMES 2013-2014 QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FELLOWS

Clinicians, managers, and health care leaders from Europe, North America, and the Middle East taking part in year-long immersion program

Cambridge, MA – August 13, 2013 – The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide, today announced the ten mid-career health professionals who will be spending a year with the organization to sharpen and deepen their skills as quality improvement leaders.

The group includes five Quality Improvement Fellows from the United Kingdom, supported by The Health Foundation; a Kaiser Permanente Safety Net Fellow from the United States and a Hamad Medical Corporation Fellow from Qatar. These individuals will be joined by a Harkness Fellow from Canada, supported by The Commonwealth Fund, as well as a Danish Society for Patient Safety Senior Fellow and a Harvard Pediatric Health Services Research Fellow.

“Each year, the infusion of new perspectives and fresh insight from our Fellows brings palpable energy to our organization as they embark on a year-long improvement journey,” stated Maureen Bisognano, president and CEO of IHI. “I’m pleased to welcome an outstanding group of fellows to IHI this year, and wish them great success as they join the growing ranks of leaders shaping the discussion and the changes needed to achieve better health and better health care worldwide.”

The IHI Fellowship Program aims to develop health care leaders with the drive, skills, and experience to spread improvement in the United States and globally, and to build capability within health care organizations to reach dramatically higher levels of performance. Fellows spend one year at IHI’s office in Cambridge, MA, and return to their home organization to lead transformative change.

“Fellowship graduates have formed a growing, influential, and vibrant alumni community,” stated Don Goldmann, IHI’s Chief Medical and Scientific Officer, and the senior lead for the Fellowship Program. “They maintain and foster close ties between IHI and sponsoring organizations, creating new collaborations and synergies that will help tackle pressing health and health care problems in the US and abroad.”
2013-2014 IHI Fellows include:

The Health Foundation Quality Improvement Fellows

Barry Appleton, MA, MChir, FRCS (Gen Surg)  
Consultant Colorectal and General Surgeon  
Abertawe Bro-Morgannwg University (ABMU) Health Board  
Princess of Wales Hospital  
Bridgend, UK

Peter Chamberlain, BSc, MBChB, MRCP (UK), MRCGP, DRCOG  
Lead Clinician for Strategy and Innovation  
South Sefton Clinical Commissioning Group  
London, UK

Hans Hartung, MD, MRCP (UK)  
Consultant Respiratory and General Physician  
University Hospital Crosshouse, NHS Ayrshire & Arran  
Kilmarnock, Scotland

Anne Kilgallen, MB BCh, BAO (NUI), MPH, FFPH, FFPHMI  
Medical Director  
Western Health and Social Care Trust  
Londonderry, Northern Ireland

Erica Reid  
National Programme Lead, Emergency Care Pathways  
Scottish Government Health Directorates  
Edinburgh, Scotland

Kaiser Permanente Safety Net Fellow

Gilbert Salinas, MPA  
Director of Patient and Community Relations  
Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center  
Downey, CA

Hamad Medical Corporation Fellow

Jameela Al-khowaiter Al-Ajmi, MD  
Senior Consultant Infectious Diseases  
AED-Infection Prevention and Control  
Hamad Medical Corporation  
Doha, Qatar
Harvard Pediatric Health Services Research Fellow

Timmy Ho, MD
Harvard Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellowship Program, Boston Children's Hospital
Boston, MA

The Commonwealth Fund's Harkness Fellow in Health Care Policy and Practice

Chris Hayes, MD, MSc, MEd, FRCPC
Medical Officer, Canadian Patient Safety Institute
Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine and the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Danish Society for Patient Safety Senior Fellow

Jens Winther Jensen, MD
CEO, Health Care North Denmark Region
Aarhus, North Denmark

IHI has extensive experience providing effective, in-depth professional development for health care leaders, clinicians, and managers through its fellowship programs. To date, IHI has hosted 62 fellows, and alumni have gone on to lead organizational, national, and international work to improve care for patients and their families. Further information on IHI’s Fellowship Program can be found at http://www.ihi.org/offerings/Training/Fellowships/Pages/default.aspx

About The Institute for Healthcare Improvement

IHI is a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide. For more than 25 years, we have partnered with an ever-growing community of visionaries, leaders, and front-line practitioners around the globe to spark bold, inventive ways to improve the health of individuals and populations. Together, we build the will for change, seek out innovative models of care, and spread proven best practices. When it comes to raising the quality of health for all, IHI sees boundless possibilities and while we see the walls in front of us, we will not rest until we reach the other side. Learn more at ihi.org.

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