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IHI ANNOUNCES 2014-2015 CLASS OF QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FELLOWS

Six clinicians and health care leaders spanning four continents convene in Cambridge for year-long immersion program

Cambridge, MA – September 9, 2014 – [The Institute for Healthcare Improvement](#) (IHI), a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide, today announced its six 2014-2015 Quality Improvement Fellows. During the year-long immersion program, which has been operating for more than 10 years, the group of seasoned clinicians and health professionals will hone and enhance the skills necessary to spread quality improvement within their home organizations and around the world.

The Fellows in this year's class span four continents, including two clinicians from Qatar, supported by the [Hamad Medical Corporation](#), two Fellows from the United States, supported by the [Harvard Pediatric Health Services Research Fellowship Program](#) based at Boston Children's Hospital and funded by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, a New Zealand [Harkness Fellow](#), sponsored by the Commonwealth Fund, and the [Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein Fellow](#) from Brazil.

"The caliber of our Fellows always energizes the IHI staff and inspires growth for them and for us during the program and in the years to follow," stated Maureen Bisognano, president and CEO of IHI. "We are looking forward to opening our doors to this year's remarkable group and collaborating in their personal and professional developments as we work side-by-side to create better health and health care for all."

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.

"Beyond the immersion experience, graduating Fellows have access to a vibrant, robust alumni community of fellow improvers, now numbering 72, equally dedicated to advancing health and transforming care in the U.S. and abroad," stated Don Goldmann, IHI's Chief Medical and Scientific Officer, and the senior lead for the Fellowship Program. "When connected to this type of network, an individual's scope of influence is enriched beyond themselves and their local communities to drive larger scale solutions for our most pressing U.S. and global health and health care problems."

2014-2015 IHI Fellows include:

Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein Fellow

Antonio Capone Neto, MD, PhD

Medical Coordinator (Director)

Critical Care Medicine

Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein

Sao Paulo, SP, Brazil

Hamad Medical Corporation Fellows

Nawal Al-Tamimi, MD

Nuclear Medicine Radiologist

Radiology Department

Hamad Medical Corporation

Doha, Qatar

Sahar Al-Asam, BDM, MSD, CAGS

Consultant, Pedodontics

Department of Dentistry

Hamad Medical Corporation

Doha, Qatar

Harvard Pediatric Health Services Research Fellows

Timmy Ho, MD

Harvard Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellowship Program

Boston Children's Hospital

Boston, Massachusetts

Margee Louisias, MD

First Year Allergy-Immunology Fellow

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Boston, Massachusetts

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

Helen Mason, MBA, RN

Chief Operating Officer

Bay of Plenty District Health Board

Bay of Plenty, New Zealand

About The Institute for Healthcare Improvement

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