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JCR, IHI release “Fundamentals of Health Care Improvement: A Guide to Improving Your Patients’ Care,” Second Edition

(Oak Brook, Ill.—March 5, 2012) Joint Commission Resources (JCR) and the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) announce the publication of *Fundamentals of Health Care Improvement: A Guide to Improving Your Patients’ Care*, Second Edition. JCR is a not-for-profit affiliate of The Joint Commission.

Research shows that quality improvement (QI) initiatives are more successful when implemented through an interprofessional approach. Authored by a team of physicians and nurses, the second edition of *Fundamentals of Health Care Improvement* is grounded in this principle. Charting a course for future health care professionals, the book provides nursing students, medical students and resident physicians with information and practice guidelines related to the basics of QI. *Fundamentals of Health Care Improvement: A Guide to Improving Your Patients’ Care*, Second Edition contains a new foreword by IHI president and CEO Maureen Bisognano along with the following features that are designed to prepare readers to be advanced beginners in QI:

- Methods for identifying and closing the quality gap and improving patient safety
- Instruction on how to find, evaluate, and apply scientific evidence for improving care
- Discussion of communication, teamwork, and an interprofessional approach
- Description of process literacy and a variety of process modeling/mapping procedures
- Comparisons between and practical applications of various measurement tools
- Three-step approach for planning, developing, and sustaining a “spread” effort
- Educator’s guide chapter with activities for medical and nursing students

The book is available for \$35, using order code PIMS11. To order this book, call JCR Customer Service toll-free at 877.223.6866, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CST, weekdays, or visit www.jcrinc.com.

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