

Five Things You Can Do This Week

- Read about two Match Day experiences
- Learn about the Atlanta Chapter's student-designed quality improvement experiences
- Check out what the IHI Open School team is reading
- Watch a TED Talk on the importance of the doctor's touch
- Read the Community news

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Blog Posts: Match Day Madness

Chapter Spotlight: Atlanta Chapter



The IHI Open School has two new blog posts to highlight Residency Match Day for medical students on March 16.

[The Excitement, the Nerves, the Uncertainty ... it's Match Day!](#) Joshua Liao, a fourth year medical student at Baylor College of Medicine, takes us inside his thought process as he prepares for Match Day or, in his words, one "massive job notification party."

[Enjoying the Milieu of Matching: Reflections from a First Year Intern.](#) Ross Hilliard, a first year internal medicine resident at Rhode Island Hospital and The Miriam Hospital, looks back on his experience last year on Match Day and encourages students to "take the chance to celebrate. Take a little time to reflect on what you have accomplished."



With the ongoing testing of the IHI Open School Quality Improvement Practicum, many schools around the world are hard at work on quality improvement projects. One of the biggest challenges has been getting collaboration between all schools - medical, nursing, public health - on campus.

Imagine trying to do it between two schools.

That's the challenge facing the IHI Open School Atlanta Chapter, a multi-university Chapter made up of students from Georgia Institute of Technology and Emory University.

[Learn more about their success](#) and how you can apply it to your quality improvement projects.

What We're Reading

TED Talk: A Doctor's Touch



Each week the IHI Open School highlights relevant quality improvement, patient safety and health professions education news on our homepage.

[Visit our homepage](#) and look for the What We're Reading feature to see what the IHI Open School team is reading this week. Don't forget to check back each week for new updates.

Looking for more? [Follow us on Twitter](#) to find more health care news and updates from the IHI Open School.



Modern medicine is in danger of losing a powerful, old-fashioned tool: human touch. Physician and writer Abraham Verghese describes our strange new world where patients are merely data points, and calls for a return to the traditional one-on-one physical exam.

In our era of the patient-as-data-point, Abraham Verghese believes in the old-fashioned physical exam, the bedside chat, the power of informed observation.

[Watch now.](#)

Community Updates

Welcome, New Chapters

United States

- Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center, New York
- Kettering College, Ohio
- Rush University Medical Center, Illinois

International

- Delta State University, Nigeria
- Hospital Regional Presidente Juarez, Mexico

Duke Chapter Event: Root Cause Analysis

The Duke IHI Open School Chapter strives to raise awareness among our members about patient safety and quality, but often these discussions are theory/hypothetical heavy. To try and give its members a real-world grounded experience in medical errors, they invited Duke's Patient Safety Officer Ms. Judy Milne, RN, MSN, CPHQ to speak to them about Root Cause Analysis.

Take the IHI Open School course [PS 104: Root Cause and Systems Analysis](#) to learn more on this topic.

Blog on Academic Program at UCSF

[A new blog post on Wing of Zock](#) highlights UCSF's efforts to integrate quality and safety into the school of medicine curriculum. Read the blog to learn more about the program and the contributions made by Dr. Niraj Sehgal, IHI Open School Faculty Advisor of the UCSF Chapter.

Chapter Tip of the Week

Are hectic schedules preventing your team from meeting? Meet for lunch! This activity makes creative use of break-time and offers the opportunity for people to grab a bite to eat and learn something new. Try out a [Lunch and Learn](#) today!