

The IHI Open School is an online learning community where you can take free courses, earn a certificate, network with peers and experts, and gain confidence and skills in quality and safety to change health care.

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## Do Your Own Quality Improvement Project

**Students and Residents:** Are you ready to apply your improvement and safety knowledge and skills in your own health care setting? The IHI Open School is offering a new online course that will walk you through how to set up and execute a quality improvement project. Upon successful completion of the six-lesson module, you will receive the IHI Open School Practicum Certificate, showing future employers and health care organizations that you have the skills, knowledge, and desire to improve care processes. Learn more about the [IHI Open School Quality Improvement Practicum](#) and get started today!



## Using the IHI Open School as a Framework for Resident Education



In a new article, Drs. Lizabeth Martin and Byron Joyner, faculty at the University of Washington School of Medicine, explain how residents are using the IHI Open School online courses as a framework for increasingly important education. "The basic structure and approach of the IHI modules are ideal for someone starting out in quality improvement," says Dr. Lesta Whalen, a pediatric ICU fellow at Seattle Children's Hospital.

[Click here to learn more](#) about how the University of Washington has integrated the IHI Open School into their medical school curriculum. Is your school or organization using the IHI Open School courses? [Tell us how](#) and join the growing community.

## Community Updates

### Welcome, New Chapters

#### United States

Quinnipiac University,  
**Connecticut**  
Saint Joseph's University,  
**Pennsylvania**

#### International

Hospital Italiano in Buenos Aires, **Argentina**  
Lagos State University Teaching Hospital, **Nigeria**  
Royal Berkshire Hospitals NHS Trust, **England**

## Get Your Chapter Off to a Great Start in 2013

Check out the [new Chapter Toolkit](#), an on-the-go resource you can take to your first meeting in 2013. In the 21-page packet, you'll find ideas on managing your Chapter, recruiting new members, conducting projects, and much more.

Does your Chapter have new leaders in 2013? If so, help us welcome them to the community by [updating your Chapter contact information](#) today!

## Faculty Opportunity: Call for Applications for the 2013 Macy Faculty Scholars Program

The Macy Faculty Scholars Program is designed to support early- to mid-career faculty in medicine and nursing who are dedicated to improving the education of health professionals. Each year, up to five faculty members are selected to pursue educational change at their home institutions. [Click here to learn more](#) about this opportunity through the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation.