



## Best-Selling Author Dan Heath to Speak at the 5th Annual Chapter Congress

The IHI Open School is thrilled to announce *New York Times* best-selling author Dan Heath as the keynote speaker at the 5th Annual IHI Open School Chapter Congress, sponsored by Kaiser Permanente. Heath, best known for *Switch: How to Change Things When Change is Hard*, will join Dr. Don Berwick at the largest annual meeting of Chapter Leaders and members this year.



The event will provide attendees the opportunity to meet other leaders in the community, share best practices, and discuss the future of health care. [Register for December's National Forum](#) and join us at the Chapter Congress.

## Announcing the Winner of the David Calkins Memorial Scholarship



Monica VanBuskirk, an MBA student in the Health Sector Management Program at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business, won this year's David Calkins Memorial Scholarship. The Calkins Scholarship is awarded annually to one full-time health professions student who demonstrates a strong interest in health care improvement -- and allows the student to attend the National Forum at no cost. Read about her reaction to the news and her scholarship-winning essay in a [new blog post](#).

## Community Updates



### Welcome, New Chapters

#### United States

Hudson Valley Community College,  
New York

#### International

Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital,  
Ghana

## Forum Reminder: Student Storyboard Submissions Due November 16

Storyboard displays at the National Forum provide an opportunity for students to share their improvement strategies and celebrate their Chapter successes with other Forum attendees. The deadline to submit storyboard abstracts for the 24th Annual National Forum is **November 16**. [Review full storyboard guidelines and requirements here](#).

## Upcoming Chapter Events

**University of Colorado Denver:**  
**Quality Improvement and Patient Safety (QIPS) Symposium**  
*Denver: November 8, 12 - 5 PM*

Patty Gabow, MD, MACP, former CEO of Denver Health, will be speaking about "Achieving High Reliability Health Care through Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Efforts" as the keynote speaker for the QIPS Symposium. There will also be panel discussions, a poster session, and a reception.

**IHI Open School Houston Regional Conference**  
*Houston: November 15, 11:45 AM - 4:00 PM*

The University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston and Baylor College of Medicine Chapters are hosting a one-day event for students, residents, and health professionals in the Houston area. The goal of the event is to expose attendees to important issues in patient safety and quality improvement, and provide an opportunity to attendees to connect with like-minded peers and leaders. To learn more about the event and register, [please click here](#).

## Vocational Training Team (VTT) in Brazil

*Enrollment: July 2013 -- Program date: April/May 2014*

The [Rotary Foundation](#) is looking for young professionals who are interested in a one-to-four week ["student exchange"](#) in Minas Gerais, Brazil. The program offers a unique opportunity for a cultural immersion and leadership training for young health professionals in the early stages of their careers.



Individuals who live or work in District 4670 of the International Rotary should apply. Contact [Dr. Paulo Borem](#), Coordinator of the Quality Innovation Center, Unimed Foundation, for more information.