



# Great Plains Quality Innovation Network is the Quality Innovation Network- Quality Improvement Organization for North Dakota and South Dakota. We aspire to make health in our region the best in the nation.

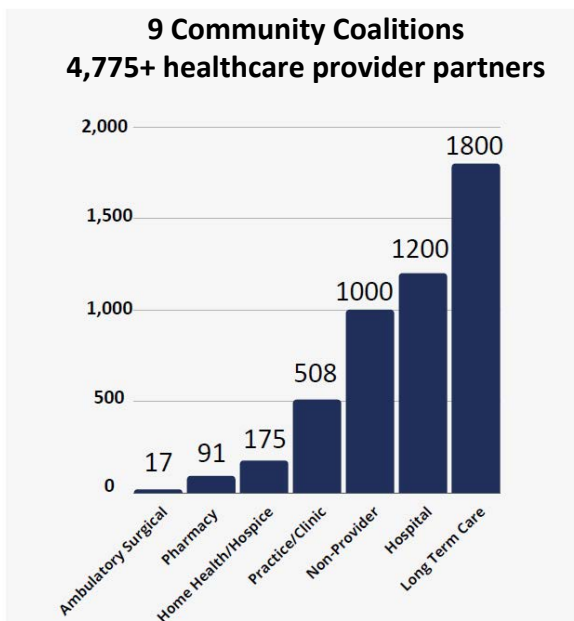
## Who We Are and What We Do

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Program is one of the largest federal programs dedicated to improving the quality of health care at the community level. We connect and convene the right people to help solve health care challenges, one community at a time. Our initiatives are designed to improve health outcomes, health care quality, access, value and equity for people with Medicare.



## Learning and Action Network Partners and Events (December 2019-July 2022)

<b>128</b> events led and/or supported by Great Plains QIN	Highest attended event: Caring for the Caregiver Webinar   April 2022: <b>233</b> attendees
<b>3500+</b> total attendees or events led and/or supported by Great Plains QIN	Cumulative evaluation score for all GPQIN-led events: <b>4.7</b> on 5.0 Likert Scale



Number of individual stakeholders engaged by healthcare setting.

## Community Coalition Efforts


4 Best Practice Brief Series | crisis prevention management, behavioral health, chronic disease management, health disparities

Advisors and Action Group leaders facilitate change

Meetings feature best practices and programs and dialogue on issues pertinent to each community

**7,811** interactions with our partners  
**308** unique healthcare organizations





## COVID- 19 Pandemic Assistance to Nursing Homes – By the Numbers

Targeted assistance to increase resident and staff vaccinations	<b>113</b>
Targeted assistance on infection prevention and control	<b>214</b>
Support encounters (vaccine confidence, data collection and reporting, staffing issues, vaccine access and supply)	<b>3500+</b>

*(phone calls, in person-visits and email exchanges)*

We meet with nursing homes where they are at in their quality improvement journey. Participating homes have access to expertise and technical assistance. Evidence-based best practices, data, tools and trainings support nursing homes in achieving quality improvement aims.

**COVID-19 Vaccination Ambassadors:** 117 organizations reached **75%** or greater staff vaccination status.

**Nursing Home Assistance with Data Collection and Reporting:** Our team is knowledgeable and serves as a resource to nursing homes on quality improvement and data collection and reporting. Support encounters related to the National Health Safety Network (NHSN) was **1000+**.

**Quality Measure Video Series: 250+ video views:** The most popular: Understanding your Nursing Home by CASPER Quality Measure Report, followed by Pneumococcal, & Antipsychotic Medication and Influenza Quality Measures.

**Nursing Home Listserv:** Connects nursing home team members with their peers in the Dakotas. **772** nursing home members; nearly **700** unique messages on topics - compliance, staffing issues, policies, on-boarding, education, infection control, medication safety and care coordination. A safe space to share resources, ask questions and quickly disseminate CMS, CDC, NHSN and QIO updates.

North Dakota: **100%** nursing home participation  
South Dakota: **98%** nursing home participation

**PERSON-CENTERED**

**DYNAMIC**

**COLLABORATIVE**

## **PATH Project**

Our PATH team works with Indian Health Service (IHS) health care facilities and area offices to develop a unified, “we” approach to improve tribal health in the seven states PATH serves. Through PATH, we partner with IHS facilities to improve the health of American Indian and Alaska Native persons. We offer tailored and personal support to help build skills for leadership, staff development, patient safety and quality improvement competencies.

*The PATH initiative is funded by the Center for Standards and Quality at CMS. Comagine Health was awarded the 4-year contract and Great Plains QIN subcontracts with Comagine on this important work.*

**"We're all in this together. GPQIN has been a great resource for our team. Thanks for helping make my job easier!"**



# Great Plains QIN Testimonials

“Your Ishikawa (fishbone) diagram is certainly a major improvement on my hand drawn hieroglyphic version. I will share it with our medical staff and the team who participated with the exercise. I also do very much appreciate the other tools, some of which I hope to be able to implement with our efforts for improvement.”

– ***Nursing Home Administrator***

“Thank you to the team at Great Plains QIN for your help in supporting our workshops and trainings. It was a huge help to our staff. We appreciate your support.”

– ***Community Coalition Partner***

“We appreciate the assistance and support we continue to receive from the Great Plains QIN team. They were very helpful during the review of our Root Cause Analysis and in providing additional resources for our use.”

– ***Nursing Home Administrator***

“Your newsletters are a treasure trove of information – thank you!”

– ***Community Coalition Partner***

## Website Impact

July 2020 - July 2022

Total Page Views: **165,000+**

Total Blog and Event Views: **54,000+**

Nursing Home Quality Page Views: **2,700+**

## Social Media Impact

July 2020 - July 2022

Our Facebook reach has exceeded **20,000+** impressions

Our Twitter impressions have exceeded **43,000+**

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