# WISPQC MINUTE

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### **3rd Annual Summit**

Thank you for joining us on September 15 for WisPQC's 3rd Annual Summit! The focus of the 2020 Summit was patient and family engagement. We heard from two family advisors who shared their powerful stories about their perinatal care experiences.

Summit highlights included:

- Celebrating Wisconsin's recent designation as an "Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health" (AIM) state;
- Sharing recent statewide perinatal QI work with our <u>virtual poster sessions</u> (which you can still access!);
- Learning from the excellent work of our partner PQC's in Louisiana and Massachusetts; and
- Welcoming special guests, Governor Tony Evers and Attorney General, Josh Kaul.

Weren't able to attend live? Access the agenda, recording, and materials here.



# Family Advisors

WisPQC is pleased to announce that over twothirds of our membership organizations voted to amend the operating principles to include two seats for family advisors on the Steering Committee, as of September 28, 2020.

Thank you to those of you who voted on behalf of your organization! Access the updated operating principles <u>here</u>.

Interested in engaging family advisors at your site or learning more about WisPQC's Family Advisor Program? Visit our \*new\* resource page!

# New Steering Committee Member

WisPQC is delighted to welcome Amy Dean, a survivor and advocate of severe pre-eclampsia and HELLP Syndrome, to hold the first of two family advisor seats on the WisPQC Steering Committee, effective January 2021. We look forward to welcoming her to our leadership team!



# **Steering Committee Election Timeline**

General membership voting ends 11/02/2020 **New Steering Committee** members announced 11/06/2020 New members attend the meeting for onboarding 12/03/2020 **Newly-elected members** officially take office 01/01/2021

# Staci Bohling Receives National Credential in Obstetric and Neonatal Quality and Safety



The National Certification Corporation (NCC) announced that Staci Bohling, BSN, RN has achieved an NCC national credential in Obstetric and Neonatal Quality and Safety. The credential is earned by meeting educational and/or practice requirements and taking a rigorous national examination that covers the specified specialty areas.

Staci joins the over 175,000 health care professionals that have earned the prestigious NCC credential since 1975.

Maintenance of the credential is required every three years and involves earning ongoing continuing education in the specialty.

"I started my QI journey when I joined WisPQC and the Exclusive Human Milk Feeding Learning Collaborative with Kyle Mounts in 2017," stated Staci. "I became more involved with my role at Froedtert West Bend with QI projects related to hypoglycemia in the newborn, increasing skin-to-skin time, and increasing exclusive breastfeeding with Dr. Erwin Cabacungan, a neonatologist from Children's Hospital. Over the years, I have been active in WisPQC with the NAS/NOW initiative and other QI projects in our Birth Center. I could see how making a small change could make a huge difference and standardizing how things are done to help the outcome be more consistent."

"Thanks to everyone at WAPC and WisPQC who supported me through this QI journey! I am not sure where this path will lead, but I will continue to work on QI projects on my unit and look for other avenues to expand my knowledge of quality improvement."

# Member Resources & Highlights



Are you interested in making self-monitored blood pressure accessible for all pregnant and postpartum moms? The <u>Pre-Eclampsia Foundation</u> announces the Cuff Kits™ Program!

Cuff Kits™ include a validated automatic blood pressure monitor, specially created patient education materials, logs, and additional online information. Telehealth has taken over a lot of prenatal and postpartum visits; women need blood pressure cuffs at home to monitor one of the most important vital signs in pregnancy. Learn more <a href="here">here</a>!

The Well Badger Resource Center is a health information and referral service operated by the Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Reference the Well Badger Resource Center's newsletter, website, social media content here. Feel free to share their graphics and newsletter!



Have something relevant to quality improvement initiatives in Wisconsin that you want to share?

Email wispqc@perinatalweb.org!

# Life QI: WisPQC's Quality Improvement Data Platform

WisPQC hosted a live Life QI Basics workshop on September 14, 2020 to familiarize members with the new platform. Click <u>here</u> to access the recording.

# **Initiative Updates**



### **NAS/NOWS & Life QI Pilot:**

- Active pilot runs October 2020 March 2021
- Monthly learning collaboratives and data submission



#### **Human Milk Feeding:**

- Launched in 2017
- Learning collaboratives meet every other month



#### **Upcoming in 2021:**

- Maternal Hypertension
- Maternal OUD Screening & Referral to Treatment

### Save the Date for the 4th Annual Summit

Tuesday, September 21, 2021