IHQI catalyzes healthcare improvement by engaging providers in improvement projects, education, and scholarship.

PROJECTS
The Improvement Scholars Program fosters faculty development in improvement science. IHQI provides mentoring and project management support to faculty leading projects that:

- result in sustained improvement
- align with UNC Health Care System improvement goals
- increase improvement capacity

Projects are selected annually through a competitive proposal review process.

SCHOLARSHIP
IHQI promotes sharing results. Presenting and publishing results of clinical improvement:

- contributes to the body of knowledge about how to improve care and outcomes for patients
- increases the rigor with which we conduct improvement activities
- builds UNC’s reputation as a leader in healthcare quality improvement

EDUCATION
Physician Engagement in Quality & Safety is a six-hour, case-based course for UNC School of Medicine students, residents, and faculty.

IHQI’s Quality & Safety Fellowship is an intensive clinical improvement leadership mentoring program for fellows and faculty.

Physician Leadership in Quality & Safety is a Scholarly Concentration for fourth-year medical students.

MOC
UNC physicians can earn Maintenance of Certification credit by participating in improvement activities approved by IHQI’s NC MOC Program.

APPROACH
IHQI’s approach to clinical improvement incorporates:

- Lean and Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Quality Improvement
- Teamwork (TeamSTEPPSTM)
- Partnering with Patients and Families
- Project Management
- High- and Low-Fidelity Simulation
- Statistical Process Control