



High Value Quality Improvement Dissemination

This document details avenues to disseminate high value care or quality improvement projects/ ideas/cases.

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Journals

1. Academic Medicine

This journal focuses on medical education, health policy, and clinical practice in academic settings and can be a focus for educational research projects.

Submission instructions can be found [here](#).

2. American Journal of Medical Quality

This journal focuses on local and national quality improvements. [Here](#) is an example of a local project to reduce catheter associated urinary tract infections recently published in the [journal](#).

3. The American Journal of Medicine: Advancing high value health care

Series in AJM with the advantage of great flexibility in structuring the format.

Formal instructions [here](#) and [here](#). Here is a recently published article about performing [CBC's vs CBC's with differentials](#).

4. Annals of Internal Medicine

This is a high-impact journal that has a high value care [topic series](#), which includes original research articles, public policy perspectives, and opinion pieces. Article types are listed on the [Annals homepage](#).

5. BMJ Quality and Safety

Excellent journal with several [possible sections](#) to submit manuscripts to.

6. Health care- The Journal of Delivery Science and Innovation

[This quarterly journal](#) publishes work related to health care innovation, including QI research and care redesign

7. The International Journal for Quality in Health Care

This [journal](#) focuses on quality improvement and quality of care in an international setting, publishing both local improvement initiatives and international quality studies.

8. JAMA Internal Medicine: Less is More

Original research articles, research letters, or opinion pieces can be submitted to JAMA Internal Medicine's *Less is More* series, which aims to highlight how overuse of medical care can waste resources. The series can be found [here](#).

9. JAMA Internal Medicine: Teachable Moments

We see overuse/ underuse every day and getting a publication in a high-impact journal never hurts. These are short (800 word, 5 references, 3 authors maximum) write-ups describing a real case 'Story from the front lines' (approximately 200 words) with a discussion following. Patient consent is required. This series is specifically for trainees to publish (first author must be a



trainee) so is a great opportunity! See here for formal [instructions](#). Per their website, "Our series aims to educate clinicians about the harms of over and underuse of care in everyday practice. Given this, we prefer more common cases rather than "case reports" of very rare conditions." The [Choosing Wisely recommendations](#) are a great place for ideas.

[Example 1](#)

[Example 2](#)

10. JAMA Performance Improvement

JAMA launched [this series](#) in 2016 and less than 10 articles have been published. It is an approximately 1500 word article describing a real case (patient and hospital consent needed) where error occurred with a root cause analysis and steps to correct the errors. A pre-submission inquiry is needed; can run ideas by Dr. Livingston, Deputy Editor, JAMA at edward.livingston@jamanetwork.org. Since these need a pre-submission inquiry, formal instructions on the JAMA website are lacking but a fair idea of their needs can be assessed by reading a couple of their previous cases.

[Example 1](#)

[Example 2](#)

11. The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Safety

This [monthly journal](#) focuses on development and implementation of innovations in quality and patient safety, including project reports, case studies, and research studies. [Example](#)

12. Journal for Healthcare Quality

The [Journal for Healthcare Quality](#) covers topics in cost reduction, innovation, quality improvement, and patient safety. [Example](#)

13. Journal of Graduate Medical Education

[Journal](#) publishes research studies and initiatives in graduate medical education. A recent [example](#) discussing implementing high value care curricula.

14. Journal of Hospital Medicine: Choosing Wisely® Things We Do For No Reason

These are also relatively short articles (1500 words, 150-word abstract, 1 table, 15 references) that describe practices (tests, procedures, management strategies) that may be poorly supported by evidence or which have become part of standard practice based despite the availability of less expensive or higher value alternatives. These articles need a pre-submission inquiry so email the Managing Editor at jhospitalmedicine@jjeditorial.com with a 500-word proposal of the topic. Formal instructions [here](#).

As an [example](#), the article starts with a case scenario (eg- patient presenting with melena, FOBT +) followed the evidence (or lack of it) of using FOBT in acute GI bleeds, alternatives to it and its limited correct application in cancer screening.



15. Quality Management in Health Care

Quality improvement journal focusing on methodology in health care and application of quality science to patient care. [Here](#) is a call for manuscripts

Web Based Platforms

16. Costs of Care: Creating Value Challenge

Costs of Care, in partnership with the ABIM foundation holds an annual 'challenge' where one can submit innovative ideas and projects for teaching and implementing high value care among collaborative teams of clinicians, educators, quality improvement specialists, and health system administrators. From their [website](#), 'Health care professionals from any discipline and level of training are invited to submit short abstracts that either describe a project they have already implemented or an idea for a project they believe could have promise in delivering better care at a lower cost.' Entries for this should open soon.

17. Costs of Care: Annual Story Contest

Costs of Care has launched a "[Story Contest](#)" to illuminate the importance of cost-awareness in healthcare. Everyone with a firsthand experience with the healthcare system has noticed both challenges and opportunities to make care safer and more affordable. Costs of Care is inviting patients and families, clinicians, students, and administrators to share their real-life stories. Over the years, Costs of Care has collected over 500 real stories, many of which have been featured in the major media and have been used by leading healthcare organizations such as the Institute of Medicine.

18. NEJM Catalyst

NEJM Catalyst articles, case studies, video talks, and events are organized around key themes impacting health care today — patient engagement, care redesign, the new marketplace, and leadership. They welcome original, instructive content that demonstrates innovative ideas and solutions for improving health care.

[Instructions here.](#)



Conferences

19. **Architecture of High Value Health Care National Conference**

HVPAA and the American Hospital Association will host the [conference](#) on November 15-17, Baltimore, 2019. Abstract competition, round table discussions, and high value bootcamp workshops.

20. **Hospital Medicine 2020 (HM20), April 15-18, San Diego**

[Society of Hospital Medicine \(SHM\)](#) holds this conference with a Scientific Abstract and Poster Competition, known as Research, Innovations, and Clinical Vignettes (RIV). Special trainee awards/ scholarships available. Deadline to submit is the first week of December, 2019

21. **Academic Internal Medicine Week.** Sponsored by the Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine <https://www.im.org/meetings/past-meetings/aimw-2019>

22. **State ACP meeting**

Each ACP regional abstract competitions now has a HVC section. Please check out your state ACP website.

[Example](#)

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement has an excellent review of where to submit quality improvement on their [website](#)