



Fostering & Nurturing a Culture of Quality in Home Visiting



Missouri Virtual Learning Opportunity #1

August 17, 2020

Agreements for Our Time Together

- ☑ Remain **available-to-be-on-mic**. You can mute while others are speaking/presenting, but be ready to participate.
- ☑ Remain **on-camera** as you are able.
- ☑ Avoid **distractions** as you are able.
- ☑ Feel free to **raise your hand** in Zoom using feature in participant list or on camera.
- ☑ Have the **chat** open and use it as needed.
- ☑ Have **fun!**

Welcome and Introductions



Define

Quality Improvement and
Culture of Quality

Discuss

Foundational elements of
a Culture of Quality

Explore

How to assess the current
Culture of Quality

Engage
and Learn

Together!



Our Time Together



What is Culture of Quality?

When you hear 'culture of quality' what are 3 words that come to mind?



"Quality is the result of a carefully constructed cultural environment. It has to be the fabric of the organization, not part of the fabric. If quality isn't ingrained in the organization, it will never happen."

- Philip Crosby

QI in Our Terms

“QI is the use of a **deliberate and defined improvement process**, such as **Plan-Do-Study-Act**, which is focused on activities that are responsive to community needs and improving population health. It refers to a **continuous and ongoing effort to achieve measurable improvements** in the efficiency, effectiveness, performance, accountability, outcomes, and other indicators of quality in services or processes which achieve equity and improve the health of the community.”

*Bialek, R., Beitsch, L. M., Cofsky, A., Corso, L., Moran, J., Riley, W., & Russo, P. (2009).
Proceedings from Accreditation Coalition Workgroup: Quality Improvement in Public Health.*

A culture of quality is...

realized when all employees use quality improvement methods and tools on an every day basis to better serve their customers.

-W. Edwards Deming

QUALITY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.



Foundational Elements of a Culture of Quality

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Teamwork and Collaboration

Leadership Commitment

Customer Focus (internal and external)

Quality Improvement Infrastructure

Staff Empowerment

Continuous Quality Improvement

Staff Empowerment

Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Achieving a culture of quality requires involvement from all staff○ All staff consider how work can be continuously improved○ QI becomes a frame of mind	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Clear expectations○ Feedback systems○ Support in developing knowledge, skills, and abilities○ Authority to make decisions and act

Staff Empowerment

Ideas for Growth

- Create clear expectations
- Recognize individual and team performance
- Foster a culture of open and honest feedback among staff and expect staff to engage
- Develop staff through mentorship, training, etc.
- Assess and identify gaps for the program on a regular basis to inform improvement planning
- Ensure all staff have and use a basic set of improvement skills on a regular basis

Teamwork and Collaboration

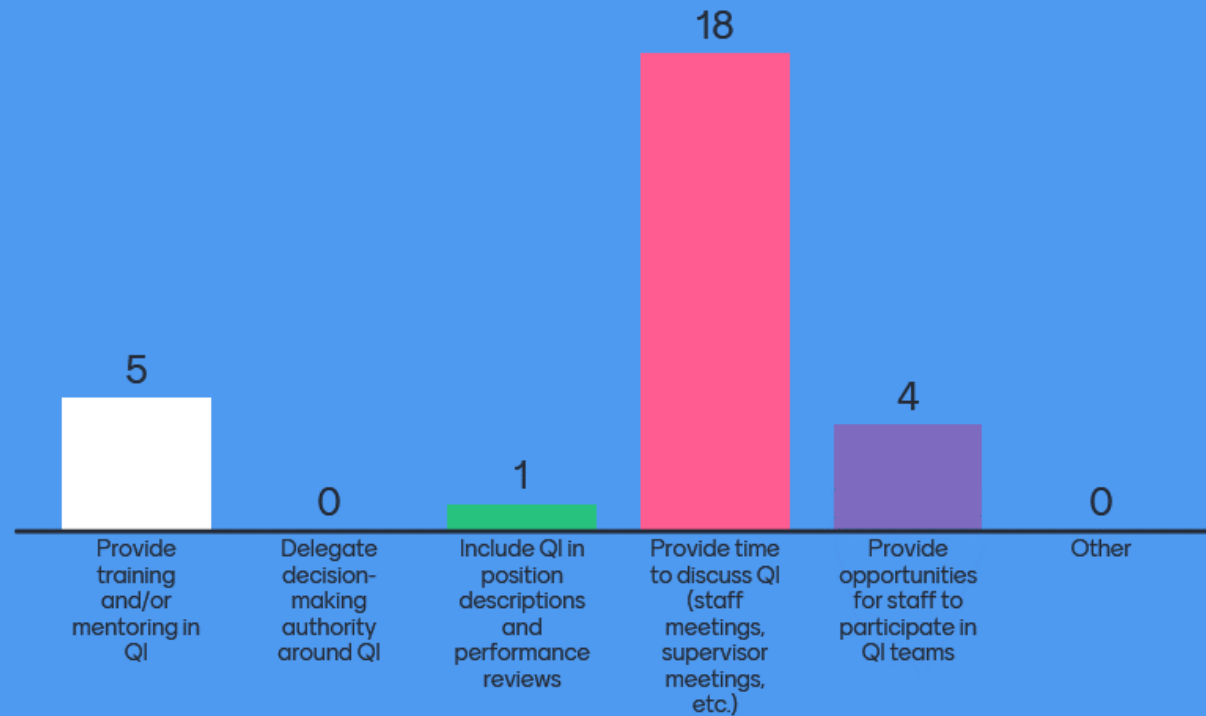
Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ All staff bring different perspectives to the table○ Processes cannot be improved without engagement of all who are involved in the process○ Communication and sharing is key	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Opportunities for staff to learn and collaborate○ Teams solve problems, conduct QI projects, and share lessons learned○ Teams have clear goals, roles, and responsibilities○ Use the skills and knowledge of all team members

Teamwork and Collaboration:

Ideas for Growth

- Identify methods for sharing and collaborating (tools)
- Provide staff with opportunities to share and collaborate
- Sponsor improvement projects
- Include knowledge sharing in position descriptions
- Ensure all staff understand and hold themselves accountable to performance and program values around improvement and collaboration

What has your program done to empower staff to engage in quality improvement?



Leadership Commitment

Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Without support from leaders (managers/ coordinators, supervisors) a culture of quality cannot flourish	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Leadership articulates and shares a clear vision for QILeadership dedicates financial and human resources to QI activitiesOngoing, open communication on progressSupport, support, support!

Leadership Commitment:

Ideas for Growth

- Communicate importance of QI, its benefits, and staff expectations
- Set the expectation that all program staff participate in improvement activities
- Establish mentoring structure to develop new QI leaders/champions
- Foster a data based, non-judgmental culture
- Empower staff to make change, influence others, express creativity, develop, and grow
- Continue to expand QI methods and skill training opportunities



Break

Customer Focus

Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Customer focus is a core tenet of quality○ Customers (internal and external) are vital to the success of a program/ organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Deep understanding of customers and their needs○ Services offered are based on the needs of the customer○ Customer satisfaction is assessed on a regular basis and used to drive improvement efforts○ Goal is to meet and exceed customer expectations

Customer Focus:

Ideas for Growth

- Build process(es) for customer feedback into regular program activities – identify satisfaction data to collect
- Use customer data to improve processes and program offerings to support emerging needs
- Involve internal and external customers in improvement activities
- Share data and improvement efforts (currently occurring and lessons learned from concluded) with customers



Engaging Families



Feedback and customer satisfaction



Participation in QI efforts



Ongoing Partnership in building a QI Culture

Engaging Families

How will we actively and meaningfully engage families?

How will families be invited to participate?

What role will they play?

How will their engagement be supported?



Keep in Mind

- Offer family members an orientation to the process and the group before the first meeting.
- Consider the role culture plays in creating connection or disengagement.
- Families with young children are sometimes unable to participate in meetings because they do not have child care or transportation available.
- Consider the date, time, and location of meetings that include family members.
- Being mindful about psychological safety during and throughout the meeting process is critical to authentic engagement.



Discussion

- What have you done engage parents/families in your QI work?
- What challenges have you experienced? How have you overcome them?

Quality Improvement Infrastructure

Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Needed to ensure every level of performance is aligned with program/ organizational strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Strategic plan sets the direction for the program/ organization○ Performance management system speaks to program/ organizational strategies, goals, and objectives○ Quality Improvement plan that guides QI structures and activities within the program/ organization

Quality Improvement Infrastructure:

Ideas for Growth

- Develop performance measures
- Ensure all staff understand performance measures
- Collect and analyze data on an ongoing basis
- Use performance data to drive improvement efforts
- Develop and annual program improvement plan

Continuous Process Improvement

Why it's important	Key Components:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ QI is not a stand alone task, rather a way all work is approached within the program/ organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Selection and use of a QI method○ Formal QI projects are chartered on an ongoing basis○ Staff use QI methods and tools on an every day basis to solve every day problems

Continuous Process Improvement:

Ideas for Growth

- Develop and document standardized processes/ procedures
- Train staff on standardized processes/ procedures and ensure access to the documentation
- All staff have training in QI method program will use
- All staff have training in QI tools to support process improvement
- All staff have the authority to fully engage in improvement work
- Create space for learnings to be shared across teams and with others who have a vested interest (partners, referrals sources, etc.)



Check-In




Assessing Your Culture of Quality

**Where to go
Next:**


Assess your
Culture to
Identify which
Element(s) to
Focus on



Staff Empowerment

Foundational Element and Characteristics	Stoplight Rating	Notes
<p><u>Staff Empowerment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff expectations related to QI are clearly defined (e.g. performance goals and standards, QI project participation). • Staff are supported in developing the necessary knowledge, skills, and abilities to fully engage in improvement efforts. • Staff have the authority to make decisions that improve processes (staff have the appropriate level of autonomy to move improvement work forward). • Staff have opportunities to improve work processes (e.g. participate in QI projects). • Processes are followed to provide staff feedback on job performance (e.g. supervision meetings, performance evaluations/reviews). • Staff are recognized for contributions and successes to the program. 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is not present (red) <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is somewhat present (yellow) <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is fully present (green) 	

Leadership Commitment

Foundational Element and Characteristics	Stoplight Rating	Notes
<p><u>Leadership</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaders and managers fully embrace quality • Leaders regularly communicate the program's QI vision and goals to staff. • Leaders use information and data in a non-punitive way to review program performance with staff. • Leaders encourage staff to engage in QI opportunities to improve work. • Leaders use change management concepts and strategies to integrate quality into the program's culture. • Leaders address resistance and other barriers to sustaining a culture of quality (e.g. extra work). • Leaders ensure resources are in place to support quality work. 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is not present (red) <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is somewhat present (yellow) <input type="checkbox"/> Foundational element is fully present (green) 	

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How do you think your program will benefit most from using the assessment tool?

- 1st Establishing a baseline of your current culture of quality
- 2nd Identifying strengths and weaknesses in your culture of quality
- 3rd Having a communication tool about your culture of quality
- 4th Having an outline to guide activities to build a culture of quality
- 5th Other



“Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives. ”

- William A Foster

For more ideas on fostering and nurturing a culture of quality...

<http://qiroadmap.org/the-phases-of-a-culture-of-quality/>

Next Learning Opportunity:
August 19th @10am

Thank you!

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