

Improve Immunization Rates in Your Agency

Did you know that you can improve your Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Quality of Patient Care Star Ratings by improving immunization rates for influenza and pneumonia among your patients?

Immunization rates for influenza and pneumonia are two measures that your agency is currently reporting in your OASIS data set. These are factors used to determine your home health agency's CMS Quality of Patient Care Star Rating. Star ratings may be used by consumers looking for home health care and clinicians referring their patients to home health agencies in order to receive the best care in their area. TMF Health Quality Institute, the Medicare Quality Innovation Network-Quality Improvement Organization for your state, is currently under contract with CMS for a project focused on improving immunization rates. Our focus for this project is to improve immunization rates for influenza and pneumonia in older adults. We are available to provide your home health agency with free educational resources, tools and technical assistance to improve immunization rates among your patients.

Contact Us

If you are interested in participating in the TMF QIN-QIO's Improving Immunizations project, enter your contact information in our [online intake form](#) and one of our staff will contact you. If you have questions, contact either of the following:

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Join the Immunization Network

Visit the TMF QIN-QIO website and locate the Immunizations Network, under the Networks tab, to learn more about this initiative and how you and members of your community can get involved: www.TMFQIN.org. Additionally, visit the Home Health Quality Improvement website to learn about additional resources available to assist your home health agency: www.homehealthquality.org.



Thousands of Americans are hospitalized and even die each year due to **vaccine-preventable diseases.**



Flu leads to more than **200,000 hospitalizations** and **36,000 deaths** each year.

Almost **1 out of 3** people in the United States **will develop shingles** in their lifetime.



About **1 million** US adults get pneumococcal pneumonia every year.

In its worst form, pneumococcal disease **kills 1 in every 4-5 adults ages 65+.**



Join the Immunizations Network

Work with industry experts, peers and other stakeholders to improve immunization rates for Medicare beneficiaries.