

ASQ NEWS

Baldrige Healthcare Winners Reveal Best Practices

In this free, three-part webinar series, Dr. Kathleen Goonan, Joseph Muzikowski, and Patricia Stoltz, authors of the recently published *Journey to Excellence: How Baldrige Health Care Leaders Succeed*, discuss Baldrige best practices in healthcare with three key leaders of the Poudre Valley Health System, recipient of the 2008 MBNQA in Healthcare. For more information on the webinars, read the news release.

WANTED: Healthcare Success Stories on Patient Safety and Quality Outcomes

ASQ is co-sponsoring a case study with the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) to share quality and patient safety improvement success stories. HIMSS is currently looking for real-world success stories that have demonstrated improved patient safety, quality, effectiveness, and efficiency. Submissions are due by November 16. [Read the news release.](#)

ANAB Vice-President Selected to Run International Accreditation Forum

Randy A. Dougherty, vice president of the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (ANAB) in Milwaukee, Wis., has been selected to chair the International Accreditation Forum (IAF), which functions as a global police force for third-party certificates to the world's best known quality and environmental standards. He is expected to win easy affirmation at the IAF's General Assembly meeting October 20. Dougherty would be the first U.S. expert chosen to lead the IAF in more than a decade. [Click here to read the news article.](#)

Last Chance to Register for NQEC!

Teachers and education leaders have until October 19 to register for the 17th [National Quality Education Conference \(NQEC\)](#), October 25-27 at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, Jacksonville, Fla. Participants can learn innovative strategies and skills used by nationally recognized districts by taking part in more than 40 in-depth sessions and five half-day workshops featuring education practitioners and experts in six major tracks.