

Promotional: QAPI for Healthcare Staff

You **MUST print this for Continuing Education purposes and keep with your certificate of completion.

Requirements:

For successful completion of this educational activity and receipt of 0.5 contact hour(s), the learner must:

1. Participate in 30 minutes of continuous learning.
2. Complete a quiz with a minimum score of 85%.
3. Complete an evaluation form.

Educational activity description:

Quality Assurance Performance Improvement (QAPI) is a regulated program for nursing homes that is designed to create greater satisfaction among staff, individuals, and families. This educational activity provides an introduction to the QAPI program and ways staff can participate.

Target audience:

The target audience for this educational activity is all staff in a long-term care setting. This is an intermediate level educational activity. Information is geared to practitioners with a general working knowledge of current practice trends and literature related to the subject matter. The focus is on increasing understanding and competent application of the subject matter.

Readability/Reading Level:

The readability/reading level of this course is 11th-12th grade.

Learning outcome:

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will be able to demonstrate knowledge about QAPI by passing a quiz with 85% or greater accuracy.

Learning objectives:

At the completion of this educational activity, the learner will be able to:

1. Identify two (2) ways healthcare staff can participate in quality assurance and performance improvement (QAPI) efforts.
2. List two (2) common tools used by performance improvement project (PIP) teams.
3. Select two (2) benefits of a quality assurance and performance improvement (QAPI) program.

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