# **Engaging Senior Leadership** in Your QI Work



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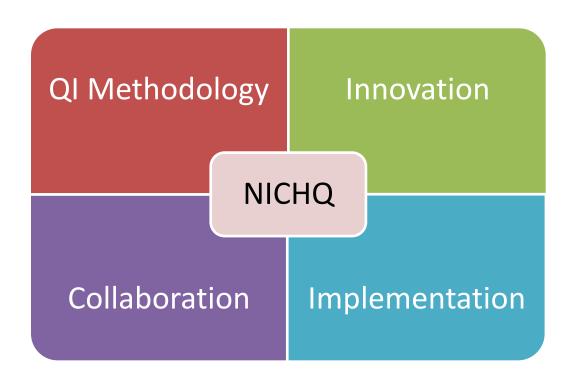
#### Meet NICHQ

- We are a catalyst for improvement.
- Our mission is to improve children's health.
- We help professionals and organizations who share our mission make dramatic system-level improvements so children and families live healthier lives.



#### NICHQ Adds Value

NICHQ brings a unique set of "how to" skills and capacities to solve problems and catalyze improvement.





#### Where We Target Our Efforts





#### Focused on Three Critical Goals

- Give children a strong start.
- Ensure the healthcare system addresses the needs of and offers quality care for all children and families.

Improve healthy living practices, policies and conditions.

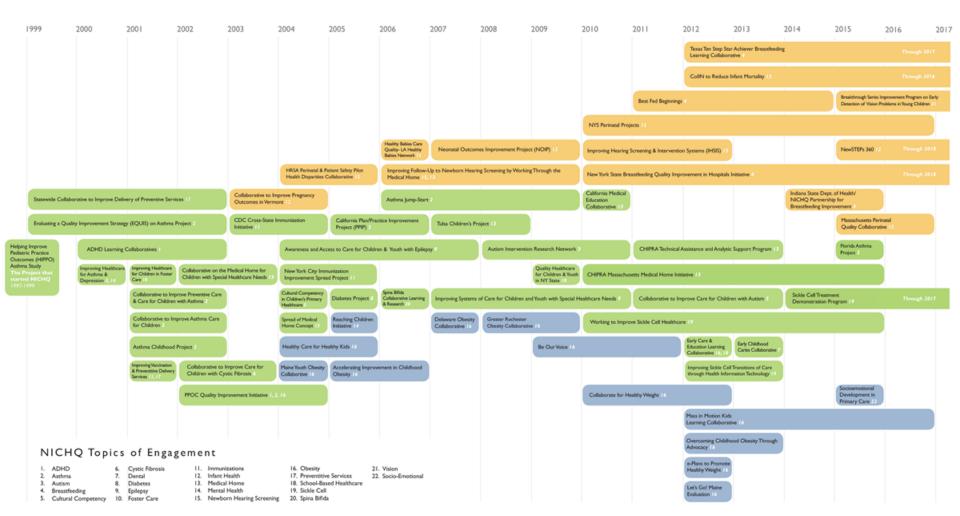




#### **NICHQ TIMELINE (1999-2016)**

### STRONG START Supporting healthy beginnings QUALITY CARE Improving systems of care HEALTHY LIVING Bridging health and healthcare

#### OUR PATH TO IMPROVING CHILDREN'S HEALTH



#### Our Strategies Yield Results

218,000

More infants delivered each year at Baby-Friendly designated hospitals

20,000

More children receiving wellness assessments each year in Massachusetts

4.79

Average medical home index score for teams after participating in NICHQ's collaborative

135%

Improvement in sickle cell patients getting care from a hematologist in the past year

65%

Improvement in babies rooming in with mothers in Northern Texas hospitals

76%

Increase in percentage of patients with sickle cell disease given a speedy pain assessment

95%

Of children with confirmed hearing loss referred for early intervention

232,000

Individuals exposed to a healthy weight message in their community

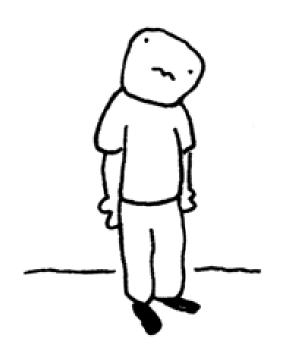
80%

Reduction in mothers given any formula materials in NY hospitals



# 10 Strategies for Engaging Leaders in Your QI Work

#### The Challenge



when asked "would you rather work for change, or just complain?" 81% of the respondents replied, "Do i have to pick? This is hard."



#### Setting the Stage: Types of Leaders



- Administrative
- Improvement Project
- Frontline

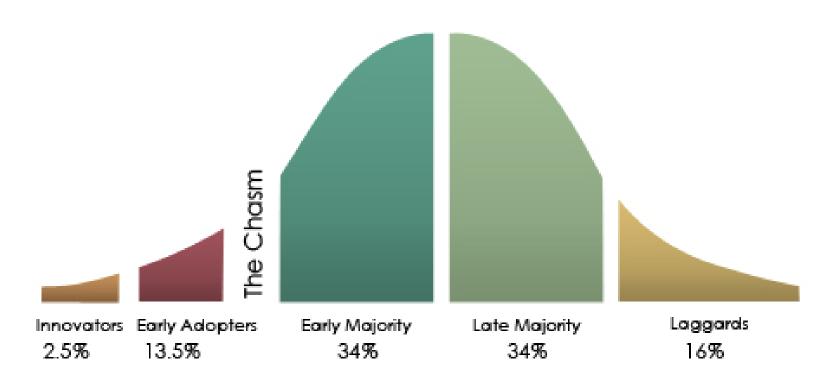


# 1a. Understand Your Leader's Personality



Take a Quiz To Determine Your Style: http://www.nfty.org/\_kd/Items/actions.cfm?action=Show&item\_id=12954&destination=ShowItem\_

# 1b. Understand Your Leader's Innovation



Trying to convince the mass of a new idea is useless.



### 2. Create Your Vision



- Establish a clear, ambitious vision
- Tell people about it
- Begin with the end in mind



#### 3. Alian Your Aim with



- High quality customer experience
- Employee recruitment/retention
- Bottom line



#### Showcase: Meeting the Bottom Line

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We are already known for being the only hospital in our city that consistently offers the skin-to-skin experience for our mothers who deliver by cesarean section. Women who have a choice choose us because we offer these types of experiences. It's a boost to our reputation.

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#### 4. Use Evidence to Make Your

- Show you've done your homework.
- Show that your initiative has a high probability for success.





#### 5. Use Other Voices to Build

- Senior leaders
- Crossdisciplinary team
- Front-line staff
- Patients and families





#### 6. Use Patient Stories to

## SICKLE CELL PAIN PROTOCOL REDUCES WAIT TIMES FOR MEDS AND EASES PATIENT FRUSTRATION

Posted February 13, 2015 by Rachel Kremen

When kids with <u>sickle cell disease</u> come to an emergency room (ER) asking for painkillers, the care can sometimes be less than ideal. In a busy ER, there can be long wait times, and, especially with an illness like sickle cell disease that has no visual signs of pain, doctors sometimes question whether a patient is really in a medical crisis or just drug seeking.

"It's a horrible feeling when the one person that is supposed to make you feel better doesn't believe you are in pain," says Fatima Oyeku, who has had sickle cell disease all her life. "They ask the most annoying questions in order to figure out if I'm merely there for the pain killers."

Oyeku says she has had countless experiences with hospital staff who question her need for meds, delay

treatment or dole out the lowest possible dose until bloodwork comes back proving that she is in crises. The pain, she says, is "excruciating" and makes the wait for pain killers unbearable. Treating a crisis quickly is also important because it minimizes damage to internal organs.



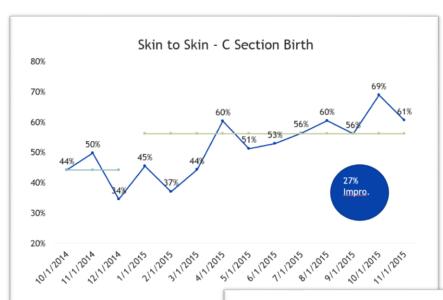


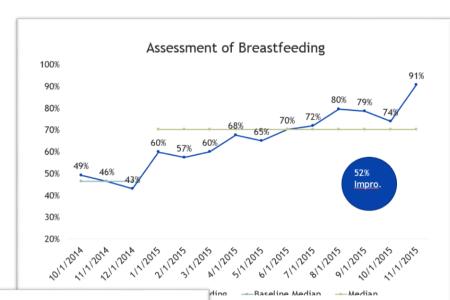
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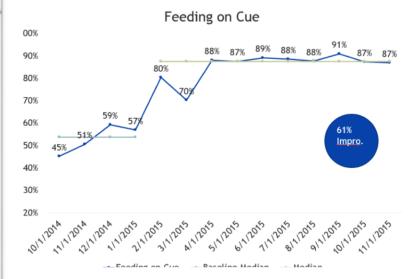


#### 8. Use Data to Build Will





Data from the NICHQ-led New York State Breastfeeding Quality Improvement in Hospital's Initiative





### 9. Communicate to Create a



- The vision
- Institutional alignment
- Why this, why now?



#### 10. Create Opportunities

- Quick wins
- Honest appreciation
- Maintain visibility
- Share credit with leaders





### Meeting You Where You Are

Needs	NICHQ Solutions
Data collection and management	 CoLab, a state-of-the-art web portal to track, share data and collaborate.
Strategic quality improvement initiative support and TA	 Assessment and strategic planning consulting
Leadership or support for implementing QI projects	 Project execution and technical assistance support
Capacity building for quality improvement	 Tailored training services customized to your organization
Tools for collaboration and spread	 Customized online communities and e-modules



### **Three Key Takeaways**

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#### 3 Takeaways for Daily QI Leadership

- Multiply Yourself
- Tell good stories
- Keep QI simple



#### **Multiply Yourself**

- QI is a team sport
- Multiply QI leaders to multiply your success



#### **Multiply Yourself**

- Invest in others
- Model daily use of QI tools
- Make training resources available

#### Tell good stories

- Use stories to be heard
- Practice makes perfect
- Include internal & external customers

#### Resources

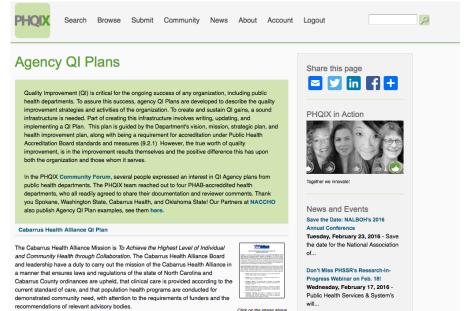
- National Coordinating Center for Public Health Training – facilitated by the National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)
- PHQIX Submission "Impact statements"

#### Keep QI simple

- Communicate clear expectations
- Resources should be easy to find
- People should know who to ask if help is needed

#### Resources

Learn how others "keep it simple" by checking out sample QI plans at PHQIX.org



#### PHQIX Supports QI Leadership Efforts

- QI Spotlight article: The Role and Necessity of Quality Leaders in Public Health
- Community Forum
- QI Resources

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