



National Voluntary Consensus Standards for Patient Outcomes Biliary/Gastrointestinal Technical Advisory Panel

Dr. David A. Johnson, MD, FACP, FACG, FASGE (Chair)

Past President- American College of Gastroenterology

Dr. David A Johnson is Professor of Medicine and Chief of Gastroenterology at Eastern Va School of Medicine. He has published extensively in the internal medicine/gastroenterology literature contributing over 350 articles/chapters/ abstracts in peer-reviewed journals. He is has been extensively involved in committees of the national GI societies and is the Past President of the American College of Gastroenterology and remains on the executive committee for the ACG Board of Trustees as well as the ACG Research Institute. His primary research interests are esophageal reflux disease and colon cancer screening. He was the physician who worked with Senator Emily Couric to put through the historic first legislation to mandate colon cancer screening with colonoscopy as the preferred standard. This initiative first in VA, has set the model for other states who have followed.

Dr. John I. Allen, MD, MBA, AGAP, FACG

Medical Director of Quality- Minnesota Gastroenterology

A graduate of Rice University, Dr. Allen attended medical school at the University of New Mexico. He completed his internship, residency and gastroenterology training at the University of Minnesota. He earned an MBA with a focus in Medical Group Management. In 1991 Dr. Allen joined Minnesota Gastroenterology where he is currently the Medical Director for Quality. As Chair of the Board of the Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement he helped develop statewide measures for colonoscopy and colon cancer prevention with Minnesota Community Measurement. He developed a large practice registry for endoscopic outcomes and has published extensively on quality measurement in community practice gastroenterology, including the first "Outcomes Booklet" for a community-based GI practice. He has spoken nationally about physician performance measures, public accountability and quality improvement.

Dr. Karen Hall, MD, PhD

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Karen E. Hall received her MD and PhD from the University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. She completed her Internal medicine and Gastroenterology Fellowships at the University of Toronto, following which she came to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI on a Medical Council of Canada Centennial Fellowship as a Visiting Scholar in the Departments of Neurology and Internal Medicine. She completed a Fellowship in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Michigan and is currently a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Dr. Dick Johannes, MD, MS

Vice President for Clinical Research- CareFusion

Dr. Richard Johannes is Vice President for Clinical Research at CareFusion. The group has published extensively on clinically based risk adjustment outcome metrics for use in comparative hospital performance reporting. More recently, the group has focused on the epidemiology and economics of hospital acquired infections. His education includes a B.A. in Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1968, an M.D. in Medicine from The Johns Hopkins University in 1972 as well as an M.S. in Computer Science from The Johns Hopkins University in 1986. He completed his internship and residency training at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and completed fellowships at both Johns Hopkins and the National Institutes of Health, concluding his medical training as Chief Medical Resident at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Dr. Johannes also maintains an appointment in gastroenterology at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School. He was an advisor to Former President Jimmy Carter and the Carter Foundation on gastrointestinal epidemiology. He was Co-chairman of the Data Acquisition subcommittee of the Patients and Professionals Committee to the Institute of Medicine Project on Electronic Patient Records. He has served on several National Quality Forum committees related to public reporting of health outcomes and is the current Cardinal Health representative to the NQF. He is on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Health Data Organizations.

Dr. Brian C. Jacobson, MD, MPH

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Brian C. Jacobson, MD, MPH is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Associate Director of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Services at Boston University Medical Center. He earned his medical degree from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York and trained in both internal medicine and gastroenterology at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. He earned a Master's Degree in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health and is an NIH-funded investigator studying risk factors for gastroesophageal reflux and its complications. He currently serves as Chair of the Health and Public Policy Committee of the American Society for Gastroenterology.

Dr. Rocco Ricciardi, MD, MPH

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Rocco Ricciardi is a staff surgeon at Lahey Clinic and Assistant Professor of Surgery at the Tufts University. He has an interest in translational research with a particular emphasis on surgical quality of care, focusing on disparities in surgical care and population-based studies evaluating surgical outcomes. He is completing a career development award examining quality of colorectal surgical care in the general population and maintains a research interest in benign gastrointestinal diseases such as diverticulitis, C. difficile, and biliary diseases. Dr. Ricciardi is the principal investigator in a study examining the role of health care facilities in propagating hospital-acquired infections.