Dear Members:

The Illinois Academy of Family Physicians is joining with Telligen, Illinois' Medicare Quality Innovation Network - Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO), to help you be successful in meeting the ever changing and growing reporting requirements for payment and incentive programs. Telligen has been selected by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to provide QIN-QIO services to the Illinois Medicare and Medicare-Medicaid beneficiaries, health care providers, and communities.  Telligen provides technical and supportive services at no charge for cardiac disease management, immunizations, and diabetes monitoring and management.

For the **cardiac disease managemen**t, Telligen will work with you in conjunction with the Million Hearts® campaign to reduce cardiovascular disease using the evidence-based measures of: (1) Aspirin, (2) Blood Pressure, (3) Cholesterol and (4) Smoking Cessation.  For **immunization**, Telligen will provide support and technical assistance on reporting of seasonal flu and pneumonia immunizations and guidance on local immunization resources for community residents if immunizations are not available in your practice.  For **diabetes,** Telligen will provide guidance and support on reporting of measurements for diabetes and even provide free education for your patients on diabetes self-management.  And if you are interested, they will train one or more of your staff and certify them to provide diabetes self- management education classes to be offered by your practice.

Telligen’s supportive services are available at no charge to you and your staff and include:

·       Submitting and monitoring cardiac, diabetes and immunization PQRS measures (same as for Meaningful Use).

·       Analyzing monthly/quarterly reports to determine areas for process improvement.

·       Developing a process improvement plan to improve your quality measures.

·       Informing your office of proposed changes to CMS rules (i.e., PQRS, Meaningful Use of eCQMS, Value-based Payment Modifier) so you remain informed and ahead of the curve.

·       Providing you with tools and additional evidence-based resources; live and recorded subject-relevant, targeted webinars, available at any time for you and your staff.

·       Sharing best practices with other providers across the state.

Telligen has long been a supporter of the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians and our members.

We encourage you to participate in these programs that will make your practice successful and improve

the health and well-being of your patients.

To take advantage of these wonderful opportunities at no cost to you or your practice, please contact Anna Astalas at [anna.astalas@area-d.hcqis.org](mailto:anna.astalas@area-d.hcqis.org) or 630-928-5832 to sign up today or click [here](http://www.telligenqinqio.com/sites/default/files/documents/initiatives/participation_agreements/QINQIO_PA_Cardiac_IL_Physicians.pdf) to complete and submit the participation agreement.

Sincerely,

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