

Partners For Kids Quality Improvement Coaching Program

Helping primary care providers achieve best patient outcomes
with on-site support from Partners For Kids

The Partners For Kids (PFK) **Quality Improvement (QI) Coaching Program** assists primary care providers in achieving best outcomes for patients by focusing on key issues that affect children's health. This program has helped more than 230,000 patients in community practices throughout central and southeastern Ohio, since its inception in 2014.

A Partners For Kids quality team member works on-site to share QI tools and resources, while also reviewing and implementing processes for success. In turn, the community providers and practice teams build QI capacity by meeting regularly to share ideas for change and testing those changes. Participation is also encouraged to engage in a diverse network where learning, best practices and challenges are shared.

The PFK QI Coaching Program focuses on the following projects:

Preventive Care Portfolio	
Healthy Children	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase compliance for well care visits:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ ≥ 6 well visits by 15 months of age○ ≥ 2 additional well visits between 15 and 30 months of age○ Annual well visits for children and adolescents• Immunization schedule adherence for children turning 2 and 13 years old• Lead screening adherence for children turning 2 years old
Oral Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase fluoride varnish application in a primary care setting for children ages 1-4.
Reproductive Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contraception prescribing among 14-18 year old females• Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) screening for adolescents• Ensuring at least one HIV screening is complete between 15-18 years of age
Disease Management Portfolio	
Asthma	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduce asthma-related Emergency Department (ED) visits and hospitalizations• Asthma management, with potential areas of focus on:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Administration of an Asthma Control Test (ACT) at every office visit○ Create and update asthma action plans annually○ Leverage an Asthma Dashboard within the PFK Provider Portal that summarizes pharmacy and medical claims data
Behavioral Health Portfolio	
Depression	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Universal screening of adolescents for depression• Initial and ongoing management within primary care of adolescent patients diagnosed with depression• Use of a safety resource/plan developed specifically for primary care for all patients with increased risk for suicide

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