



## **PQA 2014-15 Ambassador's Program Launch: August 19, 2014**

PQA will be launching this year's PQA Ambassador Program concurrent with the PQA Academic Affairs Committee initial call on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm EDT. PQA Ambassadors serve as "quality champions" at each school of pharmacy, acting as a resource for student pharmacists and faculty interested in quality improvement, performance measurement, and the transformation of the US healthcare system to a value-based system. Each PQA Ambassador magnifies existing or develops new relationships within nearby pharmacy schools to promote the inclusion of quality within the school's educational and practice-based curriculum. This call will focus on ways that PQA Ambassadors can engage with both students and faculty.

### **Program Objectives**

- To increase awareness of pharmacy quality landscape within schools of pharmacy.
- To educate faculty and students on quality measurement and performance measurement.
- To share ways to work with other healthcare partners, and align improvement efforts with the National Quality Strategy.

### **Role of Ambassadors**

Ambassadors are leaders in the promotion of knowledge in quality measurement, public reporting of performance measures. Ambassadors add to the existing curriculum by educating pharmacists, pharmacy faculty and students around quality measures and medication management quality.

## **Eligibility**

- School of Pharmacy faculty
- Current PQA members who would like to spread the mission of PQA into schools of pharmacy including employees of PQA member organizations who have a relationship with a school of pharmacy.

## **Qualifications**

Ambassadors should express interest in or be involved in pharmacy quality and quality measurement —be it pharmacy through their individual involvement, PQA, employers, etc. They should express a desire to share their knowledge with students and faculty on quality measurement. Ambassadors should also be available for quarterly conference calls with PQA and other ambassadors to share their current involvement within their school/college of pharmacy and learn about PQA's current and ongoing efforts.

## **Contact**

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