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#### **Save the Date**

Please note: While the information below is a list of planned programs for 2014, at this time not all programs can be accessed online for registration.

Oct. 21	Improving Surgical Safety and Patient Outcomes
Nov. 10	Statewide Perinatal Safety Collaborative – Fall Learning Session
Nov. 11	A Call to Action: Advance Care Planning Provider Summit
Nov. 19	2015 Joint Commission Hospital Accreditation Update
Nov. 20	Patient and Family Engagement across the Continuum and Across Cultures in N.J.
Dec. 1	Honoring our Military: Caring for Those Who Have Served

### Click here to register.

## NJHA Launches Online Resources on Ebola, Enterovirus

NJHA expanded its online public health resources with two new pages dedicated to **Ebola** and **enterovirus.** 

The "Public Health Issues" pages can be found under the Quality & Safety section of the NJHA Web site. The new pages join existing resources on <u>seasonal influenza</u>.

The new pages provide links to the CDC and the N.J. Department of Health, including resources such as guidance documents, preparedness checklists, fact sheets and communication tools.

# **HHS Releases Annual National Quality Strategy Progress Report**

HHS has released the 2014 Annual Progress Report on the National Strategy for Quality Improvement in Health Care. The National Quality Strategy is an initiative led by AHRQ on behalf of HHS.

Highlights from this year's **progress report** include:

- Priorities in Action: The Priorities in Action series captures the vision and motivation of organizations that have put the Strategy's aims and priorities into practice and attained tangible results.
- Federal and State Quality Improvement Efforts: Federal and state governments are using the National Quality Strategy as a framework for developing their own quality improvement strategies.
- Measurement Updates: In 2014, National Quality Strategy stakeholders responded to the need to coordinate and align currently used measures by pursuing measure harmonization and alignment efforts that include the HHS Measurement Policy Council and private multi-stakeholder initiatives such as "Buying Value."

For more information about the National Quality Strategy, visit the <u>Working for Quality</u> Web site. To learn more about how your organization can put the strategy's priorities into action, download the National Quality Strategy <u>stakeholder toolkit</u>.

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