

Call for Quality Improvement Proposals

EZMSA is the formal voice of advocacy for all Edmonton Zone's medical staff. The association represents the interests of its members practicing within the Zone and advocates on their behalf on all health system related issues.

EZMSA is pleased to announce a one-time availability of **EZMSA - Quality Improvement Grant 2016** for quality improvement initiatives in healthcare. Physicians working in teams to improve quality of care, continuity of care and promoting stewardship in healthcare are welcome to submit proposals emphasizing on areas of improvement in their spheres of practice.

Areas of Focus

The areas of focus are integrated processes of care between general practitioners and specialists to enhance continuity of care and/or address needs of vulnerable populations in primary care.

Who Qualifies

Practicing physicians in the Edmonton Zone. Medical residents can apply with physicians as supervisors.

Amount of Award

A total grant fund of \$400,000 is available for distribution to successful applicants. 10-15 projects will be awarded a one-time grant of up to a maximum of \$40,000 for a year-long project.

Review Process

The EZMSA QI grant review committee will assess all project proposals. The proposals will be evaluated on quality indicators including acceptability, accessibility, appropriateness, effectiveness, efficiency, safety and stewardship in healthcare. More information on *Health Quality Council of Alberta's (HQCA)* Dimensions of Quality may be found in the document – *Information Sheet* under Dimensions of Quality.

Supports Available

Links to general information on completing a QI project, project proposal (charter), guidelines and more may be found in the document – <u>Information Sheet</u> under More Information.

You may also seek support in the following areas

Area/ Department	Contact	Email
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Submission

Submit your <u>Quality Improvement Project Proposal</u> document outlining project goals, objectives, evaluation plan, anticipated outcomes and budget justification to **Laurie.Wear@covenanthealth.ca**

Deadline

All project proposals should be submitted to by

December 2nd, 2016 by 4:00 pm (MST)

- Successful applicants will be notified by January 31st 2017.
- Funds will be made available by the first week of February 2017.

Please visit our website http://albertazmsa.com/ezmsa/ for more information.

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