

Achieving Equitable Health Outcomes in Nebraska, Session 1: Implementing Quality Improvement to Meet the Joint Commission's Requirements for Health Equity

Key Takeaways:

- Effective July 1, 2023, The Joint Commission’s Standard LD.04.03.08, which addresses health care disparities as a quality and safety priority, will be elevated to a National Patient Safety Goal for ambulatory health care organizations, behavioral health care and human services organizations, critical access hospitals, and hospitals. This goal includes 6 elements of performance to increase the focus on improving health care equity as a quality and safety priority.
- The Achieving Equitable Health Outcomes in Nebraska program will focus on applying QI tools to improve health equity in alignment with new Joint Commission requirements.
- Program content is directly applicable to meeting the Joint Commission’s requirements through quality improvement projects focused on improving health equity and cultural sensitivity.
- Program sessions will discuss how executives, health equity leads, and front-line staff can contribute to quality improvement projects to promote health equity.

Further Reading:

Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goal	<i>R3 Report Issue 38: National Patient Safety Goal to Improve Health Care Equity.</i> The Joint Commission Website. https://www.jointcommission.org/standards/r3-report/r3-report-issue-38-national-patient-safety-goal-to-improve-health-care-equity/
	<i>National Patient Safety Goal to Improve Health Care Equity.</i> R3 Report: Requirement, Rationale, Reference. A complimentary publication of The Joint Commission. Issue 38, December 20, 2022. https://www.jointcommission.org/-/media/tjc/documents/standards/r3-reports/r3_npsg-16.pdf
Achieving Equitable Health Outcomes in Nebraska Program	<i>Achieving Equitable Health Outcomes in Nebraska Program Homepage.</i> University of Nebraska Medical Center Website. https://www.unmc.edu/intmed/divisions/id/echo/health-equity/phase2.html
	<i>Achieving Equitable Health Outcomes in Nebraska Program Online Registration Form.</i> University of Nebraska Medical Center Website. https://redcap.nebraskamed.com/surveys/?s=9D448KMYJTF4JXA4