Quality Improvement in Health Care

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Students electing this seminar will complete 1-2 hours of pre seminar web based instruction in the basics of healthcare quality improvement. Students will then be assigned to one or more hospital systems, statewide Quality Improvement Organization, or 3rd party payor quality improvement activities for one or 2 half days, dependent on scheduling and personnel availability. Activities in these organizations may include participation in working QI meetings, discussions with QI personnel, or other activities deemed appropriate for student learning in quality improvement at the time of the site visit.

Objectives:
After completion of the Quality Improvement Seminar, students will be able to:
1. Define key terms in healthcare quality.
2. Describe the process of healthcare quality improvement.
3. Participate in either a hospital system quality improvement, Quality Improvement Organization, or 3rd party payor working quality improvement site visit.