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Aloha Members,

QCIPN is pleased to announce that Winnie Suen, MD, MSc, AGSF, has accepted the position of chief medical officer for QCIPN. Dr. Suen will begin 75 percent with QCIPN on June 1, 2017, and continue 25 percent of her time as a long-term care hospitalist for The Queen's Medical Center, Punahou. We believe Dr. Suen's experience, professional vision, and personal commitment will guide QCIPN through the next phase of serving members. Please read below for her full introduction.



You'll get a chance to meet Dr. Suen at our next Town Hall Meeting. It is scheduled for June 7, 2017. Please join us in person to discuss the future of QCIPN and the structure for Year 4 when our initial HMSA contract comes to an end in July.

We'd like to note that Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG), an Arizona-based Medicare Quality Improvement Organization, has been awarded the CMS contract to assist Hawaii's small practices with MIPS. HSAG is funded and directed by CMS to assist you so please look into what they have to offer. More details below.

Finally, as this is my last newsletter message to you, I'd like to thank you for your partnership and friendship over the last three years as we worked together to serve Hawaii's people. Hawaii is a special place for me and my family, and I'll always hold The Queen's mission and the progress we've made together as a valuable part of my life and work. I'm especially grateful to those physicians who took a leap of faith into the QCIPN journey and committed your time and leadership to turn our goals into reality.

Aloha a hui hou,

Anna

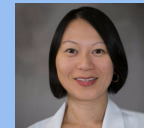
June 7, 2017, Q4 Town Hall Meeting

Queen's Conference Auditorium or via Live Feed/WebEx
Registration and dinner 4:30 p.m. Presentation 5:00 - 6:30 PM.

Agenda:

- Future direction for QCIPN and Year 4 Structure
 - MACRA Update
 - Plans for a Medicare Shared Savings Program (Medicare ACO)
- To RSVP for live feed at Queen's West, email cbarsatan@queens.org
WebEx
- <https://qcipn.webex.com/jcqp/onstage/g.php?MTID=e76d180f9b773b5d00abdcb97a93507>
- Topic: QCIPN Town Hall Meeting, Y3 Q4
- Event number: 994 890 361 Password: 0607
- Audio conference information US toll: 1-415-655-0002 Access code: 994 890 361

**Introducing Winnie Suen, MD, MSc, AGSF,
New QCIPN Chief Medical Officer**



Raised in Hawaii and a graduate of Punahou School, Dr. Winnie Suen earned a bachelor's degree from Yale College and a master's of science in health services and a master's of science in healthcare emergency management from Boston University's School of Public Health. She received her medical degree from the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine and completed an internal medicine residency at Boston Medical Center's Primary Care Training Program. To round out her formal education, she completed a geriatrics fellowship at Boston Medical Center; the Harvard Palliative Care Program fellowship at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute/Massachusetts General Hospital; and an associate fellowship at the University of Arizona's Center for Integrative Medicine.

Dr. Suen's extensive experience includes successful clinical and academic achievements as a physician, leader, researcher, lecturer, and author. Prior to returning to Hawaii, Dr. Suen worked with Inova Fairfax Hospital in Virginia. There, she served as chief of geriatrics in the Department of Medicine and medical director of geriatrics for the Inova Health System. She worked with Inova's clinically integrated network and team to develop services for their Medicare Shared Savings Program and for the joint, heart failure, and PCI bundled payment programs.

She moved home to be closer to family and is grateful for the opportunity to contribute to caring for patients in the place she grew up and attended medical school. Dr. Suen looks forward to her new role and stated, "Coordination and collaboration is essential for the current and future healthcare environment. I look forward to continuing the QCIPN journey to develop population health models of care that better serve patients."

Dr. Suen wants to meet and hear from members about how to best address their needs. Her goal is to organize the network in a way to offer support in many different formats. With this support, she wants to give providers an opportunity to spend more time doing the work they were trained for and love to do.

What's New Online www.queenscipn.org

Webinar (worth 10 points) Evaluation of Acute Chest Pain: Evidence Based Algorithm and the Role of Coronary CT Angiography by Dr. Mahdi Veillet Chowdhury, recorded May 30, 2017
[Go to www.queenscipn.org](http://www.queenscipn.org)

Dates You Need to Know

QCIPN Year 3, Quarter 3
Q3 appeals period: May 23 - June 2, 2017

QCIPN Year 3, Quarter 4
May 1 - July 31, 2017
Q4 attestation deadline: August 18, 2017
Q4 appeals period: August 22 - September 1, 2017

Assistance for MIPS Now Available

Based in Arizona, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization, *Health Services Advisory Group* (HSAG), was awarded the CMS contract to assist Hawaii's small practices with MIPS (Merit Based Incentive Payment System). Small practice is defined as fewer than 15 eligible clinicians. They do not have staff here in Hawaii, but offer MIPS support through webinars, web-site content, and telephone and email access for questions or specific assistance. There is no cost for their services as they are paid by CMS to support your small practice. You can contact them at 1-844-472-4227 or via email at HSAGAQPSSupport@hsag.com or through their website: www.hsag.com/QIP.

For practices with more than 15 eligible clinicians, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization for Hawaii, *Mountain-Pacific Quality Health*, was contracted by CMS to provide support. Mountain-Pacific does have staff located in Hawaii and is hosting multiple offerings to support local practices. To contact them, call (808) 440-6007 or email melson@mpqh.org.

Please take advantage of the CMS directed and funded support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Keely Kalamalakey at klakey@queens.org.

Endocrine Issues in the Elderly (DM, Thyroid, Osteoporosis, Hypogonadism), a Geriatric Care ECHO Clinic Series Webinar

Wednesday, June 14, 2017, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
To connect online, go to <http://echo.zoom.us/j/6336975870>
To join by phone only: (not toll free) 1-646-558-8656 or 1-408-638-0968
Participant ID: Shown after joining the meeting
Meeting ID: 633 697 5870
If you plan to attend and did not register yet, [please register here](#). CME provided upon request.