

# Quality Improvement Committee

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# Premier Quality Improvement Committee Charter

## September 2010

*“Through the collaborative power of the Premier alliance, we will lead the transformation to high quality, cost-effective healthcare”.* (Premier alliance vision)

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Premier Quality Improvement Committee is to provide strategic insight to the alliance to enable realization of the vision. The committee provides input to Premier’s strategic priorities and public policy positions in quality and safety improvement. It guides the definition of specific initiatives designed to leverage alliance collaboration in pursuit of quality improvement and supports the role of Premier as an industry leader in defining the standards that measure performance improvement. The committee serves as an advisor to the Premier Board of Directors in the areas of quality and safety improvement.

### **Scope of Work**

The Committee work will include, but not be limited to the following:

- Advise and support legislative and regulatory policy positions related to quality and safety improvement;
- Advise and support Premier to aid member efforts in physician engagement in quality and safety improvement;
- Advise and support Premier’s corporate strategic initiatives and goal related to quality and safety improvements
- Advise and support Premier’s research priorities in methodology, measurement and comparative effectiveness
- Advise and support Premier’s development and use of information technology in performance improvement (quality, safety, efficiency).
- Work in collaboration with Premier and industry organizations such as NQF, AHRQ, AHA, IHI, etc.

### **Inputs**

The committee receives input from Premier staff, the Premier Board of Directors, stockholders and other members.

### **Communication**

The committee provides regular reports to the Premier Board of Directors and communicates as necessary with the appropriate member chief executive officer concerning adherence to the Policies.

### **Membership**

Committee members and its Chair are appointed by the Board of Directors of Premier.

### **Quorum**



A simple majority of the total voting committee membership must be in attendance at a meeting or on the telephone for any vote to occur.

**Evaluation**

The Committee will receive feedback from the self-assessment process of the Premier Board of Directors.