

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Holiday Sale on All NAHQ Publications and Logo Merchandise!

Don't miss the 20%-off sale on all NAHQ educational publications and logo merchandise from November 17 to December 31, 2008. Whether you're looking for books, CDs, DVDs, or logo items, take advantage of these special rates at the NAHQ Online Store, www.nahq.org. NAHQ flash drives, lunch bags, and yoga mats also make great holiday or giveaway prizes for any healthcare quality professional! All orders will be shipped via United Parcel Service. If you would like to place a rush order, please call the NAHQ customer service center, 800/966-9392 (U.S. only) or 847/375-4720. Customer service representatives are available Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm Central Time.

Note: Other discount offers may not be used during the Holiday Sale.

Call for Nominations

NAHQ is looking for tomorrow's leaders--we're looking for you! Nominations will be accepted until January 16, 2009. For board nomination and position descriptions, [click here](#). Please note that the presidency is a 3-year position and that all other board positions are held for 2 years. For more information, contact Heidi Benson, nominating team chair, at heidi.benson@lpnt.net or Cassidy Follins at cfollins@nahq.org.

NAHQ Fellowship Program

The NAHQ Fellowship Program was developed by the Healthcare Quality Foundation (HQF) both to recognize NAHQ members who have made outstanding contributions to the field of healthcare quality and to serve as a blueprint for an ideal career path in the healthcare quality profession. NAHQ strongly urges all members to review the NAHQ Fellowship application before making a decision to apply. Applicants will need to declare their intent to apply for fellowship to the Fellowship Review Board chair by January 30, 2009. Visit www.nahq.org/awards/fellow.htm to obtain more information and to download the fellowship application. The new NAHQ Fellow in 2008 is Lecia A. Albright, CPHQ, LARA Consulting LLC, Spotsylvania, VA.

***JHQ*: Call for Papers on Obstetric Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety**

Journal for Healthcare Quality (JHQ) editorial board member Pamela K. Scarrow, manager of quality improvement and patient safety at the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in Washington, DC, is seeking submissions for a special issue of *JHQ* on obstetric healthcare quality and patient safety. Manuscripts for the issue, planned for publication in September/October 2009, should be submitted by January 16, 2009. See the [Call for Papers](#) for more information. Contact Pam Scarrow, special issue editor, at 202/863-2538 or e-mail pscarrow@acog.org.

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Preparing Nurses for Quality Management

Lenard L. Parisi, MA RN CPHQ FNAHQ, reports in *Nursing Spectrum* on how the nursing shortage has not only resulted in a dramatic shortage of registered nurses at the front line of care but also left healthcare organizations struggling to find professionals to perform quality management (QM) activities. He discusses how the Metropolitan Quality Management Program Leadership team (on which he serves) developed an innovative initiative to educate and prepare nurses for QM roles. Parisi is vice president, quality management, at Metropolitan Jewish Health System, Brooklyn, NY; NAHQ director of member services; and vice-chair of the Joint Commission Homecare Professional and Technical Advisory Committee. To read the full article, go to <http://include.nurse.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20081103/NY01/111030085>.