

# VA Heart Failure Network

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# Outline

- Announcements (10 mins)
- Open discussion regarding the new Heart Failure Performance (Transformational) Measure and how facilities can improve

# Announcements

- Rapid Response Projects
  - Deadline May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Should address the CHF QUERI strategic plan (check the website)
  - Submit directly to VACO-QUERI Office
  - Details to follow in an Email

# Announcements

- SharePoint Site
  - On the Updated CHF QUERI website
    - <http://www.queri.research.va.gov/chf/>
  - Opportunity for posting bulletin board commentary and documents.

# Announcements

- Heart Failure Care Organization Survey
  - Goal: to better understand how HF care is organized and how the team members work (or don't work) together.

# Reducing Heart Failure Readmissions

- Possible facility collaborative with a focus on heart failure
- Ideas and/or innovative practices at member's facility to reduce readmission and increase early follow up
- Related facilitators and barriers, and strategies to manage them
- Successful strategies for implementation of quality improvement projects
- Strategies to involve local and clinical leadership for improvements in HF care
- Good ideas that didn't work