



ImproveCareNow

CIRCLE Highlight

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Welcome! Your GI clinic is part of the ImproveCareNow Network, a collaborative community where clinicians, researchers, patients and parents are empowered to learn and continuously improve to bring about more reliable, proactive IBD care for healthier children & youth. **Our mission is to transform the health, care and costs for all children and adolescents with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis by building a sustainable collaborative chronic care network that works to improve outcomes for kids with IBD.**

Learn more about ImproveCareNow, connect & find resources at improvecarenow.org



New Resource! PAC Insurance Toolkit

We are excited to share the new Insurance Toolkit with you. This patient-led resource was co-produced by members of the Patient Advisory Council with input from the ImproveCareNow community, and is great for families and for young people navigating their health care for the first time.

In this free booklet you will find:

- ☔ answers to questions about health insurance plan types and categories
- ☔ common insurance-related scenarios, such as how to navigate pre-authorizations or an appeal process
- ☔ a glossary of commonly used terms
- ☔ and much more!

If you've ever had any questions about how insurance works, this is a great resource to check out 💚💙

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ImproveCareNow Announces Improvement in Remission & Sustained Remission Measures for Kids Living with IBD

ImproveCareNow (ICN) is committed to improving clinical outcomes measures for pediatric patients with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis (also known as inflammatory bowel disease or IBD) cared for in our network. To monitor our progress, we consistently track measures for young patients with IBD cared for at ICN centers. We are thrilled to report a shift in our clinical remission measure from 82.1% to 83.27%. **This improvement means that approximately 300 additional ICN patients have achieved clinical remission.** 💚💙

Dive into more details about how ImproveCareNow is helping kids living with IBD in this News Post.

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This milestone is worth celebrating, and it also reinforces what is possible when we work together as a learning network. I look forward to continuing this momentum as we build on these gains and push toward even better outcomes for all children in our care.

#ImproveCareNow #InTheNews

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"We've learned that when we share openly about IBD, we can end stigma and isolation." - Chris K

"Please consider becoming an active participant - the first step is to sign up!" - Jill H

Put in your time and energy on behalf of someone else. No effort is too small, because everything we do in ImproveCareNow is magnified by the efforts of thousands of other improvers, and together we bring about a better quality of life for many. **Here are some actions you can take, or invite others to take:**



Help Us Grow Our CIRCLE

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Connect with a welcoming & supportive community, and receive IBD resources, community stories, and ImproveCareNow updates & opportunities. You don't have to do life with IBD alone.

Join the Patient Advisory Council

improvecarenow.org/patients

Pediatric patients with IBD (14+) are invited to join the PAC. Together, the PAC is a voice for all patients who receive care at an ImproveCareNow Center.

Join the Parent/Family Advisory Council

improvecarenow.org/connecting-parents

Caregivers of children with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are invited to join the PFAC!

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Thanks for being an improver!



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