



## ImproveCareNow Spring 2026 Live Online Community Conference



### EDUCATIONAL GAP

Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) affects 80,000+ children and adolescents in the United States. Healthcare teams providing care to these children and adolescents need access to and training on quality improvement (QI) tools and methods. This enables them to reduce unintended variation in care and improve clinical processes and outcomes. They also need direct contact with parents and patients to share ideas on how best to create meaningful partnerships. Improved QI, research, and community engagement skills give these interdisciplinary teams the opportunity to standardize care, improve clinical processes and patient outcomes.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026

10:00AM ET 9:00AM CT 8:00AM MT 7:00AM PT	Welcome
12:00PM ET 11:00AM CT 10:00AM MT 9:00AM PT	Meal Break and Lunch & Learn session
4:55PM ET 3:55PM CT 2:55PM MT 1:55PM PT	Adjourn

### OBJECTIVES



Acquire best practices demonstrated through ImproveCareNow quality improvement, research, clinical practice, community engagement, and leadership skills to accelerate improvement in outcomes.



Integrate approaches that strengthen multidisciplinary partnerships to deliver whole-person care, by showcasing the strengths, skills, and voices of patients, caregivers, and care teams.



Develop workflow strategies that optimize data management, team communication, and care coordination to boost operational efficiency and enhance clinical experience.

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Eastern Time

10:00-10:15 am	<b>Welcome, Orientation and Logistics*</b> Kendra Wiegand
10:15-10:45 am	<b>State of the Network</b> Becky Johnson Rescola, Peter Margolis, Shehzad Saeed
10:45-11:45 am	<b>Impact at Every Level: Inside ICN's Pathway to Mastery Learning Labs</b> Tiffany Linville, Julie Massie, Elizabeth McDermott, Jon Moses, Sharon Perry, Kim Shelly, Kendra Wiegand
11:50-12:00 pm	<b>Patient Ignite Talk</b> Justin Hwang
12:00-12:50 pm	<b>Lunch*</b>
12:10-12:40 pm	◆ ♥ <b>Lunch &amp; Learn with Crohn's &amp; Colitis Foundation</b> <b>Empowering Families through the Journey: Connecting with the Crohn's &amp; Colitis Foundation</b> Catherine Soto, Mary Esna-Ashari
12:50-1:50 pm	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION BLOCK 1</b>
Clinical	<b>From Montreal via Paris to Florence: Classifying IBD</b> Anne Griffiths Moderator: Hilary Michel
Data	<b>CTRL + ALT + Streamline: Efficiencies to Make Your IBD Data Workflows Click</b> Ulka Kothari, Tiffany Linville, Kim Shelly, Ryan Waduge, Sharon Williams
Psychosocial	◆ ♥ <b>Leaning into Discomfort and Fostering Clinical Skills to Address Weight Stigma in Pediatric IBD</b> Jennie David-Rodgers, Jen Dotson, Autumn Erwin, Venus Kalami, Rebecca Wallace Ryan
1:50-2:00 pm	<b>Break/Transition*</b>
2:00-3:00 pm	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION BLOCK 2</b>
Clinical/Research	◆ ♥ <b>Deciding Together: Shared Decision-Making (SDM) Fundamentals and Frontline Perspectives</b> Jennie David-Rodgers, Maria Lester, Ellen Lipstein, Kelly Sandberg Facilitator: Mallory Moor
Engagement/ Psychosocial	◆ ♥ <b>Major Life Change: Adjusting to College with IBD</b> Jahnavi Anand, Heidi Frederick, Elizabeth McDermott, Jaclyn Quinlan, Amanda Vispo
Quality Improvement/ Data	<b>200 Days and Beyond: Sustaining Timely Care for Pediatric IBD Patients</b> Sage Hannon, Alden Randall, Jillian Sullivan
3:00-3:10 pm	<b>Break/Transition*</b>
3:10-4:10 pm	◆ ♥ <b>Richard B. Colletti Clinical Plenary: The State of IBD Research 2026</b> Alan Moss Facilitator: Hilary Michel
4:10-4:20 pm	<b>Looking Ahead: Announcements, Updates, and Next Steps</b> Kendra Wiegand
4:20-4:50 pm	◆ <b>Making the Case: Communicating Network Value with Impact</b> Missy Ketchum, Dan O'Connell, Ahsan Rizvi Facilitator: Becky Johnson Rescola
4:55 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>

\* Education Credit Not Available

◆ Eligible for Psychology CE Credit ♥ Eligible for Social Work CE Credit