Benefits of Joint Commission Certification

Improves the quality of patient care by reducing variation in clinical processes – The Joint Commission’s standards and emphasis on clinical practice guidelines help organizations establish a consistent approach to care, reducing the risk of error.

Provides a framework for program structure and management – Certification standards help organize the management of the program. This helps to maintain a consistently high level of quality, using effective data-driven performance improvement.

Provides an objective assessment of clinical excellence – Joint Commission reviewers have significant experience evaluating disease-specific programs. They are trained to provide expert advice and education on good practices during the on-site review.

Creates a loyal, cohesive clinical team – Certification provides an opportunity for staff to develop their skills and knowledge. Achieving certification provides the clinical team with common goals and a concrete validation of their combined efforts.

Promotes a culture of excellence across the organization – Consistent alignment with Joint Commission standards promotes an environment of continuous improvement in the care of patients.

Facilitates marketing, contracting and reimbursement – Certification may provide an advantage in a competitive health care marketplace and improve the ability to secure new business.

Strengthens community confidence in the quality and safety of care, treatment, and services – Achieving and displaying The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® makes a strong statement to the community about an organization’s commitment to providing the highest quality services.

Can fulfill regulatory requirements in select states – Certification may meet certain regulatory requirements in some states, which can reduce duplication on the part of certified organizations.

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