



THE HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT FOUNDATION
Building Partnerships For Better Health Care

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Kate Flynn was appointed President of HCIF in 2007. In this role, Kate leads healthcare initiatives aimed at improving the safety, outcomes and care experiences of patients and consumers impacted by HCIF's programs across Pennsylvania. She expanded the Partnership for Patient Care, supported jointly by Independence Blue Cross and the hospitals of the greater Philadelphia area, to represent HCIF's signature initiative to promote the high-reliability approach to safety culture improvement. Kate previously served as Vice President, Performance Improvement at VHA East Coast, where she led regional projects in clinical and operational improvement for VHA member organizations throughout New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. Prior experience includes 12 years in executive positions at several teaching and community hospitals. Kate is a graduate of Brown University and earned an MBA degree from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. She is a Fellow and former Regent of the American College of Healthcare Executives. Past recognitions include the ACHE Regent's Senior Executive Award, the Administrative Achievement Award of the Healthcare Leadership Network of the Delaware Valley, and the Alumni Achievement Award of the Wharton Health Care Alumni Association. She was one of the founders of HealthShare Exchange of Southeastern Pennsylvania (the local HIE) and serves on the board of the Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health.