



Medical Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment

Dear Colleagues,

MOLST Quality Forums were held in Rochester and Syracuse this month. Attendees were provided updates on EMS quality data, MOLST implementation and QI Audits.

EMS QI results in both Pilot counties have shown EMS can successfully utilize MOLST without untoward problems.

Unanimous support of local **REMAC** and **REMSCO** organizations was affirmed by **SEMAC** and **SEMSCO** in December.

The updates included:

- Overview of implementation efforts
- Comparison of serial facility chart review QI results
- Discussion of current status of MOLST implementation
- Review of EMS quality data
- Description of education & training efforts, tools and resources, including, www.compassionandsupport.org
- Recognition of “best practices” for enhancing MOLST quality
- Outlining “Next Steps” for state wide expansion of MOLST

Analysis of preliminary results of quality audits show

- improvement in accuracy of form completion
- an increase in presence of health care proxies.

The 2008 quality agenda was reviewed:

- Review/Renew section of MOLST
- Issues of capacity and consent (Supplemental form completion)
- Additional treatment directives

View these and additional results:

- QI Audits for *Onondaga County*
http://www.compassionandsupport.org/pdfs/news/OC_MOLST_Qaity_Forum_QI_Presentation.FINAL.ppt
- QI Audits for *Monroe County*
http://www.compassionandsupport.org/pdfs/news/MC_MOLST_Qaity_Forum_QI_Presentation.FINAL.ppt

- Update on MOLST Implementation Across NYS
<http://www.compassionandsupport.org/pdfs/news/MOLST-Quality-Forums-0108-HANDOUT.ppt>
- Next Steps for Statewide Expansion
<http://www.compassionandsupport.org/pdfs/news/MOLST-Quality-Forums-0108-Next-Steps-HANDOUT.ppt>

QI Audit Surveys are still being collected. If a facility needs new forms or has questions, please contact us at <http://www.compassionandsupport.org/index.php/contact>.

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