The UW Medicine Center for Scholarship in Patient Care Quality and Safety (the Center) delivers exceptional trainings, project support, and large-scale innovations that enhance the quality, safety, and value of care delivered to patients at UW Medicine.

UW Medicine clinicians and researchers have the insights to enhance the quality, safety, and value of patient care. The Center integrates these operational, academic, and interprofessional perspectives as we collaborate with providers, researchers, educators, specialists, and trainees. The Center's expertise and resources help UW Medicine identify and adopt safe, high-quality, high-value practices in care. We also excel at identifying innovative approaches to enhance the efficiency of care delivery.

THE CENTER’S MISSION IS THREEFOLD

Workforce/Professional Development
We impact UW Medicine workforce development so that every provider knows fundamental quality and safety principles and has the resources to take an innovative project idea to a disseminated improvement project.

Project Support
Our lens of scholarship and health system sciences supports the design, implementation, and dissemination of quality, safety, and value projects.

Innovation
We make fundamental contributions to health system science and consistently apply and support dissemination of best practices as a learning organization.

THE CENTER LEADS ACTIVITIES IN EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP SUCH AS:

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
• Certificate Program in Patient Safety and Quality
• Quality improvement bootcamps
• Introductory training in quality improvement and patient safety for frontline providers
• Quality, safety, and value support for physician scientists

PROJECT SUPPORT
• Mentorship and experiential training for improvement projects
• Center Scholars Program
• Patient Safety Innovations Program, providing pilot funding for internal projects
• Academic research coaching

INNOVATION
• UW Medicine Value & System Science Lab (VSSL)
• Large-scale research projects and grants
• UW Medicine-based Open Notes program
• Dissemination of learnings both nationally in high-impact journals and locally within UW Medicine