The leading learning health system for children in the nation—transforming care, health and costs for all children and youth with Crohn’s disease and ulcerative colitis.
ImproveCareNow

- Has raised the remission rate for kids with IBD from 55% to 82%, without new medications.
- Provides tools and support that centers use to deliver more reliable, proactive care.
- Encourages open sharing of ideas, techniques, tools, knowledge and innovations across the Network.
- Believes when patients and parents are true partners, we can get even better outcomes.
- Invites you to learn more & join our community at improvecarenow.org

How We Work

ImproveCareNow centers collect standardized data during all clinic visits, monitor individual and overall performance, compare outcomes, and share the best evidence and tools for helping IBD patients get better faster, and stay well longer.

Applying an “all teach, all learn” collaborative approach to medicine, allows new ideas and best practices to be identified and introduced into the care delivery process much faster—improving care for our patients now.

About*

The Network
- 111 Centers—including 9 of 10 honor roll Children’s Hospitals and 44 of the top 50 in GI/GI Surgery**
- 39 States + District of Columbia, England, Qatar & Belgium
- 950 pediatric gastroenterologists
- 30,000 pediatric patients with IBD
- improvecarenow.org/care-centers

In the beginning ImproveCareNow involved only clinicians and their care centers. With funding from a National Institutes of Health Transformative Research grant (c3nproject.org), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Enhanced Registry program, and Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute, ImproveCareNow has continued to develop social, scientific, and technical infrastructures necessary to transition from a quality improvement collaborative into a disease-specific learning health system.

Our Success
- Remission rate from 55% to 82% since 2007
- Model IBD Care: Guidelines for Consistent, Reliable Care
- Population Management and Pre-Visit Planning
- ICN2: the world’s largest and fastest growing pediatric IBD registry
- improvecarenow.org/purpose-success

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