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Leading the Way to Better Cardiovascular  
Health for Americans  
(CCSQ Grand Rounds Enduring Webinar)**

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### Continuing Education Credit

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## Activity Information

### Activity Description

This presentation will cover the past, present, and future of the Million Hearts initiative®, including how the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) teams are using CMS data and programs to monitor and improve cardiovascular health in the United States (U.S.).

### Target Audience

This activity is designed for physicians and other health care professionals.

### Learning Objective

By the end of this presentation, learners will be able to:

- Recognize important aspects of past, present, and future of the Million Hearts initiative®; and
- Identify key ways in which the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) teams are using CMS data and programs to monitor and improve cardiovascular health in the United States (U.S.).

### Participation

Register for the webinar, participate in the webinar, and access and complete the assessment and evaluation.

### Speaker Bios & Disclosures

No one in a position to control the content of this activity has anything to disclose. The planners/ developers of this activity have signed a disclosure statement indicating any relevant financial interests. This activity was developed without commercial support.

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**Matthew D. Ritchey, DPT, OCS, MPH**, has served as a Senior Scientist within the Epidemiology and Surveillance Branch of the Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention at the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), since 2012. Dr. Ritchey served as the CDC Chronic Disease Epidemiology Advisor from 2010 through 2012. He also served as a CDC Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer for the Indiana State Department of Health from 2008 through 2010.

Dr. Ritchey currently serves as the Lead Epidemiologist supporting the United States (U.S.) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Million Hearts® initiative, oversees the Health Services and Systems Research section within the CDC Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, and assists with ongoing National cardiovascular disease surveillance efforts. He has presented his work at National conferences and via peer-reviewed publications.

Dr. Ritchey earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree at Duke University School of Medicine and earned a Master of Public Health degree at Ohio State University.

**Darshak Sanghavi, MD**, is the Director of the Preventive and Population Health Models Group at the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI), where he oversees the development of large pilot programs aimed at improving the Nation's health care costs and quality. He recently served as the Richard Merkin fellow and a managing director of the Engelberg Center for Health Care Reform at the Brookings Institution, where he directed efforts to better engage clinicians in health care payment and delivery reform. Dr. Sanghavi served as an Associate Professor of Pediatrics and former Chief of Pediatric Cardiology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, where he was charged with clinical and research programs dedicated to children's heart defects. As an award-winning medical educator, Dr. Sanghavi has worked in medical settings around the world. He has published dozens of scientific papers on topics ranging from the molecular biology of cell death to tuberculosis transmission patterns in Peruvian slums.

Dr. Sanghavi's experience includes serving as frequent guest on NBC's Today, acting as a commentator for National Public Radio's (NPR's) All Things Considered, serving as a contributing editor to Parents magazine, and working as Slate's health care columnist. He also regularly writes about health care for the New York Times, Boston Globe, and Washington Post. His best-seller, "A Map of the Child: A Pediatrician's Tour of the Body," was named a best health book of the year by the Wall Street Journal. Dr. Sanghavi also speaks widely on medical issues at National conferences and advises Federal and State health departments. He has served as a visiting Media Fellow of the Kaiser Family Foundation and was selected as a winner of the Wharton Business Plan Competition. He previously worked for several years as a United States (U.S.) Indian Health Service Pediatrician on a Navajo reservation.

Dr. Sangahvi earned his Doctor of Medicine degree at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and completed his pediatrics residency and cardiology fellowship at Harvard Medical School and Boston Children's Hospital.

**Janet S. Wright MD, FACC**, is the Executive Director of the Million Hearts®, a United States (U.S.) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) National initiative co-led by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services (CMS) with the explicit goal to prevent 1 million heart attacks and strokes in the U.S. by 2017. Dr. Wright has served as Executive Director of Million Hearts® since its launch in 2011, working closely with co-leading agency teams at the CDC and CMS, as well as with Federal, State, and private sector partners to achieve the aim of 1 million or more fewer cardiovascular events in five years. She has helped plan and execute strategies to drive implementation of a small set of evidence-based interventions across public health, community, and healthcare settings. With team members and leadership, she is helping to analyze and articulate the progress made and opportunities remaining to improve the Nation's cardiovascular health. Her primary interests are the design and implementation of systems of care to achieve optimal outcomes for patients and the full deployment of hooks, tricks, and cues that help people get and stay healthy.

Dr. Wright served as Senior Vice President for Science and Quality at the American College of Cardiology (ACC) from 2008 through 2011. In this role, she provided medical and scientific oversight of clinical guidelines, performance measures, health policy statements, appropriate use criteria, quality improvement projects, and the National Cardiovascular Data Registry, a suite of databases containing more than 12 million patient records in both inpatient and outpatient care settings. Dr. Wright practiced cardiology for many years in Chico, California and during those years, she served on ACC's Board of Trustees and The National Committee for Quality Assurance's (NCQA's) Physician Program Committee. She also worked with the Center for Information Therapy, a non-profit organization committed to the provision of personalized health information during each health encounter.

Dr. Wright earned Doctor of Medicine degree at the University of Tennessee.

### ***Hardware/Software Requirements***

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