Colleagues and members of QTIP Practices:

We are now in our 8th year of QTIP and conducting our 16th Learning Collaborative session. Our partnership between South Carolina DHHS and the state’s pediatricians has been so successful and our success is a credit to each of you. Without your willingness to try something new, to be at the forefront of pediatric ambulatory care and the energy and insight, QTIP would never have been this successful. We appreciate your faith in joining and continuing with QTIP and helping South Carolina pediatric offices to be the best in the country.

For the third year, QTIP has challenged you to: enter data in the SC QIDA data system that helps measure our successes, work on QI projects for 3 – 6 year olds, to think about your children with special health care needs and to consider focusing on issues around smoking and mental health. Today, QTIP continues its data based efforts focused especially on:

- Working with Children ages 3-6 on well child visits, vaccinations, oral health and positive parenting
- Continuing your work either Teens, Asthmatics or Children with Complex Health Care Needs.
- Beginning a discussion on breast feeding and our role in the support of lactating mothers
- Providing MOC Part 4 credit for the pediatricians in your office
- Assisting offices with documentation for PCMH accreditation and practice transformation.

QTIP will continue to respect the other commitments on your time while working with you to develop processes that not only improve outcomes but promote practice efficiencies. By working together, we can make a better future for South Carolina children and pediatricians.

Thanks for working with us. This should be another exciting year.

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QTIP links

SC QIDA data tool  
https://qidata.aap.org/scqtip

QTIP website:  
https://msp.scdhhs.gov/qtip/

QTIP blog:  
https://msp.scdhhs.gov/chipraqtip

QTIP PDSA log (included within blog)  
https://msp.scdhhs.gov/chipraqtip/content/2016-pdsa-cycle-reporting-tool

QTIP QI meeting log (included within blog)  
https://msp.scdhhs.gov/chipraqtip/content/2016-qi-meeting-minutes