



**TxQMC**

TEXAS QUALITY MATTERS  
CONSORTIUM

# Why TxQMC?



## Costs -

### Yearly Subscription renewal:

\$1350 for VCT TxQMC members vs \$1750 for independent subscriptions with QM

\$1500 for Non-VCT TxQMC members

### Training at a lower cost:

Dedicated APPQMR training for \$75-90/participant vs \$200/participant through QM

Other training at lower costs (For example: IYOC – Improving Your Online Course)

Free QM Coordinator Training for a college's point-of-contact for QM

Free webinars on various QM-related subjects including implementation plans & strategies

### Formal Course Reviews:

Formal course review for \$550-725 vs \$1000 through QM

### Collaboration:

TxQMC members and others throughout QM

Peer Reviewers

# Some Examples of Training:



QMCT – QM Coordinator Training: Free, self-paced course for individuals who will act as a liaison between faculty & QM. An institution’s primary point of contact will learn about the Quality Matters program and how it can support your quality assurance initiatives, how to manage course reviews, and how to locate QM resources.

APPQMR – Applying the Quality Matters Rubric: QM's flagship workshop on the QM Rubric and its use in reviewing the design of online and blended courses. Prerequisite for continuing training to become a Peer Reviewer. \$75-90 in a dedicated training, \$200 for members through QM, \$300 for non-members.

IYOC - The “Improving Your Online Course” workshop explores the QM Rubric and provides a framework to improve the quality of online courses. Participants use the QM Rubric to review their own courses and develop a course improvement plan. \$75-90 in a dedicated training, \$150 for members through QM, \$200 for non-members.

# Course Review:



Official Reviews & Course Certifications: Using the QM Rubric and relevant review tools as a guide, a team of QM-trained, experienced online instructors can evaluate the design of your online or blended course and ensure it meets QM Standards. A course can become QM-Certified once it meets QM Rubric Standards at the 85% threshold or better and meets all essential standards. Institutions then can display and advertise the QM Certification Mark.

Official Course Reviews through TxQMC are \$550-725 vs \$1000 through QM and our facilitation includes helping to form the review committees. (Cost is determined by VCT membership & CRMS training.)

Self-Reviews are free for institutions and allow courses to be evaluated using QM and potentially prepare them to undergo an official review. Various resources are available to assist you.

# Course Review:



Internal Reviews are free and can also be a step toward an Official QM Review. Again, various resources are available to assist you.

If all procedures are followed a graphic will be available for successful Internal Reviews to indicate your institution's commitment to quality online education.



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# Want to make some money? Be a Reviewer or Training Facilitator.



- The APPQMR course is the first step. Individuals can then register for the (PRC) Peer Reviewer Course. Upon successful completion of this course, eligible participants must complete and submit a Role Application as well as a Memo of Understanding in order to become a QM Certified Peer Reviewer. QM Certified Peer Reviewers are eligible to serve on both QM-Managed and Subscriber-Managed course reviews. Peer Reviewers and Subject Matter Experts earn \$150 per review. Master Reviewers earn \$250 as the Review Committee Chair.
- The (OFC) Online Facilitator Certification prepares qualified participants to facilitate the online Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR) workshop including preparation, navigation, management, and assessment. Facilitators earn \$50 per participant from outside of their institution.



# Some TxQMC Numbers:

Currently **24** community colleges throughout Texas and **2** universities

- 2553 - Individuals
- 2138 - Individuals Trained
- 61 - Peer Reviewers w/14 - Master Reviewers
- 25 - Facilitators
- 599 - Closed Submitted Reviews (Official, Internal, Self)



# Some TxQMC Implementations:

There are a number of ways an institution can begin to implement a QM plan:

- TxQMC membership is a full QM membership providing access to a number of free trainings, access to the HE Rubric, free self-reviews and other resources.
- Institutions may choose to train instructional designers or course developers to ensure high quality new courses/revisions.
- Some organizations train their own facilitators, and pay only for materials to train faculty.





# Some TxQMC Implementations:

- Training individuals to become Peer Reviewers can be advantageous for Internal and Official Course Reviews.
- Internal Reviews can be a great (and less expensive) way to get a course review program off the ground at institutions.
- Some organizations may, through budgeting or grant funding, be in a position to do Official Course Reviews for entire programs.
- There are many possible options and combinations of QM services for implementation.



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Questions?  
Comments?

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