

# 5 ways a healthcare stewardship mindset can help strengthen your health system.

Your goals are clear: enhance the quality and experience of care, improve the health of patient populations, and reduce the cost of healthcare. Systems that adopt healthcare stewardship—the strategic use of diagnostics to support the health and well-being of patients, clinicians, and the health system itself—progress from seeing the lab as a clinical support to a clinical driver.

## Here's how it can work:

### 1. COLLABORATE AS PEERS



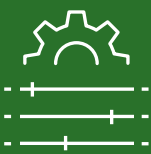
When clinicians, laboratorians, and administrators work together, time-to-diagnosis and variations in care are reduced, the patient experience is enhanced, and costs are brought under control.

### 2. LEVERAGE YOUR DATA



Laboratory data and analytics provide actionable insights into clinical practices and can help identify gaps and enhance the quality of care.

### 3. EXPLORE NEW BUSINESS MODELS



Optimizing lab operations, keeping up with emerging technology and new testing protocols, and managing staffing levels is a lot to manage. Different business models can provide support that reduces oversight, increases access to the latest advances, and meets your need for laboratorians.

### 4. WIDEN THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE



Giving clinicians the support of outside diagnostic experts can help them make better, faster decisions based on a much larger set of data and experience.

### 5. EXPAND CAPABILITIES WHILE CONTROLLING RISK



External partners can bring new thinking to many of the common challenges facing health systems today. Expanding diagnostics beyond your internal offerings can increase throughput, protect against service interruptions, decrease risk, and allow you to reallocate capital.

As the world's largest provider of diagnostics information services, Quest Diagnostics is uniquely positioned to help you realize your vision of clinical and operational excellence through a more strategic use of diagnostics.

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