How Lessons (NEW) Helps Improve Course Management and Satisfy QM™* Standards

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Workshop Description

Since the introduction of the Lessons (NEW) tool in July 2015, I have been migrating content of my online and face-to-face courses in iLearn using this new tool. A process of copying and pasting content has quickly evolved into the redesign of content delivery and presentation through the course site. This workshop is a practical presentation and exchange of ideas on a variety of online teaching techniques facilitated by the Lessons (NEW) tool. It should be useful for both novice and seasoned instructors alike.

Workshop Highlights:
- What worked and what did not work as expected with the Lessons (NEW) tool
- Use of teamwork in online forums and assignments, along with other online teaching tips
- Quality Matters™* as a good framework for the course syllabus (online and face-to-face courses)
- Features in Lessons (NEW) tool that help satisfy QM standards (5th Edition)