## **High Value Care**

The goal of the High Value Care Initiative for the Department of Medicine is to improve the quality of care for patients via a structured project process. This process will include fellows, residents, and medical students with a second goal of providing an educational and academic opportunity as well.

Past and current projects include. Information on these projects can be obtained by contacting Virginia Hood, MD:

- Reduction of colonoscopies for patients >75 years old
- Adherence to Bone Density Scanning criteria
- Elimination of creatinine screening for inpatient dialysis patients
- Reduction of routine chest x-rays in the ICU for intubated patients
- Reduction of routine repeat echocardiograms on inpatients
- Reduction of staging scans for Breast Cancer Patients
- Elimination of duplicate Hep C and Hep A testing
- Need to add current projects