**[IBD Standards and Benchmarking - Template newsletter]**

*Three lengths of newsletter are provided so you can pick the one that best suits your needs.*

*Depending on your hospital’s findings, you may wish to consider an alternative title such as:*

* ***[Insert hospital name] committed to Quality Improvement in Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) with participation in IBD Benchmarking Tool***

**[FULL-LENGTH ARTICLE BELOW]**

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* [Insert IBD Patient Survey Report findings]

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* [Insert Results Overview findings]

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