



**INTENT TO SUBMIT DEADLINES**

**FALL: AUGUST 1**

**SPRING: JANUARY 5**

**ENDORSEMENT MAINTENANCE TOPIC AREAS MEASURE SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

<b>Endorsement and Maintenance Topical Areas</b>	<b>FALL Measure Submission Deadline</b>	<b>SPRING Measure Submission Deadline</b>	<b>Brief Topical Area Description</b>
<b>All-Cause Admissions and Readmissions</b>	November 8	April 9	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on admission and readmission rates, both all-cause and specific to certain conditions such as heart failure.
<b>Behavioral Health and Substance Use</b>	November 1	April 2	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on behavioral health conditions and substance abuse, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), and depression, including screening, primary care, and treatment measures.
<b>Cancer</b>	November 15	April 16	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on screening and treatment of breast, colon, prostate, esophageal, lung, and other cancers.
<b>Cardiovascular</b>	November 8	April 9	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on hypertension, coronary artery disease, acute myocardial infarction, percutaneous coronary intervention, heart failure, and atrial fibrillation.
<b>Cost and Efficiency</b>	November 15	April 16	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on cost of care, payment and efficiency for all conditions.
<b>Geriatric and Palliative Care</b>	November 15	April 16	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on experience with care, care planning, pain management, dyspnea management, care preferences, and quality of care at the end of life.



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<b>Neurology</b>	November 1	April 2	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on stroke, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, dementia and Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, and traumatic brain injury.
<b>Patient Experience and Function</b>	November 8	April 9	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on health-related quality of life, patient and family engagement in care, functional status, symptom and symptom burden, experience with care, and care coordination.
<b>Patient Safety</b>	November 1	April 2	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on pressure ulcers, healthcare-acquired conditions, sepsis, mortality rates, and medication management.
<b>Perinatal and Women’s Health</b>	November 8	April 9	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on reproductive health, pregnancy, prenatal care, delivery, immediate post-partum care for newborns, and childbirth-related issues for women.
<b>Prevention and Population Health</b>	November 15	April 16	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on smoking, diet, disease incidence and prevalence), primary prevention and screening, practices to promote healthy living, community interventions, and modifiable social, economic, environmental determinants of health with a demonstrable relationship to prevention and population health.
<b>Primary Care and Chronic Illness</b>	November 8	April 9	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on non-surgical eye conditions, non-surgical ear,



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			nose, and throat, diabetes care, osteoporosis, HIV, rheumatoid arthritis, gout, back pain, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and acute bronchitis.
<b>Renal</b>	November 1	April 2	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on kidney disease.
<b>Surgery</b>	November 15	April 16	NQF seeks to endorse measures focused on pre-and post-surgical care, timing of prophylactic antibiotic, and adverse surgical outcomes.