CQMC Implementation Workgroup Committee Roster

Committee Members

**Stephanie Clouser, MS**  
Data Scientist, Kentuckiana Health Collaborative  
Louisville, Kentucky

Stephanie Clouser is the data scientist for Kentuckiana Health Collaborative (KHC), a nonprofit organization that works with key healthcare stakeholders in the community for better health outcomes and delivery in Louisville, Southern Indiana, and Kentucky. In her current role, Stephanie fulfills the data needs of KHC, including completing regional and statewide physician quality measurement reports, which KHC has distributed to physicians since 2006 and publicly reported since 2012.

**Rajesh Davda, MD, MBA, CPE**  
Medical Senior Director, CIGNA Healthcare  
Bloomfield, Connecticut

Raj Davda, MD is Market Medical Executive, Carolinas, and National Medical Director, Health Informatics. Raj is board-certified in internal medicine, nephrology, and clinical informatics. Prior to joining Cigna in 2012, Raj was in private practice for 22 years in South Carolina and Texas as a general nephrologist, interventional nephrologist, and renal/pancreas transplant medical director. At Cigna, Raj has experience in quality measures and quality improvement, health information and interoperability, NCQA, HEDIS, working with external partners including AHIP, NQF’s MAP, Renal Measures, and CQMC, and using clinical informatics and analytics to improve quality and efficiency across the enterprise.

**Anthony Davis, BS, MHM**  
Senior Director of Quality, Regulatory, and Strategy, UPMC Health Plan  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Anthony Davis’ career in healthcare quality spans 15 years at various organizations. Anthony’s experience spans many areas of healthcare improvement ranging from provider and health system-based work, to health plan improvement activities. Anthony’s career has seen him work at several major organizations including NCQA, Molina Health Care, United, Optum, and most recently, UPMC. In addition to his current work as Senior Director of Quality at UPMC, Anthony is also a part-time professor and George Washington University and works as a Senior Consultant for the National Committee for Quality Assurance.

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Sarah Dinwiddie, MSN, RN  
Associate, Performance Measurement, American College of Physicians (ACP)  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Sarah Dinwiddie is trained as a registered nurse, health systems manager, and is an expert in performance measurement. Sarah currently leads ACP’s clinical policy initiatives in the area of performance measurement. She has also been involved in multiple national and international collaborations to develop clinical policies for performance measurement, assess and evaluate quality of care, and develop strategies to improve the science of performance measurement. She has also served on several performance measurement committees, workgroups, and technical expert panels of various national and international organizations.

Kerri Fei, MSN, RN  
Program Manager, PCPI Foundation  
Chicago, Illinois

Kerri Fei has 10 years of experience in the development and implementation of performance measures from both the clinician and health plan perspective. Kerri started her measure development career at the AMA-PCPI, where she led multiple measure development projects. She then spent seven years at Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, where she led the identification, selection, and implementation of quality and cost measures for Blue Distinction programs. Prior to working in performance measurement, Kerri worked as an emergency department (ED) nurse, where she provided patient care and participated in quality improvement projects focused on improving patient throughput and flow within the ED.

Faith Green, MSN, RN, CPHQ, CPC-A  
Clinical Consultant, Office of the Chief Medical Officer, Humana  
Louisville, Kentucky

Faith Green has over 18 years of established success in the healthcare field, with strong emphasis on quality, education, and process improvement. She has collaborated with risk management, clinicians, and internal audit to identify areas of high risk to patient safety, process inconsistencies, and monitored for compliance to best practices. She has collaborated with leaders to improve clinical quality outcomes by reducing and refining over 1,100 metrics to 208. Faith is a Registered Nurse and a certified professional in healthcare quality. She has a bachelor of science in nursing and a master of science in nursing.

Collette Pitzen, BSN, RN, CPHQ  
Clinical Measure Developer, Minnesota Community Measurement  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Collette Pitzen is a clinical measure developer at MN Community Measurement. She has over 30 years of experience in a variety of healthcare settings with a significant portion devoted to quality improvement, measure design, and reporting. Measurement development work includes depression, chronic disease, orthopedic procedures, and oncology. She is passionate about developing and implementing measures that address gaps in patient outcomes. Collette has served as an expert panel member for several patient-reported outcome focused national groups. Ms. Pitzen holds a BSN degree in nursing from the University of Minnesota and is a certified professional in healthcare quality.

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Heidy Roberts-Cooper, MPA
Division Director, Practice Advancement, American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
Leawood, Kansas

Heidy Robertson-Cooper serves as Division Director of Practice Advancement at the American Academy of Family Physicians where she leads the strategy and execution of advancing family physician’s payment and practice environment. Prior to joining AAFP, Heidy served in executive roles at Missouri Primary Care Association and MissouriHealth+, leading the strategic direction of value-based initiatives across MO Community Health Centers, a primary care-led clinically integrated network and ACO. Prior to this Heidy served as Senior Strategist Healthcare Quality at the AAFP. She has also led medical home transformation, quality improvement, and operational efficiency efforts in the clinic setting.

Lorelle Jacobson, BS, MS
Director Regional Quality Data Management, Kaiser Permanente
Oakland, California

Lorelle Jacobson is healthcare leader with more than 15-years of experience in data management and consultation. Lorelle is an expert in database design and management, ensuring the use of The Joint Commission regulations and CMS core measures with Kaiser Permanente’s quality reporting by providing expertise and oversight in data analysis and management for 21 hospitals.

Jennifer Bretsch, MS, CPHQ
Program Management Lead, Integrating Quality Initiative, Association of American Medical Colleges
Washington, District of Columbia

Jennifer Bretsch is the Program Management Lead of the Integrating Quality Initiative for the Association of American Medical Colleges where she develops, implements, and evaluates clinical and educational programs that drive innovation and transformation at academic medical centers. In prior roles, Jennifer has contributed to improving the quality of cancer care, cardiac care, and addressing healthcare disparities in collaboration with hundreds of healthcare institutions and clinicians. She supported the collection, reporting, and analysis of core measures and other process and outcome measures, and garnered buy-in to ensure adoption and sustainability of effective improvement strategies.

Eleni Theodoropoulos
Director of Quality and Measurement, URAC
Washington, District of Columbia

Eleni Theodoropoulos is the Vice President, Quality, Research & Measurement at URAC, a not-for-profit accreditation organization based out of Washington, DC that promotes continuous improvement in the quality of healthcare management. With over 14 years in healthcare and 19 years in information technology, she recognizes the challenges associated with data collection, measurement, technology, and the impact to healthcare consumers. She is responsible to lead resources from URAC, industry representatives, and contractors in the development and implementation of products for measurement and assessment of various types of healthcare companies. Additionally, she provides oversight for the quality activities within URAC.

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Deborah Paone, DrPH  
Performance Evaluation Lead and Policy Consultant, The SNP Alliance  
Washington, District of Columbia  

Dr. Deborah Paone is lead on performance evaluation and quality measurement for the Special Needs Plan Alliance, a nonprofit leadership group focused on complex, chronic care populations. Dr. Paone has worked nationally for 25+ years with innovative teams from managed care organizations, hospitals/health systems, clinics, housing and community-based service providers, government agencies, coalitions, and research centers to advance better systems of care. She serves on the CMS/RAND Technical Expert Panel on Medicare Stars Quality Measures, has served on two NQF groups around social determinates of health, and is an expert reviewer for Administration for Community Living/National Council on Aging on evidence-based programs.

Lisa Patton, PhD  
Director, IBM Watson Health  
Bethesda, Maryland  

Dr. Patton, a psychologist, is the Behavioral Health/Disparities Development Lead for IBM Watson Health. She served in the federal government previously. As division director for evaluation and analytics within SAMHSA’s Center for Behavioral Health Statistics/Quality, she directed health economists and other social scientists in conducting research/evaluation related to serious mental illness/substance use disorders, policy, and treatment. She has worked on quality measures for a decade, overseeing behavioral health measure development and assisting with federal measures implementation into grantee programs. She participated in NQF’s mental illness and opioid action teams as well as co-chairing the Social Determinants of Health Action Team.

Kenneth Sands, MD, MPH  
Chief Epidemiologist & Patient Safety Officer, HCA Healthcare  
Nashville, Tennessee  

Kenneth Sands is Chief Epidemiologist and Patient Safety Officer for HCA Healthcare (HCA). In this role he oversees activities relating to patient safety, medication management, peer review, infection prevention, laboratory stewardship, and implementation science for more than 300 facilities nationally and internationally. Prior to this position, Dr. Sands served as Chief Quality Officer at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston. His research interests include systems for detection of adverse events and patient harm. Dr. Sands received an MD from Dartmouth Medical School, an MPH from Harvard School of Public Health, and an Infectious Disease Fellowship at Harvard Medical School.

Christopher Dezii, RN, MBA, CPHQ  
Director, Healthcare Quality and Performance Measures, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company  
Lawrenceville, New Jersey  

Christopher Dezii is the Lead, Quality and Performance Measure Development, at the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company with a primary function of advancing healthcare quality for all, and he is a contributing member of a number of quality-focused organizations and alliances such as the National Quality Forum (NQF) and the National Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine’s (NASEM) Clinical Effectiveness Research Innovation Collaborative (CERIC), PCORI stakeholder reviewer, and he served as a PCORI Patient and Stakeholder reviewer mentor. Also, serving on NQF’s Measure Applications Partnership

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representing the pharmaceutical industry (PhRMA). He is a member of the National Pharmaceutical Council’s and PhRMA’s Quality Subgroup.

**Torrie Fields, MPH**  
Senior Manager, Advanced Illness, Blue Shield of California  
San Francisco, California

Torrie Fields leads the implementation of programs and processes at Blue Shield of California that work to improve the quality of life for individuals with serious illness and their families. Torrie has led the development of highly successful palliative care initiatives including benefit design, case management, caregiver support, medical home development, and engagement efforts. In addition, Torrie worked as a health services researcher in a variety of settings, including health plans, health delivery systems, local, state, and federal health departments, and in university research laboratories. She has experience in health policy development and implementation, focusing on translating evidence into regulatory change.

**Colleen Schmitt, MD**  
President, American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE)  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dr. Colleen Schmitt practices at the gastrointestinal specialty arm of Galen Medical Group where she serves as President. She works in health and policy at the local, state, and national levels. Dr. Schmitt has served on the Tennessee Department of Health Care Finance Technical Advisory Group for the Colonoscopy Episode of Care. She is the Co-Chair of the Gastrointestinal Disease Management—Medical and Surgical Clinical Subcommittee, advising on numerous episodes of care implemented by CMS. Among her service to local and national organizations, notably, she currently serves on the Board of GI Quality Improvement Consortium, a qualified clinical data registry.

**Bruce Spurlock, MD**  
Chair, California Hospital Assessment and Reporting Taskforce  
Roseville, California

Bruce Spurlock, MD, is CEO of Cynosure Health, leading and advising large improvement collaborative at the regional, state, and national levels designed to accelerate the implementation of evidence-based practices. Dr. Spurlock also leads Cal Hospital Compare, a multistakeholder hospital public reporting organization. He is an Adjunct Associate Professor with Stanford University and a national speaker. He co-edited the book *All In: Using Healthcare Collaborative to Save Lives and Improve Care*. He has participated on numerous state/national advisory/technical expert committees, is published in local, state, and national journals, and has served on the boards of diverse healthcare organizations.

**Kevin Hummel, MD**  
Pediatric Critical Care Medicine Physician, University of Utah Health  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Kevin Hummel is a pediatric critical care physician at the University of Utah, following training at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, the University of Arizona, and the Intermountain Healthcare Delivery Institute, where he has received training in lean leadership methodology, crisis resource management, and systems improvement principals. In roles with The International Consortium of Health Outcome Measures, The Core Outcome Measures in Effectiveness Trials group, and the Healthcare Transformation Institute, he has led worldwide development and implementation of standard sets of

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core outcomes and participated in assessing measures to indicate system readiness to transition to Accountable Care Organizations.

**Paloma Luisi, MPH**
Director, Bureau of Quality Measurement and Evaluation, New York State (NYS) Department of Health
Albany, New York

Paloma Luisi is a public health researcher and director with 11 years of professional experience including a bachelor’s degree in social sciences and a master’s degree in healthcare policy. She has a professional and academic background in quality measurement, managed care, public health insurance programs and reform, and qualitative approaches to studying health policy. She currently serves as leader within NYS Department of Health and is tasked with developing new measurement programs for the intersection of quality with value-based payment (VBP). She is a doctoral candidate in health policy and management at the University at Albany.

**Rachel Maxwell**
Data and Practice Transformation Manager, Maryland Department of Health, Program Management Office
Hanover, Maryland

Rachel Maxwell has an extensive background in business, IT, consulting, management, and business process improvement within both the public and private sectors of the healthcare industry. She has a passion for quality initiatives especially in regard to behavioral health integration and leveraging health information technologies at the point of care.

**Robert Rauner, MD, MPH**
Director, Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dr. Rauner has spent the last 15 years doing clinical quality improvement work starting in a community-based family medicine residency program and starting two physician-led Accountable Care Organizations in Nebraska. He splits his time between two jobs, 70 percent as Chief Medical Officer of OneHealth Nebraska ACO, a physician-led accountable care organization caring for approximately 200,000 patients, and 30 percent as President of Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln working on community health projects and public policy. He is also an elected official serving on the Lincoln Public Schools Board of Education.

**April Young, BS, MS**
Senior Director, NCI-AD
Arlington, Virginia

April Young is the Senior Director of NCI-AD at ADvancing States (formerly NASUAD). Since 2015, the NCI-AD survey tool has been utilized by states across the country interested in tracking quality of life and outcomes data for aging and disability populations receiving publicly funded long-term services and supports. Before joining ADvancing States, Ms. Young worked as a policy advisor specializing in long-term services and supports for the state of Texas. Ms. Young holds a master’s degree in social work from the University of Texas at Austin with a concentration in community and administrative leadership.

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