

Measure Developer Webinar

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Agenda

- ICD-10 Updates
- Process Overview: Sequential Two-Stage CDP

ICD-10 CODES



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ICD-10 Deadline Update

- The HHS implementation deadline has been changed to **October 1, 2014.**
- Further details explaining the change can be accessed here: <http://www.ama-assn.org/amednews/2012/04/09/gvsc0412.htm>

Transition to ICD-10 Timeline (UPDATED)

10/1/2011

- NQF now requires ICD-9 and ICD-10 for all measures

10/1/2014

- ICD-10 required for HIPAA transactions

1/1/2015

- No longer accept ICD-9 for NQF measures

Required Documentation

1. Statement of Intent

2. Codes

3. Process

1. Statement of Intent for ICD-10

Convert this measure to a new code set

Take advantage of the more specific code set

The intent of the measure has changed.

- May need ad hoc review or review in upcoming project

1. Statement of Intent for ICD-10

New Measure

- In the Validity section, data field **2b2.2. Analytic Method.**

Annual Update or Measures Undergoing Maintenance

- In the **Release Notes**

2. Codes

Excel Spreadsheet

- Full listing of ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes, with code definitions
- The conversion table (if there is one)

2. Codes

New Measure or Measures Undergoing Maintenance

- Include **ICD-10 codes** (with definitions) in Numerator Details, Denominator Details, and/or Exclusion Details as appropriate

- Attach Excel at data field **2a1.30. Data Dictionary or Code Table**

Annual Update

- Include **ICD-10 codes** (with definitions) in Numerator Details, Denominator Details, and/or Exclusion Details as appropriate

- E-mail Excel file to **measuremaintenance@qualityforum.org**

2. Code Tables: New Measure or Measures Undergoing Maintenance

NQF Measure Submission Form, Version 5.0, Specifications tab

2a1.30. Data Dictionary or Code Table *(Please provide a web page URL or attachment if exceeds 2 pages. NQF strongly prefers URLs. Attach documents only if they are not available on a web page and keep attached file to 5 MB or less.)*

- URL
- Attachment



3. Process: New Measures or Measures Undergoing Maintenance

- Enter **process** of determining ICD-10 codes into the Validity section, data field **2b2.2. Analytic Method**
- If ICD-10 **testing data** is available, enter that into the Validity section, data field **2b2.3. Testing Results**
- If necessary, add **attachments** at bottom of Scientific Acceptability tab, data field **2.1. Supplemental Testing Methodology Information**

3. Process: Annual Update

- Document the process of determining the ICD-10 codes (Word or PDF), including:
 - Names and credentials of experts
 - Summary of stakeholder comments
 - Results of any testing
- Send attachments to measuremaintenance@qualityforum.org when submitting Annual Update
 - Cannot add attachments to Annual Updates online at this time, so NQF staff will do it behind the scenes

NQF Guidance

ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding Maintenance Operational Guidance

Available on NQF Web site at:

[http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2010/10/ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding Maintenance Operational Guidance.aspx](http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2010/10/ICD-10-CM/PCS_Coding_Maintenance_Operational_Guidance.aspx)

*Slides used on November 21, 2011 webinar can be used as reference

Questions?

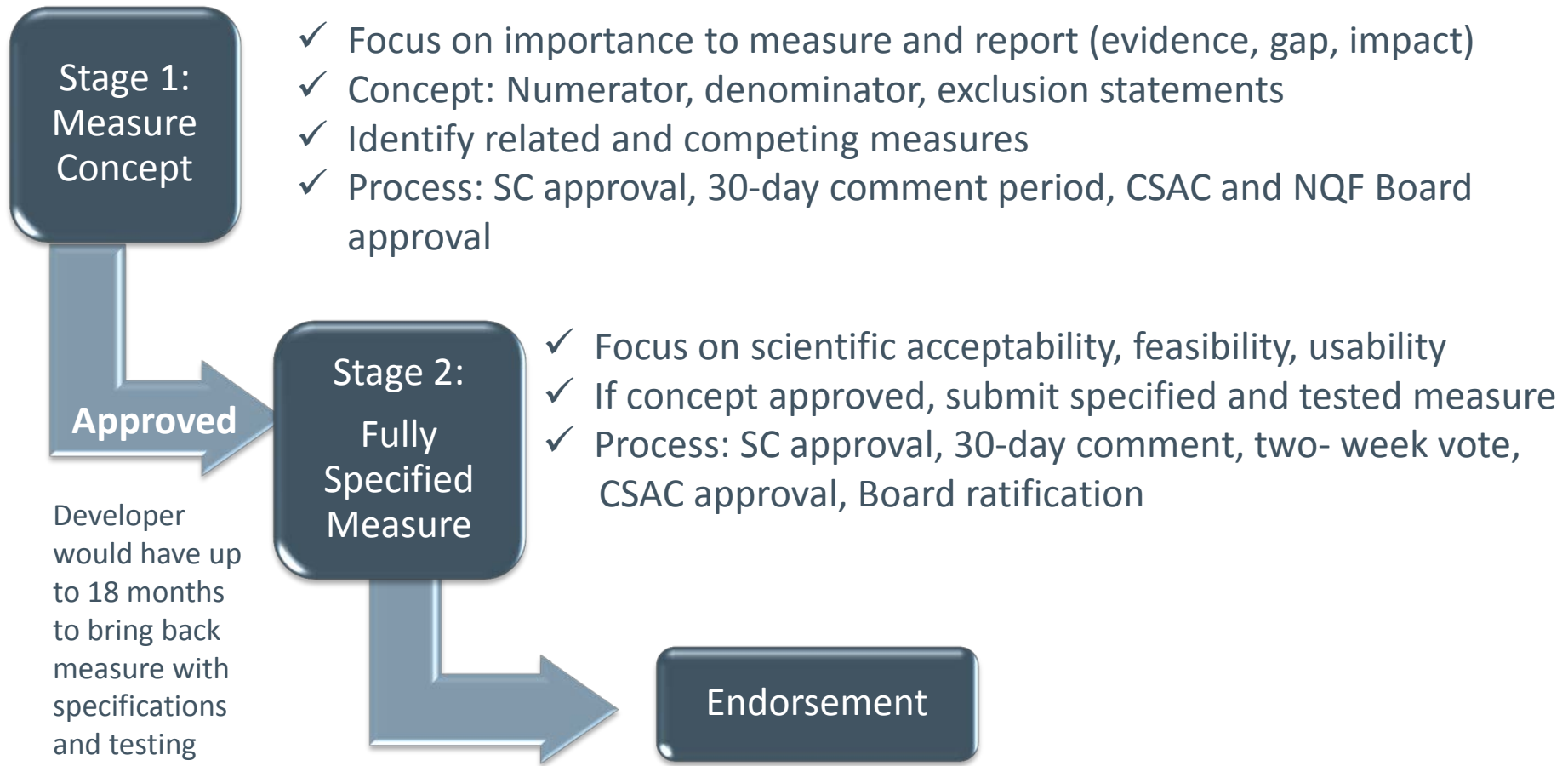


Gastrointestinal (GI) and
Genitourinary (GU)
Endorsement Maintenance
Project—Testing Elements of
the Two-stage CDP



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Proposed Two-Stage Endorsement Process



Goals

- This two-stage process is intended to be *iterative* and a *first step* to test:
- Stage 1:
 - Effectiveness of technical assistance and revised measure submission form
 - Scalability of concept evaluation across all CDP projects
 - Overall cycle time for concept review
- Stage 2:
 - Overall cycle time for fully specified and tested measures
 - Determine effectiveness of process improvements and staging of the evaluation

Project Scope

Gastrointestinal Conditions

Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)

Gastroenteritis

GI bleeding

Peptic ulcer disease

Liver disease (cirrhosis, end-stage liver disease, portal hypertension)

Colitis

Diverticulitis

Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)

Gallstones

Diarrhea/constipation

Pancreatitis

Appendicitis

Celiac disease

Other related conditions

Genitourinary Conditions

Incontinence

Neurogenic bladder

Urinary tract infection

Urinary tract stones

Cystitis

Hernias

Congenital anomalies of the urinary tract

Other related conditions

Project Scope

- Cross-setting
- Inclusive of broad populations (e.g., adults, pediatric, elderly, and the vulnerable)
- Chronic care and care coordination focused

Maintenance Measures

NQF #	Title	Steward	Topic
0622	GERD - Upper Gastrointestinal Study in Adults with Alarm Symptoms	ActiveHealth Management	GI
0635	Chronic Liver Disease - Hepatitis A Vaccination	ActiveHealth Management	GI
0658	Endoscopy/Poly Surveillance: Appropriate follow-up interval for normal colonoscopy in average risk patients	American Medical Association - Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement (AMA-PCPI)	GI
0659	Endoscopy/Poly Surveillance: Colonoscopy Interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps- Avoidance of Inappropriate Use	American Medical Association - Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement (AMA-PCPI)	GI
0030	Urinary Incontinence Management in Older Adults - a. Discussing urinary incontinence, b. Receiving urinary incontinence treatment	National Committee for Quality Assurance	GU
0098	Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	National Committee for Quality Assurance	GU
0099	Urinary Incontinence: Characterization of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	National Committee for Quality Assurance	GU
0100	Urinary Incontinence: Plan of Care for Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	National Committee for Quality Assurance	GU

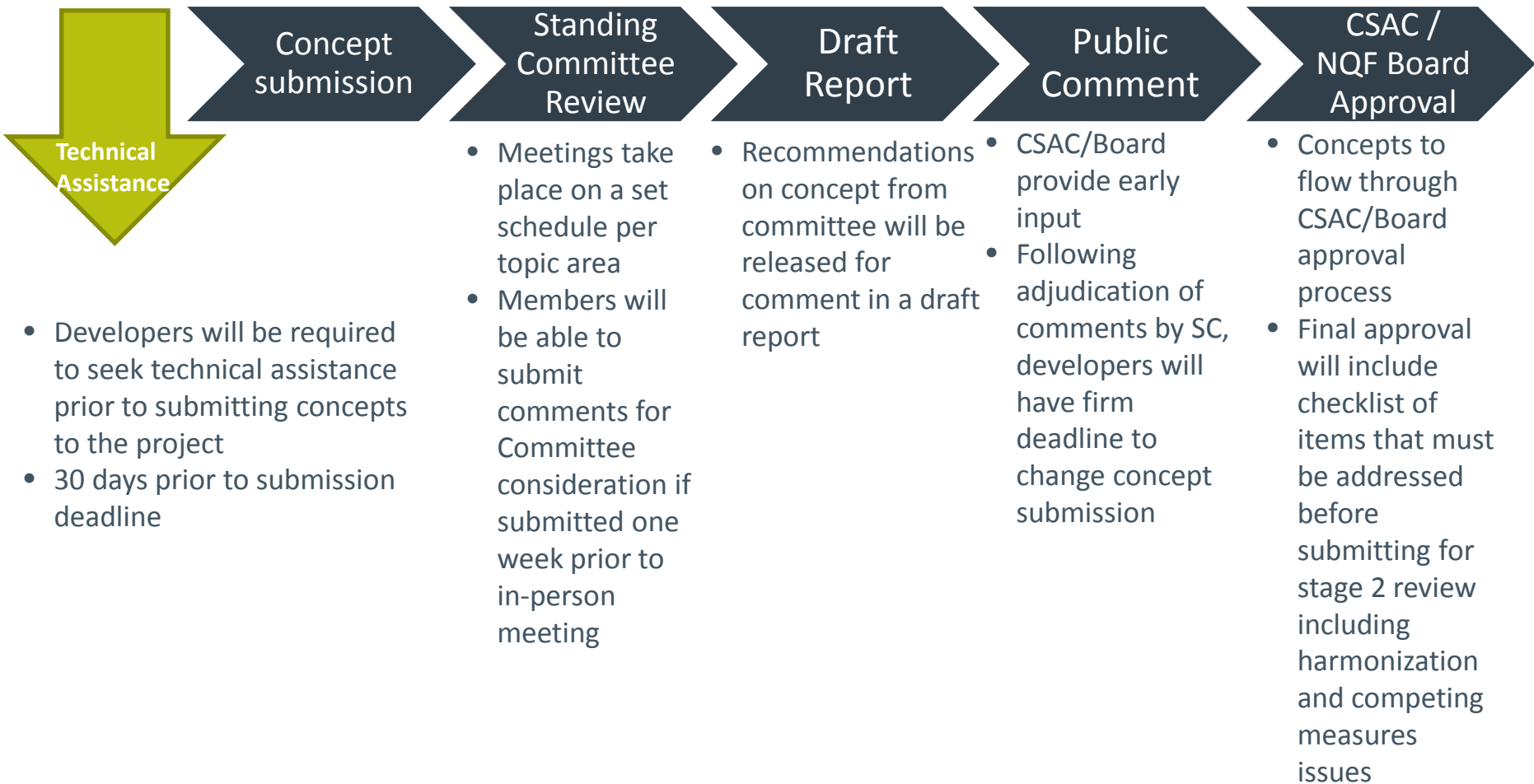
Potential Concepts Identified to Date

- GI concepts (~ 8)
 - Irritable bowel disease
 - Colonoscopy screening and surveillance
- GU concepts (~10)
 - Stress urinary incontinence (SUI)
 - Pelvic floor repair

Stage 1 Evaluation: Measure Concept

- Includes:
 - Numerator statement
 - Denominator statement
 - Exclusions under consideration
 - Risk adjustment variables under consideration
 - Preliminary specifications (not necessarily coding)
 - Planned use
 - Mapping to taxonomy (i.e., proposed levels of analysis, data source, settings of care, topic area)

Stage 1 Proposed Process



GI & GU Pilot Timeline –Stage 1

Concept Evaluation-Stage 1		
Task	Start	Finish
Open Call for Concepts/Measures		6/4/12
REQUIRED Technical assistance deadline		6/25/12
Concept Submission deadline		7/16/12
Member comment period opens		8/1/12
SC In Person Meeting #1 (concepts only)	8/23/12	8/29/12
NQF Member and Public Comment (30 days)	9/14/12	10/15/12
CSAC Review	11/7/12	11/16/12
NQF Board Approval	11/19/12	11/30/12
Transition to stage 2	12/3/12	12/7/12

What will be evaluated in Stage 2?

- Measure with specifications and testing results
- Data on remaining three criteria:
 - Scientific Acceptability
 - Usability and Use
 - Feasibility

Stage 2 Proposed Process



Technical Assistance

- Developers will be required to seek technical assistance prior to submitting measures to Stage 2
- 30 days prior to the submission deadline

Measure Submission

- Developer must demonstrate that checklist for Stage 2 review has been met

Steering Committee Review

- Meetings take place on a set schedule per topic area
- Members will be able to submit comments for Committee Consideration if submitted one week prior to in-person meeting

Draft Report

- Recommendations on measure from committee will be released for comment

Public Comment

- CSAC/Board provide early input

Member Voting

- 2 week member voting period

CSAC / Board Approval

- Measures to flow through approval process by CSAC/ Board
- Measures are endorsed and appeals are opened

GI & GU Pilot Timeline –Stage 2

Measure Evaluation- Stage 2

Task	Start	Finish
Measure submission forms open for approved concepts		11/9/12
REQUIRED Technical assistance deadline		12/3/12
Measure submission deadline		12/19/12
Member comment period opens		1/22/13
SC In Person Meeting #2 (measure review)	2/11/13	2/15/13
NQF Member and Public Comment	3/4/13	4/2/13
NQF Member Vote	4/25/13	5/8/13
CSAC Review	5/9/13	5/24/13
NQF Board Approval	5/27/13	6/3/13
Appeals	6/4/13	7/2/13
Project Evaluation/wrap up	7/3/13	7/17/13

Key Points

- Maintenance measures will need to go through Stage 1 and Stage 2 reviews
- Evaluation does not change - measures must still pass all criteria
- Developers would have up to 18 months to bring full specifications and testing results on reliability and validity for Stage 2 submission
 - If not submitted within 18 months, would require submission for Stage 1 review again

Anticipated Challenges

- No competing concepts/measures identified thus far
- Few related measures requiring harmonization anticipated

Your Questions?

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Appendix

Proposed Pilot of CDP Redesign

Stage 1

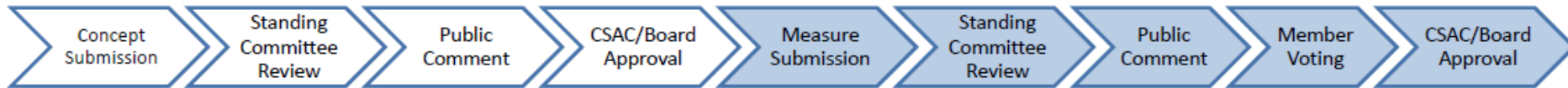
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- Determine scalability of concept evaluation across all CDP projects

Stage 2

Objectives:

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- Assess effectiveness of technical assistance and revised measure submission form
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Concept Submission

30-day technical assistance (TA) will be provided to developers

Step-specific Objectives:

- Improve the quality of measure submissions
- Reduce measure developer delays related to incomplete/nonresponsive submissions
- Determine scalability of TA across all CDP projects

Standing Committee Review through CSAC/Board Approval

Evaluate concepts against the importance criterion.

Concepts are defined as:

- New measure concepts that have not been fully specified or tested
- Conceptual components of fully specified and tested measures including those measures undergoing endorsement maintenance

Member commenting will open when measure submissions are posted; 30-day member and public comment opens following Committee recommendations

Step-specific Objectives:

- Assess whether modifications made to the measure submission form are clear and useful to developers and Committee members
- Determine if efficiencies can be achieved through dividing of concept reviews against one criterion rather than traditional evaluations against all four criteria

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Standing Committee Review through CSAC/Board Approval

Evaluate fully specified and tested measures against three remaining criterion.

Member commenting will open when measure submissions are posted; 30-day member and public comment opens following Committee recommendations

Step-specific Objectives:

- Assess whether modifications made to the measure submission form are clear and useful to developers and Committee members
- Determine if efficiencies can be achieved through dividing of Committee and developer work across two stages rather than traditional evaluations against all four criteria

Next Webinar

July 16, 2012, 1 p.m. ET

- Topic(s) TBD
- Your suggestions always welcome

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