



NQF Scientific Methods Panel In-Person Meeting

October 28, 2019

9:00 am – 5:00 pm ET

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National Quality Forum

1099 14th Street NW; Suite 500

Washington, DC 20005

Web Participant Instructions (Day 1 & Day 2)

Follow the instructions below 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

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Meeting Objectives

- Reach consensus on measures with a preliminary rating of Consensus Not Reached
- Reconsider measures pulled by NQF Staff or the Panel members
- Identify methodological issues presented during measure evaluation
- Provide input on recent SMP process improvements

Day 1: October 28, 2019

8:30 am **Breakfast**

9:00 am **Welcome, Introductions, and Disclosures of Interest**

David Cella, Methods Panel Co-chair

David Nerenz, Methods Panel Co-chair

Karen Johnson, Senior Director

Elisa Munthali, Senior Vice President

9:30 am **Meeting Overview: Process and Criteria**

Karen Johnson, Senior Director

Ashlie Wilbon, Senior Director

10:15 am **Consideration of Subgroup 1 Measures**

Patient Safety Standing Committee

- 2456: Medication Reconciliation: Number of Unintentional Medication Discrepancies per Patient (Brigham and Women’s Hospital)

Geriatrics and Palliative Care Standing Committee

- 1623: Bereaved Family Survey (Department of Veterans Affairs/Hospice and Palliative Care)

11:15 am Morning Break

11:30 am Consideration of Subgroup 1 Measures (cont.)

Primary Care and Chronic Illness Standing Committee

- 0575: Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Control (<8.0%) (NCQA)
- 0059: Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control (>9.0%) (National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA))
- 0061: Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Blood Pressure Control (<140/90 mm Hg) (NCQA)

12:30 pm Opportunity for Public Comment

12:45 pm Lunch

1:15 pm Consideration of Subgroup 1 Measures (cont.) & Subgroup 2 Measures

Patient Experience and Function Standing Committee

- 0425: Functional status change for patients with lumbar impairments (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes, Inc)

Surgery Standing Committee

- 0696: STS CABG Composite Score (The Society of Thoracic Surgeons)
- 3537: Intraoperative Hypotension among Non-Emergent Noncardiac Surgical Cases (Mathematica)

2:45 pm Afternoon Break

3:00 pm Consideration of Subgroup 2 Measures (cont.) & Subgroup 3 Measures

Cardiovascular Standing Committee

- 0018: Controlling High Blood Pressure (NCQA)
- 3534: 30 Day All-cause Risk Standardized Mortality Odds Ratio following Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR) (American College of Cardiology)

Cancer Standing Committee

- 3478 Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer (Alliance of Dedicated Cancer Centers)

4:45 pm Opportunity for Public Comment

4:50 pm Wrap Up and Recap Day 1

5:00 pm Adjourn

Day 2: Tuesday, October 29, 2019

8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Welcome and Review Agenda and Objectives for the Day
9:15 am	Consideration of Subgroup 3 Measures (cont.) & Subgroup 4 Measures <i>Behavioral Health and Substance Use Standing Committee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3492 Acute Care Use Due to Opioid Overdose (Yale CORE/CMS) <i>Perinatal and Women's Health Standing Committee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3528 CDC and VON Harmonized Outcome Measure for Late Onset Sepsis and Meningitis in Very Low Birthweight Neonates (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) <i>Population Health Standing Committee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3483: Adult Immunization Status (NCQA)/3484: Prenatal Immunization Status (NCQA)
10:45 am	Morning Break
11:00 am	Process Review: Fall 2019 Cycle <i>Karen Johnson, Senior Director</i> <i>Ashlie Wilbon, Senior Director</i> <i>David Cella, Methods Panel Co-chair</i> <i>David Nerenz, Methods Panel Co-chair</i>
12:00 pm	Opportunity for Public Comment
12:15 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Discussion of Methodological Issues Identified During Measure Evaluation <i>Karen Johnson, Senior Director</i> <i>David Cella, Methods Panel Co-chair</i> <i>David Nerenz, Methods Panel Co-chair</i>
1:45 pm	Brief informational update on other measurement science efforts at NQF <i>Nicolette Mehas, Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measure sets and Measurement systems• Disparities Committee
2:15 pm	Next Steps
2:30 pm	Adjourn