



July 16, 2020

To: NQF members

From: NQF staff

Re: All-Cause Admissions & Readmissions Spring 2020 Cycle Measure Evaluation Draft Report

Background

This report reflects the review of measures in the All-Cause Admissions & Readmissions project. Producing strategies to more effectively streamline patient care coordination, the NQF-endorsed admissions and readmissions measures are intended to support the reduction of unnecessary hospital admissions and readmissions to drive healthcare quality improvement. Spring 2020 cycle consisted of two newly submitted measures and three measures undergoing maintenance review against NQF's standard evaluation criteria. As four of the measures were centered around dialysis, a Renal Technical Expert Panel was also convened to provide input to aid in the evaluation process.

The 23-person All-Cause Admissions & Readmissions Standing Committee reviewed five measures. Four were recommended for endorsement; one was not recommended.

Recommended Measures

- **NQF 1463:** Standardized Hospitalization Ratio for Dialysis Facilities (SHR) (UM Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center/CMS)
- **NQF 3565:** Standardized Emergency Department Encounter Ratio (SEDR) for Dialysis Facilities (UM Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center/CMS)
- **NQF 3566:** Standardized Ratio of Emergency Department Encounters Occurring Within 30 Days of Hospital Discharge (ED30) for Dialysis Facilities (UM Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center/CMS)
- **NQF 2539:** Facility 7-Day Risk-Standardized Hospital Visit Rate after Outpatient Colonoscopy (Yale CORE/CMS)

Measures Not Recommended

- **NQF 2496:** Standardized Readmission Ratio (SRR) for Dialysis Facilities (UM Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center/CMS)

Consensus Not Reached

- None

The Committee requests comments on all measures.

NQF Member and Public Commenting

NQF members and the public are encouraged to provide comments via the online commenting tool on the draft report as a whole, or on the specific measures evaluated by the All-Cause Admissions & Readmissions Standing Committee.

Please note that commenting concludes on September 3, 2020 at 6:00 pm ET—no exceptions.