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## Memo

**August 19, 2021**

**To:** NQF Members

**From:** NQF Staff

**Re:** All-Cause Admissions and Readmissions Spring 2021 Consensus Development Process (CDP) Report

### Background

This report reflects the review of measures in the All-Cause Admissions and Readmissions project. Measures in this portfolio address all-cause and condition-specific readmissions. By producing strategies to streamline patient care coordination more effectively, the NQF-endorsed admissions and readmissions measures are intended to support the reduction of unnecessary hospital admissions and readmissions to drive healthcare quality improvement.

The All-Cause Admissions and Readmissions Standing Committee reviewed four measures during the spring 2021 measure evaluation web meeting on July 6, 2021. All four measures were recommended for endorsement.

### Recommended Measures:

- NQF #2860 30-Day All-Cause Unplanned Readmission following Psychiatric Hospitalization in an Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) – (Mathematica/Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services [CMS])
- NQF #2880 Excess Days in Acute Care (EDAC) After Hospitalization for Heart Failure (HF) – (Yale Center for Outcomes Research & Evaluation [CORE]/CMS)
- NQF #2882 Excess Days in Acute Care (EDAC) After Hospitalization for Pneumonia - (Yale CORE/CMS)
- NQF #3612 Risk-Standardized Acute Cardiovascular-Related Hospital Admission Rates for Patients with Heart Failure Under the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System – (Yale CORE/CMS)

**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 and Readmissions Standing Committee.

**Please note that commenting concludes on September 17, 2021, at 6:00 pm ET—no exceptions.**

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