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Memo

August 11, 2021

To: NQF members

From: NQF staff

Re: Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring 2021 Cycle

Background

This report reflects the review of measures in the Behavioral Health and Substance Use project. The review and evaluation of behavioral health measures continue to be a priority of the National Quality Forum (NQF), with more than a decade of endorsing mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) measures. At present, there are 45 NQF-endorsed behavioral health measures.

The 24-person Behavioral Health and Substance Use Standing Committee reviewed one measure. This measure was recommended for continued endorsement.

Recommended Measure:

- #3175 Continuation of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder (University of Southern California)

The Standing Committee requests comments on the measure.

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 Behavioral Health and Substance Use Standing Committee.

Please note that commenting concludes on September 9, 2021, at 6:00 PM ET—no exceptions.