

## **Eye Care, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Off-Cycle Review Standing Committee: Evaluation Web Meeting Summary - Month 14, 2017**

The EENT Off-Cycle Review Standing Committee met via webinar on March 14, 2017 to evaluate two measures.

- **Welcome, Introductions and Disclosure of Interest**
  - The committee co-chairs provided welcoming remarks.
  - Staff introduced the off-cycle team and provided an overview of the EENT portfolio.
  - NQF's General Counsel reviewed NQF's Conflict of Interest Policy while each committee member introduced themselves and disclosed any potential conflicts of interest.
- **Project Introduction and Overview of Evaluation Process**
  - Staff reviewed:
    - NQF Endorsement Criteria
    - Process for Measure Discussions
    - Voting Criteria
    - Achieving Consensus
- **Measure Evaluation**

**Key:** H – High; M – Medium; L – Low; I – Insufficient; Y – Yes; N – No;

  - **2640: Otitis Media with Effusion – Antibiotics Avoidance (The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Pediatric Quality Measures Program Center of Excellence)**
  - Developer Representative: Charles Bailey
    - Votes
      - Evidence: H-10; M-0; L-0; I-0
      - Opportunity for Improvement: H-0; M-6; L-4; I-0
      - Reliability: H-0; M-2; L-8; I-0
      - Validity: No vote
      - Feasibility: No vote
      - Usability and Use: No vote
      - Overall Recommendation: No vote
    - Overall, the Committee did not recommended this measure for endorsement. Consensus was not reached on Opportunity for Improvement/Gap. The discussion on the measure ended after the reliability vote, as 80% of the Committee voted low on the reliability criterion. A summary of the Committee deliberations will be compiled and provided in the draft report.
  - **2811: Acute Otitis Media – Appropriate First-Line Antibiotics (The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Pediatric Quality Measures Program Center of Excellence)**
  - Developer Representative: Charles Bailey
    - Votes
      - Evidence: H-7; N-3

- Opportunity for Improvement: H-7; M-3; L-0; I-0
  - Reliability: H-5; M-5; L-0; I-0
  - Validity: H-0; M-10; L-0; I-0
  - Feasibility: H-2; M-8; L-0; I-0
  - Usability and Use: H-4; M-6; L-0; I-0
  - Overall Recommendation: Y-10; N-0
- Overall, the Committee recommended this measure for endorsement. A summary of the Committee deliberations will be compiled and provided in the draft report.
- **Discussion of Related and Competing Measures**
  - Committee members discussed measures related to measure 2640. The three measures discussed are stewarded by American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and are paper-based measures.
- **NQF Member and Public Comment**
  - No comments were received
- **Next Steps**
  - Staff discussed next steps with the committee. This includes:
    - Opportunity for NQF Member and Public Comment on the draft report from April 27- May 30, 2017;
    - A post-commenting conference call held the week of June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017;
    - An NQF Member Voting Period from June 21-July 6, 2017;
    - A review and final endorsement decision by the Consensus Standards Approval Committee (CSAC) from July 11 – 12, 2017, followed by a 30-day Appeals period; and
    - Submission of the final report to HHS.