Memo



October 29, 2021

- To: Cardiovascular Standing Committee
- From: NQF staff
- **Re**: Post-comment web meeting to discuss public comments received and NQF member expression of support has been canceled

Introduction

On September 27, 2021, NQF closed the public commenting period on two new measures submitted for endorsement consideration as part of the spring 2021 Cardiovascular Consensus Development Process (CDP). NQF did not receive any post-evaluation comments on the Standing Committee's recommendations. Since no comments were received, NQF, along with the Standing Committee Co-chairs, have decided to cancel the post-comment web meeting scheduled for October 29, 2021.

The Standing Committee's recommendations will be reviewed by the Consensus Standards Approval Committee (CSAC) on November 30 – December 1, 2021. The CSAC will review the Standing Committee's recommendation for each measure submitted for endorsement consideration. All Standing Committee members are encouraged to attend the CSAC meeting.

Comments Received

NQF welcomed comments from both NQF members and the public for the measures under review. Comments are accepted using the NQF's Quality Positioning System (QPS) online tool located on the <u>Cardiovascular project webpage</u>.

Pre-evaluation Comments

NQF accepts comments prior to the evaluation of the measures via an online tool on the project webpage. For this evaluation cycle, the pre-evaluation comment period was opened on April 29, 2021. No comments were received by the pre-meeting deadline on June 10, 2021.

Post-evaluation Comments

The spring 2021 Cardiovascular <u>draft technical report</u> was posted on the <u>project webpage</u> for a 30-day public and NQF member comment period on August 27, 2021. NQF did not receive any comments by the comment period deadline on September 27, 2021. Since no comments were received, the post-comment web meeting has been canceled.

NQF Member Expression of Support

Throughout the 16-week continuous public commenting period, NQF members have the opportunity to express their support ('Support' or 'Do Not Support') for each measure to inform the Standing Committee's recommendations during the commenting period. This expression of support (or not) during the commenting period replaces the member voting opportunity that was previously held subsequent to Standing Committee deliberations. During the 16-week public commenting period, NQF

did not receive any expressions of support for the measures under endorsement consideration for the current

Appendix A: NQF Member Expression of Support Results

During the 16-week public commenting period, NQF did not receive any expressions of support for the measures under endorsement consideration for the current cycle.