

THE NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO STEERING COMMITTEE AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANELS CHILD HEALTH QUALITY MEASURES 2010

BACKGROUND

Child health quality is an important, though underemphasized area of measure development and endorsement. To date, NQF has endorsed more than 70 pediatric and perinatal measures. The set of NQF endorsed measures has steadily risen over the last several years, with emphasis in the areas of perinatal and neonatal care, chronic illness care, and care for hospitalized children.

In November 2009, NQF convened a Child Health Outcomes Steering Committee to identify, evaluate and endorse additional measures suitable for public reporting and quality improvement that specifically address outcomes of child health. This project included both cross-cutting and condition-specific outcome measures. The Child Health Outcomes Project also identified gaps in existing outcome measures.

OVERVIEW: The Committee convened for the 2010 Child Health Outcomes Project will serve as the Committee for this project. However, NQF is seeking nominations for additional members of the Committee and/or Technical Advisory Panels (TAPs) to address specific topics included in the call for measures. Specific areas of expertise needed may include, but are not limited to: prevention, dental health, diabetes, emergency care, and obstetrics/gynecology.

Steering Committee and TAP members should not have a vested interest in the candidate measures. This includes employees or contractors of measure owners/developers; members of workgroups that developed the measures; and members of committees that approve measures, or direct or set policy for measure development. All potential Steering Committee and TAP members must disclose any current and past activities during the nomination process.

TIME COMMITMENT: *The Steering Committee will meet in person for a two-day meeting on November 8-9th, 2010 in Washington, DC.* Additionally, Steering Committee members will meet throughout the project via conference call (most calls are scheduled for two hours).

CONSIDERATION AND SUBSTITUTION: Priority will be given to nominations from NQF Members. Please note that nominations are to an individual, not an

organization, so “substitutions” of other individuals from an organization at conference calls are not permitted.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: All nominations **MUST** be submitted by **6:00pm EST on August 30, 2010.**

QUESTIONS: If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Theberge, MPH at 202.783.1300 or via email at childhealth@qualityforum.org.