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Common Formats Expert Panel Webinar

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Welcome



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Housekeeping Rules

During the discussions, Expert Panel should:

- Remain engaged in the discussion without distractions
- Attend the meeting at all times
- Keep comments concise and focused
- Allow others to contribute

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Introductions and Meeting Objectives

Agenda

- Meeting Objectives
- Introductions and Role Call
- AHRQ Introduction of Common Formats for Event Reporting – Diagnostic Safety (CFER-DS)
- Expert Panel Comment Review and Discussion
- Public Comment
- Next Steps



Meeting Objectives

- The purpose of this meeting is for the Expert Panel to consider and make recommendations on comments received about Common Formats reporting forms for Event Reporting – Diagnostic Safety Version 0.1 (CFER-DS).
 - CFER-DS Guide Version 0.1
 - CFER-DS Event Description Version 0.1
 - CFER-DS Form Version 0.1

Common Formats Expert Panel

*new appointments

- David Classen, MD, MS (Co-chair)
- Matthew Grissinger, RPh, MS, FISMP, FASHP (Co-chair)
- Debra Bakerjian, PhD, MSN, FNP
- Charisse Cassell, BSN, MPH*
- Gerard Castro, MPH
- Richard Dutton, MD, MBA
- Peter Elkin, MD, MACP, FACMI
- Mark Graber, MD*
- Helen Lau, RN, MHROD, BSN, BMus
- Lisa McGiffert*
- Lori Paine, RN, MS
- Shannon Phillips, MD, MPH, FAAP
- Jyortimay “Joe” Sharma, MD, FACS, FACE*
- Heather Sherman, PhD
- David Stockwell, MD, MBA

AHRQ Team

- Cathryn Bach - PSO Division, CQuIPS
- Elizabeth Bainger, DNP, RN, CPHQ – General Patient Safety Division, CQuIPS
- Jeff Brady, MD – Director, Center for Patient Safety and Quality Improvement (CQuIPS)
- Paula DiStabile, RN, MSN, JD – PSO Division, CQuIPS
- Deborah Harper – PSO Division, Contractor
- Hamid Jalal, MD – PSO Division, CQuIPS
- Stephen Raab, MD – General Patient Safety Division, CQuIPS
- Venice Rashford, MS, RN, CCM – PSO Division, CQuIPS
- David Rodrick, PhD - General Patient Safety Division, CQuIPS
- Tselote Tilahun – PSO Division, CQuIPS
- Andrea Timashenka, JD - Director, PSO Division, CQuIPS
- Ira Yanowitz, MD, JD – PSO Division, Contractor



Common Formats Expert Panel – Advisors

- Richard White, MD
 - ▣ Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)



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AHRQ Introduction of Common Formats for Event Reporting – Diagnostic Safety (CFER-DS)

Jeff Brady

**Director, Center for Quality Improvement and
Patient Safety (CQuIPS)**

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Andrea Timashenka

Director, PSO Division

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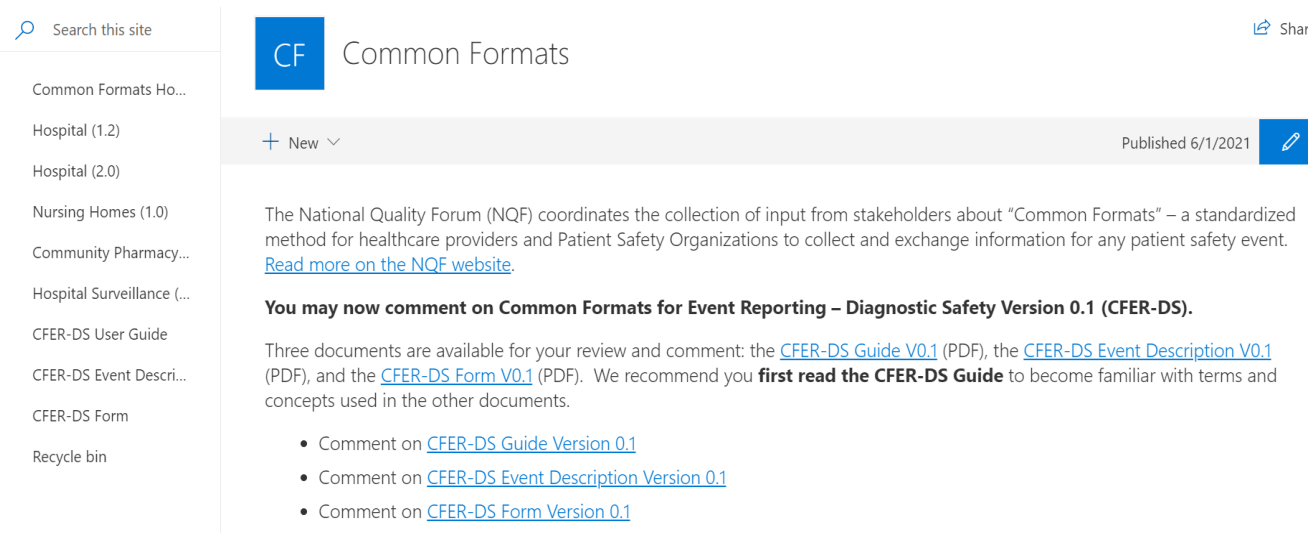
Development of CFER-DS



- AHRQ CQuIPS staff developed initial draft
- Received input from SMEs
- Conducted usability testing
- Reviewed by Federal Patient Safety Workgroup
- Received public comment (version 0.1)
- Now – NQF Expert Panel review

CFER-DS v0.1

- Three documents made available for comment:
 - ▶ Guide
 - ▶ Event Descriptions
 - ▶ Forms



The screenshot shows the 'Common Formats' website. On the left is a sidebar with a search bar and a list of links: 'Common Formats Ho...', 'Hospital (1.2)', 'Hospital (2.0)', 'Nursing Homes (1.0)', 'Community Pharmacy...', 'Hospital Surveillance (...)', 'CFER-DS User Guide', 'CFER-DS Event Descri...', 'CFER-DS Form', and 'Recycle bin'. The main content area has a blue header with 'CF Common Formats' and a 'Shar' button. Below the header is a '+ New' button and a 'Published 6/1/2021' date. The main text states: 'The National Quality Forum (NQF) coordinates the collection of input from stakeholders about "Common Formats" – a standardized method for healthcare providers and Patient Safety Organizations to collect and exchange information for any patient safety event. [Read more on the NQF website.](#)' This is followed by a bold heading: 'You may now comment on Common Formats for Event Reporting – Diagnostic Safety Version 0.1 (CFER-DS).' Below this, it says: 'Three documents are available for your review and comment: the [CFER-DS Guide V0.1](#) (PDF), the [CFER-DS Event Description V0.1](#) (PDF), and the [CFER-DS Form V0.1](#) (PDF). We recommend you **first read the CFER-DS Guide** to become familiar with terms and concepts used in the other documents.' A bulleted list follows: '• Comment on [CFER-DS Guide Version 0.1](#)', '• Comment on [CFER-DS Event Description Version 0.1](#)', and '• Comment on [CFER-DS Form Version 0.1](#)'.

Considerations for Expert Panel

- Common Formats are a set of standardized definitions and formats that make it possible to collect, aggregate, and analyze uniformly structured information about patient safety for local, regional, and national learning.
- While some data elements may be captured by the front line, CFERs are not intended to be used as an incident reporting form. Users decide if and how to integrate collection of specific data elements into their incident reporting systems and other existing work processes.
- As with all CFER, the CFER-DS does not prescribe or place limitations on how it is to be implemented or who should participate in collecting the various CFER data elements.

Considerations for Expert Panel review, Part 2



- Categorization of comments, including:
 - ▶ AHRQ prepared some additional comments specific to certain public comments to aid your review.
 - ▶ AHRQ will prepare draft revisions in response to certain comments for future EP review
- “Trade-offs”
- Specific recommendations appreciated.
- AHRQ here if you have questions.

Thank
you !

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Expert Panel Comment Review and Discussion

					Total # Comments By Color Category									
		Color Scheme Key	Green	Comment ready for Panel review as-is				42						
		Note: muted versions of the colors reflect AHRQ's suggestion to consider a group of comments together	Yellow	AHRQ has provided additional background information in "AHRQ notes" column that it requests Panel review when considering the comments.				35						
		Common Formats for Event Reporting - Diagnostic Safety (CFER-DS) Public Comments for Discussion August 23, 2021 Meeting												
Color Category	Comment Number	Document	Section	NQF Member or Public Comment	To AHRQ	AHRQ Notes	Breakout Option	Expert Panel Action Date	on & Recommendations I	on & Recommendations II	Expert Panel Discussion Summary			
are	1	Guide	Background and Purpose	Agree that "Having a common frame of reference and standardized data elements" is important for national, local and organizational learning. There are some elements of the report form that seem vague and too widely open to interpretation to permit confidence in the collection instrument.	No		Input here	Input here	Input here	Input here	Input here			
are	2	Guide	Preparing to Complete the CFER-DS	It seems that patient complaints/grievances may not trigger the same organizational responses to possible diagnostic safety events. Often the former may be dealt with at the unit level unless of significant concern to warrant patient safety involvement. The latter will most certainly involve much more extensive resources provided/supported by hospital executive administration. In thinking about using this data long term, suggest separating these into	No		[Input Here]	[Input Here]	[Input Here]	[Input Here]	Input here			

Public Comment

Next Steps

Upcoming Meetings

- Common Formats Expert Panel Webinar #2: September 22, 2021, 1-3pm ET
- Common Formats Expert Panel Webinar #3: October 18, 2021, 1-3pm ET



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