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Memo

August 14, 2020

To: NQF members

From: NQF staff

Re: Cost and Efficiency, spring 2020 cycle draft report for review

Background

This report reflects the review of measures in the Cost and Efficiency project. The National Quality Forum (NQF) Cost and Efficiency Standing Committee oversees NQF's portfolio of cost and efficiency measures. The 24-person Cost and Efficiency Standing Committee reviewed six measures. One measure was recommended for endorsement; two were not recommended for endorsement; and the Committee did not reach consensus for three of the measures.

Recommended Measures:

- NQF 3562 Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary – Post Acute Care Measure for Long-Term Care Hospitals (Acumen, LLC)

Measures Not Recommended:

- NQF 3561 Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary – Post Acute Care Measure for Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (Acumen, LLC)
- NQF 3574 Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary (MSBP) Clinician (Acumen, LLC)

Consensus Not Reached:

- NQF 3563 Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary – Post Acute Care Measure for Skilled-Nursing Facilities (Acumen, LLC)
- NQF 3564 Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary – Post Acute Care Measure for Home Health Agencies (Abt Associates)
- NQF 3575 Total Per Capita Cost (TPCC) (Acumen, LLC)

The Committee requests comments on all measures, but specifically for the measures where consensus was not reached.

NQF Member and Public Commenting

NQF members and the public are encouraged to provide comments on the draft report as a whole or on the specific measures evaluated by the Cost and Efficiency Standing Committee via the online commenting tool.

Please note that commenting concludes on September 14, 2020 at 6:00 pm ET—no exceptions.

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