



September 7, 2018

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

## Background

For this project, the Standing Committee evaluated one measure undergoing maintenance review against NQF's standard evaluation criteria, NQF # 0496 *Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients*.

## Comments Received

NQF solicits comments on measures undergoing review in various ways and at various times throughout the evaluation process. First, NQF solicits comments on endorsed measures on an ongoing basis through the Quality Positioning System (QPS). Second, NQF solicits member and public comments during a 16-week comment period via an online tool on the project webpage.

## Pre-evaluation Comments

NQF solicits comments prior to the evaluation of the measures via an online tool on the project webpage. For this evaluation cycle, the commenting period opened on May 8, 2018 and closed on September 05, 2018. As of June 2018, no comments were submitted and shared with the Committee prior to the measure evaluation meeting.

## Post-evaluation Comments

The draft report was posted on the project webpage for public and NQF member comment on August 7, 2018 for 30 calendar days. During this commenting period, NQF received one comment from one member organization:

Member Council	# of Member Organizations Who Commented
Consumer	1
Health Plan	0
Health Professional	0
Provider Organization	0
Public/Community Health Agency	0
Purchaser	0
QMRI	0
Supplier/Industry	0

Since all comments received were in support of the Committee's recommendations, the post-comment web meeting has been canceled. The Standing Committee's recommendations will be reviewed by the Consensus Standards Approval Committee (CSAC) on October 23-24. The CSAC will determine whether or not to uphold the Standing Committee's recommendation for each measure submitted for endorsement consideration. All Committee members are encouraged to attend the CSAC meeting to listen to the discussion.

### **NQF Member Expression of Support**

Throughout the 16-week continuous public commenting period, NQF members had the opportunity to express their support ('support' or 'do not support') for each measure submitted for endorsement consideration to inform the Committee's recommendations. One NQF member provided an expression of support: See Appendix A.

## Appendix A: NQF Member Expression of Support Results

One NQF member provided an expression of support. Results for each measure are provided below.

### **NQF #0496 *Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients* (The Lewin Group/ Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services)**

Member Council	Support	Do Not Support	Total
Consumer	0	1	1
Health Plan	0	0	0
Health Professional	0	0	0
Provider Organization	0	0	0
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0
Purchaser	0	0	0
QMRI	0	0	0
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0
<b>All Councils</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>