



Disparities Committee In-Person Meeting #2 June 14-15, 2017

NQF Conference Center at 1030 15th Street NW, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20005

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Meeting Objectives

- Finalize the conceptual framework, which outlines how measurement can be used to reduce health and healthcare disparities.
- Identify gaps in measurement and identify measure concepts to be developed to assess efforts to reduce disparities in health and health care and outcomes for the selected conditions.
- Discuss policy recommendations to drive the reduction of health and healthcare disparities through measurement.
- Discuss the outcomes of the SDS risk adjustment trial evaluation

Day 1: June 14, 2017

8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Welcome Remarks and Review of Meeting Objectives <i>Marshall Chin, Co-Chair</i> <i>Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair</i> <i>Helen Burstin, Chief Scientific Officer</i> <i>Erin O’Rourke, Senior Director</i>
9:05 am	Project Overview <i>Tara Murphy, Project Manager</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remaining timeline and deliverables• Results of environmental scan

- Final measurement domains

9:15 am

Review Equity Measurement Framework

Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- Discuss the disparities sensitive criteria
- Discuss the domains of measurement
 - How the five measurement domains fit together?
 - How do they relate to existing measurement domains?

10:00 am

Guidance for Developing Equity Measures

Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- Discuss ideal state for equity measurement:
 - Are the measures identified through the scan part of the ideal state or would further development be preferable?
 - Should measures be condition-specific or cross-cutting?
 - What domains need the most development and in what areas?
- Discuss gaps in measurement:
 - What gaps can measure developers fill in the short term?
 - What gaps can measure developers fill in the long term?
 - Discuss example measure concepts to address gaps

11:55 am

Opportunity for Public Comment

12:00 pm

Lunch

12:15 pm

NCQA & NAM Health Literacy Roundtable

Sarah Scholle, NCQA

12:30 pm

Guidance on Implementing Equity Measures

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- Review potential implementation recommendations from ASPE and NAM
- Review Committee's implementation guidance to date

12:45 pm

Guidance on Leveraging Existing Quality Initiatives

Marshall Chin, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- What types of measures are most important for public reporting and accountability programs?
- What existing programs, tools, policies, etc. can be leveraged to incentivize the use of measures in this area?
- How can equity measures be incorporated into existing CMS programs?

- What requirements and incentives could be incorporated into existing CMS programs to achieve equity?
- Can the stratification of existing measures support equity? How do we maximize the value of the measures already in use?

1:45 pm

Guidance on Data and Scoring

Marshall Chin, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- When to stratify, when to risk adjust, and when to consider both?
- What are appropriate comparison groups and units of analysis?
- Should programs reward absolute thresholds of performance, improvement, reduction in disparities, or combinations of these?
- How can we get better data on social risk factors for both measurement and patient care?
- How do we address sample size issues?

3:00 pm

Break

3:15 pm

Guidance on Incentivizing the Reduction of Disparities

Marshall Chin, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager

- How do we secure buy-in from those being measured?
- How do we minimize the burden of additional measures and ensure equity measurement is meaningful?
- How do we most effectively use payment to reduce disparities? Base payments and/or bonus payments?
- How to ensure adequate flow of funds to address social determinants of health and preventive infrastructure under different payment mechanisms (ranging from P4P-type value-based payment programs to different forms of global/capitated/bundled payment)?
- Are there other ways measurement can be leveraged to reduce disparities?

4:30 pm

Opportunity for Public Comment

4:45 pm

Next Steps

Marshall Chin, Co-Chair

Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair

Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director

- Review decisions made on day one

5:00 pm

Adjourn

Day 2: June 15, 2017

8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Welcome <i>Marshall Chin, Co-Chair</i> <i>Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair</i> <i>Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Day two agenda
9:15 am	Recap of Day 1 <i>Andrew Anderson, Senior Project Manager</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss recommendations for dissemination of Committee's work
9:30 am	Finalize Implementation Recommendations <i>Marshall Chin, Co-Chair</i> <i>Erin, O'Rourke, Senior Director</i>
10:30 am	Finalize the Roadmap <i>Marshall Chin, Co-Chair</i> <i>Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review framework for equity measurement• Review guidance on current measures and measurement gaps• Review implementation recommendations• Unify and summarize the Committee's work
11:45 am	Opportunity for Public Comment
12:00 pm	Working Lunch - Dissemination Ideas
12:30 pm	Review and Evaluate NQF SDS Trial Period <i>Ninez Ponce, Co-Chair</i> <i>Helen Burstin, Chief Scientific Officer</i> <i>Erin O'Rourke, Senior Director</i>
2:45 pm	Opportunity for Public Comment
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