

NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM

TO: Consensus Standards Approval Committee

FR: Sally Turbyville, MA, MS; Ian Corbridge, MPH, RN; Sarah Fanta

RE: Results of Voting for *National Voluntary Consensus Standards for Imaging Efficiency: A Consensus Report*

DA: September 8, 2010

The CSAC reviewed the draft report *National Voluntary Consensus Standards for Imaging Efficiency: A Consensus Report* on the September 8th conference call. A previous memo provided summary information about the project and the comments received. This memo includes the Member voting results. The complete [voting draft report](#) and supplemental materials are available on the [project page](#).

CSAC ACTION REQUIRED

Pursuant to the CDP, the CSAC may consider approval of six imaging efficiency measures specified in the “voting draft” of *National Voluntary Consensus Standards Imaging Efficiency: A Consensus Report*.

NQF MEMBER VOTING

The 30-day voting period for the Imaging Efficiency report closed on September 10, 2010. Thirty-two member organizations voted; no votes were received from the Public/Community Health Agency or the Supplier/Industry Councils.

Voting Results

Voting results for the six candidate consensus standards are provided below.

MEASURE IEP-005-10: Pulmonary CT imaging for patients at low risk for pulmonary embolism (Brigham and Women’s Hospital)

Measure IEP-005-10	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain			
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)
Health Plan	4	0	0	4	100%	
Health Professional	10	0	3	13	100%	100%
Provider Organizations	4	3	1	8	57%	Average Council Approval Rate
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0		
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%	
QMRI	3	0	1	4	100%	93%
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0	0		
All Councils	24	3	5	32	89%	

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MEASURE IEP-007-10: Appropriate head CT imaging in adults with mild traumatic brain injury (Brigham and Women's Hospital)

Measure IEP-007-10		Approve	Disapprove	Abstain			
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils	
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)	
Health Plan	3	1	0	4	75%		
Health Professional	12	0	1	13	100%		100%
Provider Organizations	4	3	1	8	57%		
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0			Average
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%		Council Approval Rate
QMRI	3	0	1	4	100%		
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0	0			89%
All Councils	25	4	3	32	86%		

MEASURE IEP-010-10: Cardiac imaging for preoperative risk assessment for non-cardiac low-risk surgery (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services)

Measure IEP-010-10		Approve	Disapprove	Abstain			
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils	
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)	
Health Plan	4	0	0	4	100%		
Health Professional	9	1	3	13	90%		83%
Provider Organizations	4	2	2	8	67%		
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0			Average
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%		Council Approval Rate
QMRI	2	2	0	4	50%		
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0	0			84%
All Councils	22	5	5	32	81%		

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MEASURE IEP-014-10: Cardiac stress imaging not meeting appropriate use criteria: preoperative evaluation in low risk surgery patients (American College of Cardiology)

Measure IEP-014-10							
	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain				
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils	
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)	
Health Plan	4	0	0	4	100%		
Health Professional	10	0	3	13	100%		100%
Provider Organizations	5	1	2	8	83%		
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0			Average
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%		Council Approval Rate
QMRI	3	1	0	4	75%		
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0	0			93%
All Councils	25	2	5	32	93%		

MEASURE IEP-015-10: Cardiac stress imaging not meeting appropriate use criteria: routine testing after percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI) (American College of Cardiology)

Measure IEP-015-10							
	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain				
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils	
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)	
Health Plan	4	0	0	4	100%		
Health Professional	9	0	4	13	100%		100%
Provider Organizations	4	1	3	8	80%		
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0			Average
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%		Council Approval Rate
QMRI	3	1	0	4	75%		

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MEASURE IEP-016-10: Cardiac stress imaging not meeting appropriate use criteria: testing in asymptomatic, low risk patients (American College of Cardiology)

Measure IEP-016-10	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain			
Measure Council	Yes	No	Abstain	Total Votes	% Approval Yes/ (Total - Abstain)	% of Councils
Consumer	1	0	0	1	100%	Approving (>50%)
Health Plan	4	0	0	4	100%	
Health Professional	10	0	3	13	100%	100%
Provider Organizations	4	1	3	8	80%	Average Council Approval Rate
Public/Community Health Agency	0	0	0	0		
Purchaser	2	0	0	2	100%	
QMRI	3	1	0	4	75%	93%
Supplier/Industry	0	0	0	0		
All Councils	24	2	6	32	92%	