

# NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM

## ESRD Quality Measures Steering Committee January 11-12, 2011

Meeting Site to be Determined  
Washington, DC

### DRAFT AGENDA

#### Day 1 - January 11

- 9:00 am      **Welcome**  
*Helen Burstin, MD, MPH Senior Vice President of Performance Measures*  
*Peter Crooks, MD (Co-Chair)*  
*Kristine Schonder, PharmD (Co-Chair)*  
*Karen Pace, PhD, RN, Senior Program Director*  
*Lauren Richie, MA, Project Manager*
- Introductions and Disclosures of Interest**  
*Ann Hammersmith, General Counsel*
- 9:30 am      **Project Introduction and Overview of Evaluation Process**  
*Dr. Pace*  
*Ms. Richie*
- 10:00 am      **NQF Member/Public Comment**
- 10:15 am      **Break**
- 10:25 am      **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**  
Dialysis Adequacy and Nutrition
- **1418** Frequency of Adequacy Measurement for Pediatric Hemodialysis Patients
  - **1421** Method of Adequacy Measurement for Pediatric Hemodialysis Patients
  - **1423** Minimum spKt/V for Pediatric Hemodialysis Patients
  - **1425** Measurement of nPCR for Pediatric Hemodialysis Patients
- 12:00 pm      **Lunch break**
- 12:40 pm      **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**  
Anemia
- **1426** Assessment of Iron Stores
  - **1431** Measurement of Iron Stores for Pediatric Patients
  - **1428** Use of Iron Therapy When Indicated
  - **1433** Use of Iron Therapy for Pediatric Patients
  - **1429** Avoidance of Iron Therapy in Iron Overload
  - **1424** Monthly Hemoglobin Measurement for Pediatric Patients

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- **1430** Lower Limit of Hemoglobin for Pediatric Patients

2:20 pm **Break**

2:30 pm **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**

Fluid Weight Management

- **1432** Dietary Sodium Reduction Advice
- **1434** Sodium Profiling Practice for Hemodialysis
- **1435** Restriction of Dialysate Sodium
- **1437** Utilization of Dialysis Duration of Four Hours or Longer for Patients New to Dialysis
- **1439** Utilization of High Ultrafiltration Rate for Fluid Removal
- **1438** Periodic Assessment of Post-Dialysis Weight by Nephrologist

4:00 pm **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**

Mineral Metabolism

- **1454** Proportion of patients with hypercalcemia
- **1427** Adult dialysis patients - serum phosphorus greater than 6 mg/dl
- **1461** Proportion of patients with hypophosphatemia

5:00 pm **NQF Member/Public Comment**

5:15 pm **Adjourn**

## **Day 2 - January 12**

8:30 am **Welcome, Recap of Day One**

*Dr. Crooks*

*Dr. Schonder*

8:45 am **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**

Hospitalization

- **1463** Standardized Hospitalization Ratio for Admissions
- **1464** Standardized Hospitalization Ratio for Days

9:30 am **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**

Infection

- **1477** National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Intravenous (IV) Antibiotic Start Measure
- **1460** National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Bloodstream Infection Measure
- **1478** National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Vascular Access-Related Bloodstream Infection Measure

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10:30 am **Break**

## **Consideration of Candidate Measures:**

### Infection (cont'd)

- **1456** Bacteremia (rate)
- **1457** Access-related Bacteremia (rate) [stratified by access]
- **1455** Access-related Bacteremia – using Medicare claims (rate) [stratified by access]
- **1449** Unavailable Blood Culture Results (percentage)
- **1453** Clinically Confirmed Infection (rate)
- **1469** Clinically Confirmed Access-related Infection (rate) [stratified by access]
- **1450** Unavailable Clinical Confirmation (percentage)

12:00 pm **NQF Member/Public Comment**

12:15 pm **Lunch break**

12:45 pm **Research Recommendations/Performance Measure Gaps**

1:15 pm **Related and Competing Measures**  
Measure Harmonization/ Selection of Best Measure from  
Among Competing Measures

2:55 pm **Break**

3:05 pm **NQF Member/Public Comment**

3:20 pm **Next Steps/Timeline for Project**

3:30 pm **Adjourn**