



Measure Sets and Measurement Systems

BACKGROUND

Performance measurement is an essential element of healthcare system transformation. However, the current measurement infrastructure faces a number of important challenges that current approaches have failed to overcome. There is a need to better understand scientific properties between individual performance measures and the context of how they are used. In this project, we will explore the concepts of measure sets: groups of individual measures often created based on intent or to assess quality from a specific aspect of care; and measurement systems: the interplay between a measure and its use to achieve a specific goal or to make inferences about provider performance. While multi-stakeholder review of individual measures is well established, these measures are increasingly used to support value-based purchasing programs and the development of alternative payment models. This project seeks to lay the foundation for stakeholders to define measure sets and measurement systems and approaches to evaluate each.

TECHNICAL EXPERT PANEL CHARGE

NQF will convene a Technical Expert Panel to accomplish the following:

- Develop standardized definitions for measure sets and measurement systems
- Define best practices and principles for measure sets and measurement systems
- Discuss data issues for measure sets and measurement systems
- Identify unintended consequences of measure sets and measurement systems

TECHNICAL EXPERT PANEL STRUCTURE

The TEP will include no more than 25 individuals seated for one year. Within the TEP, two subgroups will exist. One group will focus on the development of guidance for measure sets and the other group will focus on the development of criteria and guidance for measurement systems. For the majority of the project the subgroups will convene independently, but there will be several opportunities throughout the project when the full TEP is convened.

NQF will convene the members of the TEP for a total of four conference calls and six web meetings through March 2020.

Participation on the Panel requires a significant time commitment. To apply, panel members should be available to participate in all currently scheduled calls/meetings. Over the course of the project, additional calls may be scheduled or calls may be rescheduled based on project needs; new dates will be set based on the availability of the majority of the Panel. **Panel participation includes:**

- Participation in the TEP orientation web meeting
- Participation in up to four subgroup web meetings
- Participation in two full TEP web meetings

Table of scheduled meeting dates

Meeting	Date/Time
Orientation Meeting	June 26, 2019 at 3:00PM-5:00PM ET
Measure Sets Subgroup Meeting #1	July 9, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Measurement Systems Subgroup Meeting #1	July 17, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Measure Sets Subgroup Meeting #2	August 14, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Measurement Systems Subgroup Meeting #2	August 20, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Full TEP Meeting	September 18, 2019 at 3:00-5:00 PM ET
Measurement Systems Subgroup Meeting #3	September 26, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Full TEP Meeting	October 30, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Measure Sets Subgroup Meeting #3	November 21, 2019 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET
Measurement Systems Subgroup Meeting #4	March 17, 2020 at 12:00PM-2:00 PM ET

PREFERRED EXPERTISE & COMPOSITION

TEP members will be selected to ensure representation from a variety of stakeholders, including patients and their advocates, purchasers, public and private payers, clinicians, provider groups, measure developers and/or implementors, statisticians, and health services researchers. NQF also seeks nominees with experience in performance-based payment, population health, and healthcare disparities. Priority may be given to individuals who have previously participated in NQF activities. Because NQF attempts to represent a diversity of stakeholder perspectives, a limited number of individuals from each of these stakeholder groups can be seated on a TEP.

Please review the NQF conflict of interest policy to learn about how NQF identifies potential conflicts of interest. All potential TEP members must disclose any current and past activities prior to and during the nomination process in order to be considered.

CONSIDERATION & SUBSTITUTION

Priority will be given to nominations from NQF members when nominee expertise is comparable. Please note that nominations are for an individual, not an organization, so “substitutions” of other individuals are not permitted. Panel members are encouraged to engage colleagues and

solicit their input throughout the process.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Nominations are sought for individual subject matter experts. Self-nominations are welcome. Third-party nominations must indicate that the individual has been contacted and is willing to serve.

To nominate an individual to the Technical Expert Panel, please **submit** the following information:

- Completed [online nomination form](#), including:
 - Brief statement of interest
 - Brief description of nominee expertise highlighting experience relevant to the committee
 - Short biography (maximum 100 words), highlighting experience/knowledge relevant to the expertise described above
 - Curriculum vitae or list of relevant experience (e.g., publications) *up to 20 pages*
- Completed disclosure of interest form. This will be requested upon your submission of the nominations form for Committees actively seeking nominees.
- Confirmation of availability to participate in currently scheduled calls and meeting dates. Panels or projects actively seeking nominees will solicit this information upon submission of the online nomination form.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

All nominations **MUST** be submitted by **6:00 pm ET on May 20, 2019**.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Kalumo-Banda or Madison Jung at 202-783-1300 or measuresets@qualityforum.org. Thank you for your interest.