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Building a Roadmap from Patient-Reported Outcome Measures to Patient-Reported Outcome-Performance Measures

Web Meeting #1

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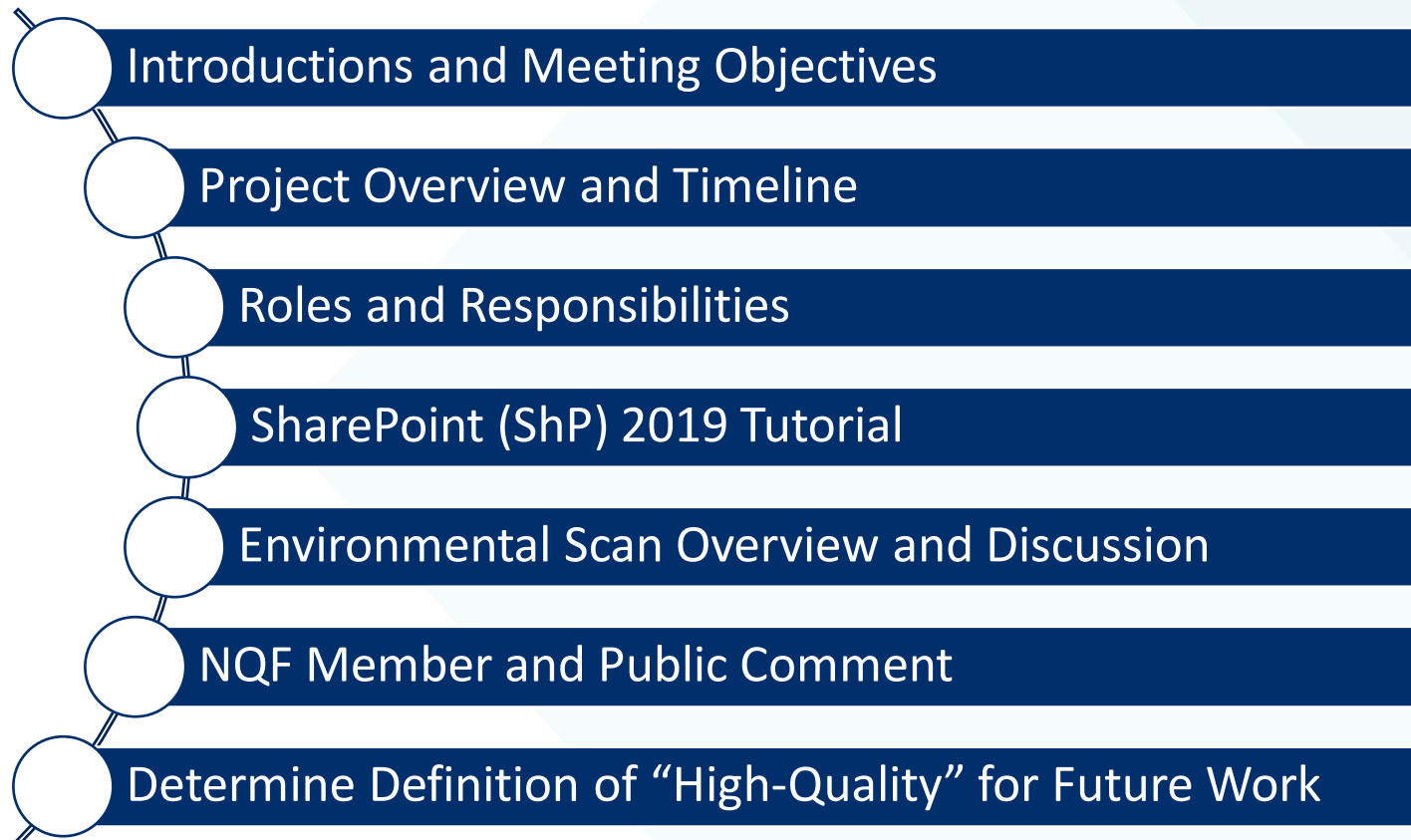
Welcome



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Agenda



Introductions and Meeting Objectives



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Meeting Objectives

- Orient the TEP to the background, scope, and objectives of the project
- Present environmental scan results to date
- Obtain additional input on the environmental scan scope and sources of information that can supplement initial results
- Determine definition of “high-quality” for future work

Project Overview and Timeline



The National Quality Forum: A Unique Role

- **History:** Established in 1999, NQF is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership-based organization.
- **Consensus-Based Entity (CBE):** NQF brings together public and private sector stakeholders to reach consensus on healthcare performance measurement. The goal is to make healthcare in the U.S. better, safer, and more affordable.
- **Mission:** To be the trusted voice driving measurable health improvements
- **Vision:** Every person experiences high value care and optimal health outcomes

Project Overview

- Identify attributes of high-quality patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs)
- Create step-by-step guidance for using these PROMs as the foundation for developing digital patient-reported outcome-performance measures (PRO-PMs) for CMS regulatory purposes

True North Statement

- There is currently a gap between hundreds of existing PROMs and only a few dozen PROM-based Patient-Reported Outcome-Performance Measures. This project will provide guidance to developing PROM-based PRO-PMs for use in CMS accountability programs by identifying key attributes of high-quality PROMs and creating step-by-step guidance on utilizing these PROMs to develop fully tested digital PRO-PMs.

NQF's Approach

- **Convene a multi-stakeholder TEP** that represents diverse perspectives—including patients, clinicians, measure developers, and health IT specialists—on PROMs and PRO-PMs
- **Identify federal liaisons** from diverse federal agencies who can speak to the agencies' use of PROMs and PRO-PMs
- **Host 90-minute web meetings** where the TEP discusses pertinent topics and provides guidance
- **Facilitate supplemental means of gathering information**, including surveys, key informant interviews, and focus groups
- **Develop reports and recommendations**



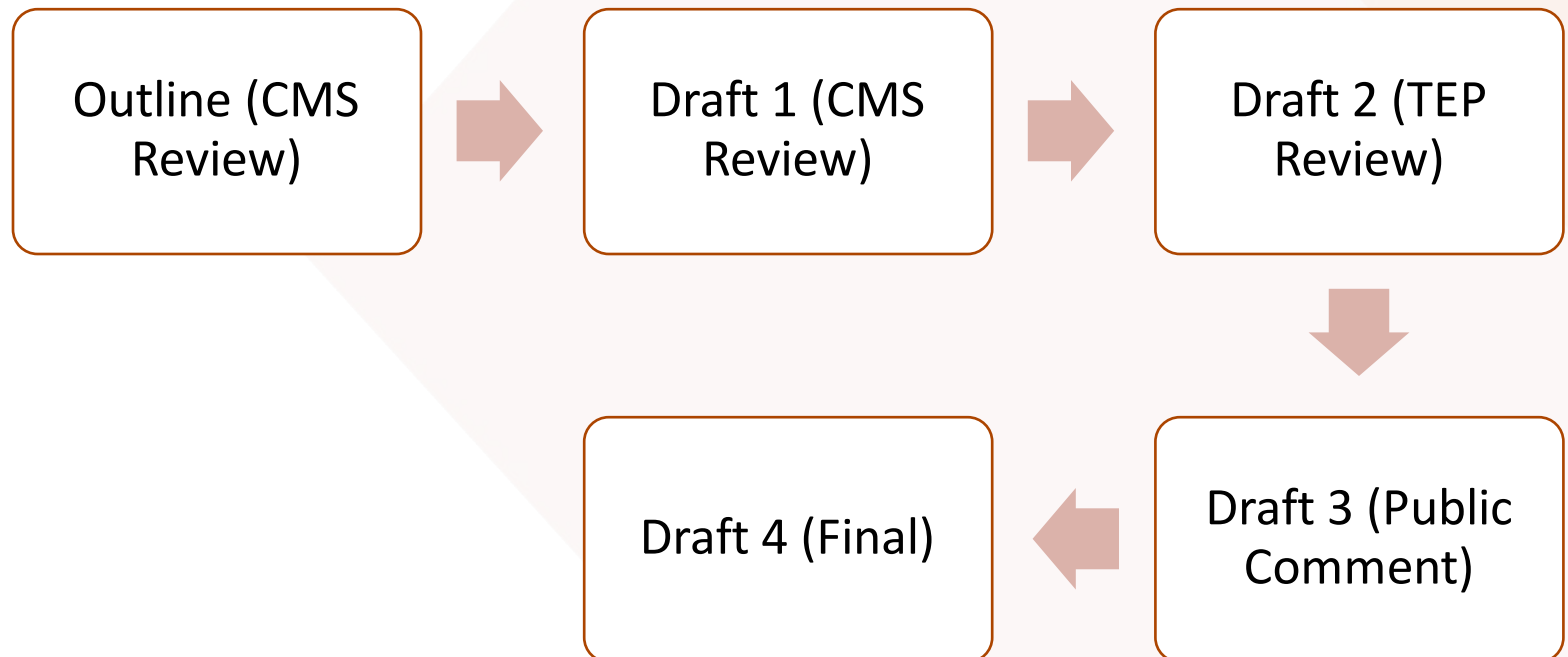
Deliverables (Base Year)

- **Environmental Scan Report:** current-state of high-quality PROMs and digital PRO-PMs for CMS regulatory purposes
- **Interim Report:** attributes of high-quality PROMs, including those in CMS Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) programs, Alternative Payment Models (APMs), or coverage determination
- **Technical Guidance:** step-by-step roadmap for using PROMs to develop digital PRO-PMs that meet NQF endorsement criteria



Report Stages

- Each report follows a development lifecycle that allows input from different expert perspectives





Web Meeting Timeline (Base Year)

Meeting	Meeting Date
Web Meeting #1 – Orientation	January 26, 2021
Web Meeting #2 – Environmental Scan	February 26, 2021
Web Meeting #3 – Environmental Scan Public Comments Feedback, Interim Report Discussion	March 25, 2021
Web Meeting #4 – PROMs Key Findings, Interim Report Feedback	April 29, 2021
Web Meeting #5 – Interim Report Feedback, Technical Guidance Discussion	May 25, 2021
Web Meeting #6 – Interim Report Public Comments Feedback, Technical Guidance	June 24, 2021
Web Meeting #7 – Technical Guidance Feedback	August 3, 2021
Web Meeting #8 – Technical Guidance Public Comments, Final Recommendations	September 29, 2021



Option Year

- Convene six TEP web meetings
- Update the Environmental Scan Report from the Base Year
- Conduct Key Informant Interviews to prepare a Developer Feedback Report
- Update the Technical Guidance Outline based on the findings of the Developer Feedback Report and the updated Environmental Scan Report



Deliverables (Option Year)

- **Developer Feedback Report:** discussion of user experience with the Technical Guidance and suggestions for new topics to be included in an updated version of the guidance
- **Updated Environmental Scan Report:** updated current-state assessment, based on materials not available during base year
- **Updated Technical Guidance:** revised version of the step-by-step roadmap based on the findings of the Developer Feedback Report and the updated Environmental Scan Report

Roles and Responsibilities



Roles and Responsibilities of the TEP

- Serve as experts working with NQF staff to achieve the project goals
- Review meeting materials in advance and engage in eight, 90-minute web meetings during 2021, with the possibility of an additional six 90-minute web meetings afterwards
- Steer development of project deliverables by reviewing drafts and providing guidance
- Participate in supplemental information gathering activities as needed, e.g., surveys, key informant interviews, focus groups
- Respond to public comments submitted during the review period
- Provide additional feedback and input as needed

Providing Input

- **How to provide input during the web meetings?** Provide timely input on major deliverables during facilitated discussion in the TEP meetings, either verbally to the TEP or by messaging the project team (via chat box)
- **How to provide input outside of the meetings?**
 - ▣ Submit requested input via offline survey questions (as applicable)
 - ▣ Provide written comments on draft deliverables during TEP review
 - ▣ Participate in interviews and/or focus groups (as applicable)
 - ▣ Submit additional input on major deliverables through the project inbox (propmroadmap@qualityforum.org)



Roles of the Co-Chairs

- Group leaders and facilitators of the TEP
- Assist in facilitating TEP meetings by driving the TEP to consensus on technical guidance and outlining potential path forward for areas where consensus cannot be reached
- Keep the TEP focused and on track to meet project goals without hindering critical discussion/input
- Assist NQF staff in identifying key issues for TEP discussion

Roles of the Federal Liaisons

- Attend and listen to web meetings
- Serve as a resource to supplement TEP discussions
- Provide input on important topics such as practical consideration of data needs, ongoing challenges that federal programs face, etc.
- Provide factual reviews and evaluations of project deliverables
- Provide perspective of current- and future-state PROM and PRO-PM needs at the federal level

Roles of the NQF Staff

- Serve as a neutral convener of multistakeholder representatives
- Work with the TEP to facilitate consensus development and to achieve project goals
- Organize meetings and conference calls
- Ensure communication among all project participants
- Facilitate necessary communication and collaboration between different NQF projects and external stakeholders
- Respond to NQF member and public queries about the project
- Maintain documentation of project activities
- Draft and edit reports and project materials for public commenting
- Publish final project reports

Roles of CMS

- Project funder under HHSM-500-2017-00060I –75FCMC20F0003- Building a Roadmap from Patient-Reported Outcome Measures to Patient-Reported Outcome-Performance Measures. The funding source is Social Security Act Section 1890(b)(7)(C)-(D).
- Provide input and feedback on project deliverables for completeness and accuracy
- Coordinate federal agencies' engagement
- Work with the NQF staff to forecast potential risks and create risk mitigation strategies
- CMS respects the independence of the NQF consensus development process and the TEP

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Environmental Scan Overview and Committee Discussion



Environmental Scan: Three-Pronged Approach

Focuses of the scan:

- Current-state assessment of where the industry stands with regards to identifying high-quality PROMs as the basis for digital PRO-PMs for VBP programs, APMs, and Medicare coverage determinations
- Identify current and existing available guidance on best practices for developing PRO-PMs

Literature review

VBP and APM
program review

NQF endorsement
review of PRO-PMs



Discussion: Identifying Candidate PROMs

- The Report identifies several resources for identifying high-quality PROMs. What additional resources do you recommend?
- Considering the following two constraints, what other PROMs should be considered for including in the Environmental Scan Report?
 - » Is the PROM used to measure chronic pain or functional limitations?
 - » Is the PROM currently used in a federal program (e.g., a CMS APM, by the VA, or in the HRSA UDS)?
- What PROMs are being used as the foundation of a PRO-PM that is actively in development?



Discussion: Guidance for PRO-PM developers

- What publicly available resources provide guidance related to PRO-PM development is currently available?
- What public guidance is available specifically for digital PRO-PMs?
- When new developers are hired by organizations developing measures, how are they trained on PRO-PM development?
- What skills do measure development organizations seek when hiring novice developers fresh out of school?
- Does your organization have training materials that you can share for consideration in this report?



Discussion: Other Development Challenges

- What challenges has your organization faced when attempting to develop a PRO-PM based on a specific PROM?
- What barriers have prevented your PRO-PMs from receiving NQF endorsement?
- What guidance would you recommend for increasing the likelihood that a PRO-PM is used for accountability at CMS or at commercial payers?
- What specific challenges are unique to developing digital PRO-PMs?



Discussion: Literature and Anecdotes

- Please share any published literature (peer-reviewed or grey literature) that helps expand on today's discussion
- If you have anecdotal information that you are willing to share for consideration in the Report, please contact PROPMRoadmap@qualityforum.org

NQF Member and Public Comment

Definition of “High-Quality” for Future Work



NQF Proposed Definition of “High-Quality”

- Goal: identify a **generic** definition of “high-quality PROM”
- Context: Provide examples to PRO-PM developers and/or users of the essential attributes of **high-quality** PROMs that could increase the success for the PRO-PMs built on them
- Strawman Definition: A PROM that is suitable to be the foundation for a digital PRO-PM that can be used to evaluate the performance of health care entities

Next Steps



Upcoming Web Meeting and Public Comment

- Web Meeting #2: February 26, 2021, 1:00 – 2:30 pm ET
 - ▣ Continued review and discussion of draft Environmental Scan Report
 - ▣ Ongoing discussion to define “High-Quality PROM” and identify attributes of high-quality PROMs
- Draft #2 of the Environmental Scan Report will be posted for public comment from February 24 through March 16, 2021

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