



Prevention and Population Health Fall 2017

CSAC Review and Endorsement

June 4, 2018

Prevention and Population Health

- The National Quality Forum has endorsed population health measures through various projects since the early 2000's.
- There are over 36 endorsed measures within the population health topic area, including:
 - *Health-related behaviors to promote healthy living*
 - *Community-level indicators of health and disease*
 - *Modifiable social, economic, and environmental determinants of health*
 - *Primary prevention and screening*
 - *Oral health*
- 25 process measures and 11 outcome and resource use measures

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- Seven measures under review:
 - *Weight and BMI Assessment*
 - » 1 maintenance measure
 - *Cancer Screening*
 - » 1 maintenance measure
 - *Pediatric Dentistry*
 - » 5 maintenance measures

Prevention and Population Health Standing Committee Recommendations

- Measures Recommended:
 - ▣ *0024 Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents (WCC)*
 - ▣ *0034 Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL)*
 - ▣ *2511 Utilization of Services, Dental Services*
 - ▣ *2517 Oral Evaluation, Dental Services*
 - ▣ *2528 Prevention: Topical Fluoride for Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services*
- Measures Not Recommended:
 - ▣ *2508 Prevention: Sealants for 6-9 Year-Old Children at Elevated Caries Risk*
 - ▣ *2509 Prevention: Sealants for 10-14 Year-Old Children at Elevated Caries Risk*

Recommended Measures

- **Weight and BMI Assessment – 1 measure**
 - *Types of measures: 1 process*
- **Screening – 1 measure**
 - *Types of measures: 1 process*
- **Dental Services – 3 measures**
 - *Types of measures: 3 process*

Measure Evaluation Summary

	Maintenance Measures	New Measures	TOTAL Measures
Submitted	7	0	7
Measures Recommended	5	0	5
Measures Not Recommended	2	0	2
Measures Withdrawn from Consideration	1	0	1
Reasons for not recommending:	Importance – 0 Scientific Acceptability –2 Overall – 0	Importance – 0 Scientific Acceptability – 0 Overall – 0	

Overarching Issues

- Linking Evidence to Measure Specifications
 - *The Committee expressed concerns about the link between the evidence and specifications for several measures, specifically related to measure 0024 Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents (WCC), and the definition of “high-risk” in the pediatric dentistry measures.*
- Appropriate Exclusions
 - *The Committee noted issues with the exclusions for several measures, including exclusions of limited life expectancy and the lack of exclusions in several of the pediatric dentistry measures.*
- Lack of Data on Disparities
 - *The Committee raised the issue of lack of performance data for measures where there are known disparities. The screening measures submitted for review did not include recent performance data stratified by race and ethnicity.*

Public and NQF Member Comments Received

- 15 comments were received from seven organizations (including four member organizations) and individuals.
- All comments were measure-specific and were generally supportive of the Committee's recommendations.
- **During the April 30 Post-Comment Call, the Committee re-voted on two measures where consensus was not reached:**
 - *0024 – Evidence: **H-0; M-3; L-1; I-11**; Exception to Evidence: **Y-13; N-2**; Validity: **H-0; M-10; L-3; I-2**; Overall Suitability: **Y-10; N-5***
 - *2509 – Validity: **H-0; M-8; L-6; I-1***
- The Committee also considered a request for reconsideration for one measure. The Committee voted not to reconsider the measure following discussion on a similar measure, which did not pass.

Member Expression of Support

- Two members expressed support and nonsupport on four measures:
 - *Support*
 - » 0024 Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents (WCC)
 - *Nonsupport*
 - » 2508 Prevention: Sealants for 6-9 Year-Old Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services
 - » 2509 Prevention: Sealants for 10-14 Year-Old Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services
 - » 2528 Prevention: Topical Fluoride Treatment for Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services

CSAC Checklist

Key Considerations	Yes/No	Notes
Were there any process concerns raised during the CDP project? If so, briefly explain.	No	
Did the Standing Committee receive requests for reconsideration? If so, briefly explain.	Yes	The Standing Committee received a request to reconsider NQF 2508 <i>Prevention: Sealants for 6-9 Year-Old Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services</i> . The Committee denied the request.
Did the Standing Committee overturn any of the Scientific Methods Panel's ratings of Scientific Acceptability? If so, state the measure and why the measure was overturned.	No	

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If a recommended measure is a related and/or competing measure, was a rationale provided for the Standing Committee's recommendation? If not, briefly explain.	No	Measure 0034 <i>Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL)</i> is related to 0658 <i>Appropriate Follow-Up Interval for Normal Colonoscopy In Average Risk Patients</i> (Minnesota Community Measurement). The two measures are harmonized but intended for different levels of accountability.
Were any measurement gap areas addressed? If so, identify the areas.	No	
Are there additional concerns that require CSAC discussion? If so, briefly explain.	No	

Timeline and Next Steps

Process Step	Timeline
Appeals Period	June 7, 2018-July 6, 2018
Adjudication of Appeals	July 9, 2018-August 3, 2018
Final Report	September 2018

Questions?

- Project webpage:
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