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Primary Care and Chronic Illness, Fall 2020 Measure Review Cycle

Post-Comment Standing Committee Meeting

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Welcome



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Agenda

- Attendance
- Consideration of Consensus Not Reached Measure
- NQF Member and Public Comment
- Next Steps
- Adjourn

Attendance

Primary Care and Chronic Illness Fall 2020 Cycle Standing Committee

- Dale Bratzler DO, MPH

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Consideration of Consensus Not Reached Measures



3532 Discouraging the routine use of occupational and/or supervised physical therapy after carpal tunnel release

- **Measure Steward:** American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
 - ▣ New measure
- **Brief Description of Measure:**
 - ▣ Percentage of patients 18+ with carpal tunnel syndrome who received surgical carpal tunnel release, and who should not routinely be prescribed postoperative physical and/or occupational therapy within 6 weeks after release.
- **Consensus was not reached:** Overall Suitability for Endorsement
- **Concerns:**
 - ▣ The Standing Committee reiterated concerns about capturing appropriate referrals and the unintended consequences of aiming for a 100% compliance target. While the measure passed on all criterion, the Standing Committee was not able to come to consensus on overall suitability.



3532 Discouraging the routine use of occupational and/or supervised physical therapy after carpal tunnel release (Continued)

- **No Comments Received**
- **Revote on Overall Suitability for Endorsement**

Related and Competing Discussion

Related and Competing Measures

- If a measure meets the four criteria **and** there are endorsed/new related measures (same measure focus **or** same target population) or competing measures (both the same measure focus **and** same target population), the measures are compared to address harmonization and/or selection of the best measure.

	Same concepts for measure focus-target process, condition, event, outcome	Different concepts for measure focus-target process, condition, event, outcome
Same target population	Competing measures-Select best measure from competing measures or justify endorsement of additional measure(s).	Related measures-Harmonize on target patient population or justify differences.
Different target patient population	Related measures-Combine into one measure with expanded target patient population or justify why different harmonized measures are needed.	Neither harmonization nor competing measure issue.



Related and Competing Measures (continued)

- Related and competing measures will be grouped and discussed after recommendations for all related and competing measures are determined. Only measures recommended for endorsement will be discussed.
- Committee will not be asked to select a best-in-class measure if all related and competing measures are not currently under review. Committee can discuss harmonization and make recommendations. Developers of each related and competing measure will be encouraged to attend any discussion.



3568 Related Measures

- None



3532 Related Measures

- None



3599 Related Measures

- 0728: Asthma Admission Rate (PDI 14) (Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality)
- 1381: Asthma Emergency Department Visits (Alabama Medicaid Agency)



0058 Related Measure

- 0069: Appropriate Treatment for Upper Respiratory Infection
(National Committee for Quality Assurance)



0069 Related Measure

- 0058: Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis (AAB) (National Committee for Quality Assurance)



3166 Related Measure

- 2797: Transcranial Doppler Ultrasonography Screening Among Children with Sickle Cell Anemia (Q-METRIC – University of Michigan)



3595 Related Measures

- 2797: Transcranial Doppler Ultrasonography Screening Among Children with Sickle Cell Anemia (Q-METRIC – University of Michigan)
- 3166: Antibiotic Prophylaxis Among Children with Sickle Cell Anemia (QMETRIC - University of Michigan)

NQF Member and Public Comment

Next Steps



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Activities and Timeline – Fall 2020 Cycle

***All times ET**

Meeting	Date, Time
CSAC Review	- June 29 (9:00 AM – 5:00 PM) - June 30 (9:00 AM – Noon)
Appeals Period (30 days)	July 7 – August 5



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