



MAP Post-Acute Care/Long-Term Care Workgroup Web Meeting November 2, 2012

A web meeting of the Measure Applications Partnership (MAP) Post-Acute Care/Long-Term Care (PAC/LTC) Workgroup was held on Friday, November 2, 2012. The primary objectives of the meeting were to:

- Orient to MAP 2013 pre-rulemaking approach,
- Discuss how MAP's first-year work contributes to 2013 pre-rulemaking input,
- Review each program likely to be considered by the PAC/LTC Workgroup, and
- Identify additional information sources to enhance MAP's decision-making.

An [online archive](#) of the web meeting is available.

Workgroup Members in Attendance at the November 2, 2012 Meeting:

Carol Raphael, Chair	
Charlene Harrington, [subject matter expert: clinician/nursing]	Roger Herr, American Physical Therapy Association
Kathleen Kelly, Family Caregiver Alliance	Bruce Leff, [subject matter expert: clinician/geriatrics]
Sean Muldoon, Kindred Healthcare	D.E.B. Potter & Judy Sangl, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Juliana Preston, HealthInsight	Scott Shreve, Department of Veterans Affairs
Carol Spence, National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization	Suzanne Synder, American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association
Lisa Tripp, National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care	Thomas von Sternberg, HealthPartners
Joan Zlotnik, Dual Eligible Beneficiaries Workgroup Liaison	

MAP Background and Strategy

Session led by Carol Raphael, PAC/LTC Workgroup Chair, and Tom Valuck, Senior Vice-President, Strategic Partnerships, NQF.

- Ms. Raphael welcomed the workgroup and reviewed the meeting objectives.
- Dr. Valuck reviewed MAP's statutory authority, structure, and recently-released three year [Strategic Plan](#) (2012-2015). He emphasized the importance of feedback loops that are built into MAP's structure and work.

MAP Pre-Rulemaking Approach

Session led by Aisha Pittman, Senior Program Director, Strategic Partnerships, NQF.

- Ms. Pittman reviewed the four-step pre-rulemaking approach for 2013:
 - Building on MAP's prior recommendations,
 - Evaluating each finalized program measure set using the MAP Measure Selection Criteria,
 - Evaluating measures under consideration for what they would add to the program measure sets, and
 - Identifying high-priority gaps for programs and settings.
- Ms. Pittman also explained new aspects of pre-rulemaking this year, such as the role that MAP's families of measures and core measure sets will play, as well as more specific rationale regarding MAP's decisions on each measure.

Evaluating Program Measure Sets

Session led by Mitra Ghazinour, Project Manager, Strategic Partnerships, NQF. Additional presentations by Rachel Weissburg, Project Manager, Strategic Partnerships, NQF, and Erin O'Rourke, Project Analyst, Strategic Partnerships, NQF.

- Mitra Ghazinour and additional NQF program staff provided an overview of the six federal programs that the PAC/LTC Workgroup will likely review during the 2013 pre-rulemaking process.
- NQF staff reviewed information that will be made available to the workgroup members prior the in-person meetings to assist them in their evaluations, such as program summary sheets and any relevant information regarding HHS' uptake of MAP's 2012 recommendations.
- Joan Zlotnik, MAP Dual Eligible Beneficiares Workgroup liaison to the PAC/LTC Workgroup, reviewed the Dual Eligible Beneficiares Workgroup input on the ESRD program.

Evaluating Measures Under Consideration

Session led by Allen Leavens, Senior Director, Strategic Partnerships, NQF.

- Dr. Leavens provided information about this year's process for evaluating the measures under consideration.

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- He reviewed the sample discussion guides that will be used, and also explained how information about performance and measure use will be incorporated into materials to inform MAP discussion.

Wrap Up and Next Steps

Session led by Carol Raphael.

- Members will be engaging in a follow-up exercise to prepare for the December 18 in-person meeting.
- Members were provided with dates of future MAP pre-rulemaking activities, including:
 - All MAP Web Meeting to be held December 4.
 - Workgroup In-Person Meeting to be held December 18 in Washington, DC.