

NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM

eMeasure Learning Collaborative

Planning Committee Meeting and Worksession

Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2012

2:00-3:00 pm ET

The ***eMeasure Learning Collaborative Planning Committee*** met on Monday, June 4, 2012.

Members Present: Dana Alexander, Zahid Butt, Dwight Brown, Delane Heldt, Sharon Hibay, Lori Nichols, Ginny Meadows, Karen Nielsen, Christopher Snyder, Dave Stumpf

Federal Liaisons Present: Jesse James, Kevin Larsen

Members Not Present:, Jason Colquitt, Kendra Hanley, Louis Hochheiser, Liz Johnson, John Maese, Michael Mirro, Greg Pawlson, Amit Popat, Jacob Reider, Greg Sharpe, Aldo Tinoco, Ann Watt, Ted Palen

NQF Staff Present: Floyd Eisenberg, Christina Mandzuk, Danielle Sims

Welcome – Floyd Eisenberg

Minutes Approval Date: 6/18/12

Meeting Agenda

- I. Welcome/Review Minutes from May 21st
 - II. Topics/Structure for August 10th In-Person Meeting
 - III. eMeasure Webinar June 14th
 - IV. Moving the eMeasure Learning Collaborative Forward – Social Media
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- I. **Welcome/Review Minutes from May 10th**
 - II. **Topics/Structure for August 10th In-Person Meeting**
 - A. The In-Person Meeting has been moved from August 9th to August 10th due to the eHealth Initiative (eHI) meeting that is taking place in Washington, DC on August 9th. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 1. The topic for the eHI meeting is *Data Analytics in Health Care*, which may attract many of the same stakeholders NQF would like to see attend the Collaborative In-Person Meeting. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 2. Moving the Collaborative In-Meeting to August 10th will hopefully give eHI attendees the opportunity and incentive to stay and participate in the discussion through NQF. (Zahid Butt, Floyd Eisenberg)

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- B. A two-day Collaborative In-Person Meeting is not feasible due to budget constraints. This is something to consider in the future if funding continues. (Zahid Butt, Floyd Eisenberg)
- C. Proposed Topic and Speakers
 - 1. Based on the May 21st Collaborative Meeting, the discussions for the August In-Person meeting will be framed around real use cases regarding 1) efficiency measure and 2) care coordination concepts. The focus for this meeting will be much narrower than the April In-Person Meeting, and likely to provide more solid conversation. (Dwight Brown, Floyd Eisenberg, Lori Nichols, Dave Stumpf)
 - a. ONC is working closely with RAND on efficiency measures, so this group was nominated to be a speaker for this meeting. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - i. The standard use of efficiency or efficiency measures is around resource use or readmissions. According to RAND, efficiency is defined as cost over value, with a quality component; something is defined as efficient if there is a quality component present. (Floyd Eisenberg, Kevin Larsen, Dave Stumpf)
 - b. Speakers for care coordination are still being determined. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - 2. A third topic was proposed at this meeting regarding competencies.
 - a. This would include how to measure competencies and evidence based measurement. This could be a nice complement to the care coordination topic since this could be used for patient competency measurement. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - b. How does one determine the competency from the provider and patient side? State licensing has restrictions based on certain competencies. (Dave Stumpf)
 - c. Although The Joint Commission does have some framework among competency criteria that hospitals are supposed to look at, general consensus from the Planning Committee agreed that this topic is too specific for this meeting, and would detract from the discussion around gaps, recommendations and best practices. Care coordination and efficiency measure concepts will remain the only breakout tracks. (Zahid Butt, Floyd Eisenberg)
- D. Topic Structure
 - 1. Framing structure
 - a. The concepts provide the framing infrastructure needed, which includes needs and how to fill the gaps. The focus will not be around how to create eMeasures since NQF is not a Measure Developer. (Floyd Eisenberg)

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- b. Proposed Structure for August 10th from May 21st Meeting
 - i. Methods to engage local organizations and providers in their own data governance
 - ii. Changes in measure development
 - iii. Changes in data capture and structure (for example, ejection fraction, gestational age)
 - iv. Mechanisms for evaluating existing data
 - v. Workflow of data from capture to analysis to aggregation
- c. New structure for August 10th (based off common themes from the breakout session output at the April 26th In-Person Meeting)
 - i. Organizational Factors/Leadership
 - ii. Learning Health System Environment
 - iii. Data Capture/Workflow
 - a. Data availability
 - b. Measure expression
 - iv. QDM style guide
 - a. This new element was added because it is believed that this will connect the dots of any missing structure. (Zahid Butt)
 - b. This topic will reveal how stakeholders are using the QDM and their level of awareness. (Dana Alexander and Chris Snyder)
 - c. The Planning Committee would like to apply clinical examples to the style guide to ensure usability. (Floyd Eisenberg, Lori Nichols, Karen Nielsen, Chris Snyder)
 - i. For each breakout topic, the style guide will guide the discussion regarding: (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - a. Needed content
 - b. QDM workflow and reimbursement

E. Presenters

1. Instead of keynote speakers starting off the In-Person Meeting, the Planning Committee suggested that each Breakout Track provide an overview of their presentations. This would enable participants to have exposure to all breakout topics regardless of the track they attend. (Dana Alexander, Karen Nielsen, Chris Snyder, Dave Stumpf)
2. The Care Coordination Steering Committee could talk about challenges that are universal around all eMeasures (or cross-cutting against a set of eMeasures). (Sharon Hibay)

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3. NQF is in need of volunteers for breakout track facilitation and to aid in the presentation of findings during the closeout session. (Floyd Eisenberg)

eMeasure Webinar June 14th

1. Topic (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - a. eMeasure development from the developers' perspective
2. Speakers (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - a. Ann Watt - Joint Commission
 - b. Ben Hamlin - NCQA

Moving the eMeasure Learning Collaborative Forward – Social Media

1. The Learning Collaborative will be hosting several discussion boards on SharePoint. Discussions started on these boards could be used as a catalyst or complement to the August 10th In-Person Meeting. (Floyd Eisenberg)
 - a. Proposed discussion board topics:
 - i. Methods to engage local organizations and providers in their own data governance
 - ii. Changes in measure development
 - iii. Changes in data capture and structure (for example, ejection fraction, gestational age)
 - iv. Mechanisms for evaluating existing data
 - v. Workflow of data from capture to analysis to aggregation
 - vi. QDM style guide (Dwight Brown, Dave Stumpf)
 1. This board would be for limited engagement.
 2. This guide is an integrating document that will pull information from the other five proposed discussion board topics.
2. The Planning Committee should contact NQF with any discussion board topics they would like to see active for the Collaborative. (Floyd Eisenberg)

Action Items

1. Finalize agenda for August 10th In-Person Meeting – NQF
2. Identify speakers and contact care coordination speakers – NQF

Next eMeasure Learning Collaborative Conference Call:

June 18th, from 2:00pm to 3:00pm ET

A calendar invite has been sent to the group with a **new** conference line and webinar link:

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Dial-in #: **877-224-4655** Conference Code: **4533611326**

<http://nqf.commpartners.com/se/Rd/Mt.aspx?298127>

1. Parking Lot
None
2. Agenda Items for next Collaborative Planning Meeting:
 - a. Debrief from June 14th Webinar
 - b. August 10th In-Person Meeting: finalize topic ideas and potential speakers