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Measure Developer Webinar

NQF Measure Maintenance Team

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Welcome



Today's Presenters

- Kathryn Goodwin, MS, NQF Director
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Agenda

- Overview of updates to the Measure Evaluation Criteria Guidance Document and Measure Developer Guidebook
- Updates and next steps for the fall 2021 cycle
- MIMS tutorial: completeness checks, requesting deferrals and withdrawals, and annual updates
- Measure developer resources

Updates to the Measure Evaluation Criteria Guidance Document and Measure Developer Guidebook



Measure Evaluation Guidance Updates

- Additional measure types/categories defined
 - ▣ PRO, PROM, PRO-PM
- Updated testing language for scientific acceptability
 - ▣ Data element level → patient/encounter level
 - » “Data element” will still be used when referring to how the measure is constructed (e.g. in eQMs)
 - ▣ Measure score → accountable entity level
- Additional guidance on composite testing for scientific acceptability
 - ▣ Theory of composite construction should be provided to explain testing methodology

Updates and Next Steps for Fall 2021

Updates and Next Steps for Fall 2021 Cont.

- Time sensitivity has been determined, communicated, and confirmed with developers for fall 2021 measures
- The updated reassignments will be reflected in MIMS in the coming weeks
- For measures undergoing review in the fall 2021 cycle:
 - ▣ Completeness checks have been performed in MIMS
 - ▣ Developers with complex measures going to the Scientific Methods Panel (SMP) should review completeness check notes and make any required edits to measure submissions in MIMS by August 24

MIMS Tutorial



Completeness Checks

- Completeness checks are now performed in MIMS
- Feedback and fields that require updates will be indicated in orange within the MIMS measure submission



Completeness Checks, cont.

- [NQF Staff will screenshare]



Requesting Deferrals

- Deferral management is performed in MIMS
- Deferrals may be requested on current submissions
- NQF's deferral policy will be applied in MIMS
 - ▣ One cycle of deferral at a time will be allowed if approved by NQF

Requesting Deferrals, cont.

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Measure Information

2962 - Shared Decision Making Process

Current Status of the Measure:

Endorsed

Initial Endorsement Date:

2016-10-25

Last Endorsement Date:

2016-10-25 (Change Endorsement Date)

At A Glance

N/A

Maintenance Cycle:

Patient Experience and Function Fall 2021 (Change Maintenance Cycle)

Read-Only View

High-level information as well as a list of all submissions for an individual measure.

Preview Submission

When a draft form or is newly submitted, you will see one entry. For measures that have come through the CDP process over many years, you will see many historical submissions. Your current submission is at the top of the list.

Edit Submission

Manage Measure Access

Find the measure number and title, and information about status and process dates (endorsement, annual update, maintenance), where appropriate.

Copy Measure

A list of all individual submission of the measure, in descending order. Submissions that have gone through a completed process are no longer available for edit, however, the measure information form is available for download.

Move Measure

Click the measure submission that is currently visible in the Quality Positioning System (QPS), the publicly-visible measure tool on the NQF website.

Delete Submission

Set as QPS Visible

Request Deferral

Withdraw

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		Project Description	Project Status	Cycle	Submission Type	Submission Status	Endorsement Status	Last Save Date ↓	Last Saved By
	:	Patient Experience and Function Fall Cycle 2021	Upcoming	Fall 2021	Maintenance	Draft - Intent To Submit	Pending	2021-06-30 4:39pm ET	hbui
*	:	Person and Family-Centered Care Project 2016-2017	Completed	Full Year 2016	New	CSAC Endorses Measure	Endorsed on 2016-10-25	2017-09-06 12:23pm ET	NQF Staff
	:	Person and Family-Centered Care Project 2016-2017	Completed	Full Year 2016	New	CSAC Endorses Measure	Initial Endorsement on 2016-10-25	2016-10-25 5:38pm ET	NQF Staff




Requesting Deferrals,

- [NQF Staff will screenshare]

Requesting Withdrawals

- Withdrawals are performed in MIMS
- Withdrawals may be requested on current submissions
- Reason for withdrawal is required

Requesting Withdrawals,



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Measure Details

Measure Information **2962 - Shared Decision Making Process**

Current Status of the Measure: **Endorsed**
Initial Endorsement Date: 2016-10-25
Last Endorsement Date: 2016-10-25 (Change Endorsement Date)
Maintenance Cycle: N/A
Patient Experience and Function Fall 2021 (Change Maintenance Cycle)

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Information as well as a list of all submissions for an individual measure.

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Find the measure number and title, and information about status and process dates (endorsement, annual update, maintenance), where appropriate.

Individual submission of the measure, in descending order. Submissions that have gone through a completed process are no longer available for edit, however, the measure information form and endorsements are available for download.

Measure submission that is currently visible in the Quality Positioning System (QPS), the publicly-visible measure tool on the NQF website.

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Requesting Withdrawals, cont.

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Annual Updates

- No changes have been made to the questions required
- NQF Staff will create an annual update submission at the Developer's request

Annual Updates, cont.

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Measure Information **3400 - Use of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)**

Current Status of the Measure: **Endorsed**

Initial Endorsement Date: 2018-10-26

Last Endorsement Date: 2018-10-26 (Change Endorsement Date)

Annual Update Due: 2022-08-31

Upcoming Maintenance Cycle: Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring 2022 (Change Maintenance Cycle)

This page displays high-level information as well as a list of all submissions for an individual measure.

Note: If your measure is in draft form or is newly submitted, you will see one entry. For measures that have come through the CDP process over many years, you will see many historical submissions. Your current submission will always be at the top of the list.

At the top of the page you will find the measure number and title, and information about status and process dates (endorsement, annual update, maintenance), where appropriate.

At the bottom is a list of each individual submission of the measure, in descending order. Submissions that have gone through a completed process are no longer available for edit, however, the measure information form and attachments are available for download.

* An asterisk indicates the measure submission that is currently visible in the Quality Positioning System (QPS), the publicly-visible measure tool on the NQF website.

Measure Submissions

Options	Project Description	Project Status	Cycle	Submission Type	Submission Status	Endorsement Status	Last Save Date	Last Saved By
:	Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring Cycle 2018	Completed	Spring 2018	Annual Update	Annual Update Opened	Pending	2021-07-02 10:04am ET	hbui
*	Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring Cycle 2018	Completed	Spring 2018	Annual Update	CSAC Endorses Measure	Endorsed on 2018-10-26	2021-07-01 3:58pm ET	hbui
:	Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring Cycle 2018	Completed	Spring 2018	Annual Update	Annual Update Completed	Endorsed on 2018-10-26	2020-08-12 11:13am ET	NQF Staff
:	Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring Cycle 2018	Completed	Spring 2018	Annual Update	Annual Update Completed	Endorsed on 2018-10-26	2020-02-10 4:49pm ET	NQF Staff

Measure Developer Resources



Submitting Standards Web Page

- [Measure Evaluation Criteria and Guidance](#) Document
 - Includes evaluation algorithms for evidence, reliability, and validity
 - » Lays out the logic that committees will use for rating Evidence, Reliability, and Validity subcriteria
- [Measure Developer Guidebook](#)
 - Explains the NQF process and expectations for developers
- [Intent to Submit Checklist](#)
- MIMS Resources
 - Printable versions of new MIMS measure submission forms
 - » [Quality Measure Form](#)
 - » [Composite Measure Form](#)
 - » [Cost and Resource Use Measure Form](#)
 - » [Measure Submission Form Crosswalk](#)
 - [MIMS Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#)
 - [Recording](#) and [transcript](#) of the May developer webinar – MIMS demo
 - [Recording](#) and [transcript](#) of the June developer webinar – creating new measure in MIMS



Tips for Measure Developers

- General reminders:
 - ▣ Refer to the [NQF Submitting Standards web page](#)
 - ▣ Attend the bi-monthly measure developer webinars to ensure you are up to date with NQF timelines and process changes
 - ▣ Contact measuremaintenance@qualityforum.org for general inquiries or questions related to the Consensus Development Process (CDP), measure evaluation criteria, or technical assistance
 - ▣ Check your MIMS Dashboard regularly and verify the correct measure developer/steward contacts are listed. If these change, please make updates in your measure submissions by using the Manage User Access function. NQF uses the contacts listed in the Dashboard to send updates and reminders about deadlines related to your measure.
- Measure Submission:
 - ▣ Seek technical assistance from NQF staff early and often. Measure submission deadlines are firm and extensions will not be granted. If you would like NQF staff to provide input on your draft submission, please contact the appropriate NQF project team and request technical assistance well in advance of the deadline

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