**National Quality Forum—Evidence (1c) Pilot Submission Form**

**Measure Title**: Click here to enter measure title

**Date of Submission**: Click here to enter a date

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| * Respond to all questions with answers immediately following the question. * Maximum of 6 pages (*6 pages incudes questions/instructions in the form*); minimum font size 11 pt * All information needed to demonstrate meeting the [evidence criterion (1c)](http://www.qualityforum.org/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=66287) must be in this form. An appendix of *supplemental* materials may be submitted, but there is no guarantee it will be reviewed. * See NQF [guidance on evaluating evidence](http://www.qualityforum.org/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=58170). Contact NQF staff for examples, resources, or questions. |

**STRUCTURE-PROCESS-OUTCOME RELATIONSHIP**

**1c.1.This is a measure of**:

Outcome

Health outcome: Click here to name the health outcome

Intermediate clinical outcome: Click here to name the intermediate outcome

Process: Click here to name the process

Structure: Click here to name the structure

Other: Click here to name what is being measured

**HEALTH OUTCOME MEASURE**  *If not a health outcome, skip to 1c.3*

*If the measure focus identified in 1c.1 is a health outcome, answer 1c.2 and 1c.2.1*.

**1c.2.** **Briefly state or diagram how the health outcome is related to at least one healthcare structure, process, intervention, or service**.

1c.2.1. **State the rationale supporting the relationship between the health outcome and at least one healthcare structure, process, intervention, or service**.

*Note: For health outcome measures, no further information is required*

**structure, process, OR intermediate outcome measure**

*If the measure focus identified in 1c.1 is a structure, process, or intermediate outcome* *answer all the following questions (except as indicated by skip pattern)*.

**1c.3.****Briefly state or diagram how the measure focus is related to desired health outcomes and proximity to desired health outcomes**. *(Do not summarize the evidence here.)*

**1c.4.**Is there a guideline recommendation supporting the measure focus identified in 1c.1.?Yes No *If no, skip to #1c.6*

If yes,  *answer 1c.4.1-1c.5.*

1c.4.1. **Guideline citation** (*including date*):

1c.4.2. **URL** (*if available online*):

1c.4.3. **Identify guideline number and/or page number**:

1c.4.4. **Quote verbatim, the specific guideline recommendation**:

1c.4.5. **Grade assigned to the recommendation with definition of the grade**:

**1c.5.** **Did the guideline developer systematically review and grade the body of evidence for the specific guideline recommendation**? Yes No *If no, skip to #1c.6*

If yes, *answer 1c.5.1. (****Note:*** *Findings of the systematic review of the body of evidence for the guideline recommendation must be reported in 1c.8-1c.13.)*

1c.5.1. **Grade assigned to the body of evidence with definition of the grade**:

**1c.6.** **Is there another published systematic review of the body of evidence supporting the measure focus identified in 1c.1**? *(other than from the guideline cited above, e.g., Cochrane, AHRQ, USPSTF)* Yes No *If no, skip to #1c.7*

If yes, *answer 1c.6.1-1c.6.3. (****Note:*** *Findings of the systematic review of the body of evidence must be reported in 1c.8-1c.13.)*

1c.6.1. **Citation** (*including date*):

1c.6.2. **URL** (*if available online*):

1c.6.3. **Grade assigned to the body of evidence with definition of the grade**:

*If a systematic review of the evidence was identified in either 1c.5 or 1c.6, skip to 1c.8*

**1c.7.** **If a systematic review of the body of evidence was not identifed and reported in 1c.5 or 1c.6,** **did the measure developer perform a systematic review of the body of evidence supporting the measure focus identified in 1c.1**? Yes No

If yes, *answer 1c.7.1-1c.7.3.* *(****Note:*** *Findings of the measure developer’s systematic review of the body of evidence must be reported in 1c.8-1c.13 and unpublished evidence review products such as evidence tables provided in an appendix.)*

1c.7.1. **Who conducted the measure developer’s systematic review of the body of evidence**?

1c.7.2. **Grade assigned to the body of evidence with definition of the grade**:

1c.7.3. **Describe the process used for the systematic review**:

*If no systematic review of the body of evidence identified in 1c.5, 1c.6, or 1c.7, the evidence criterion can not be met*.

**FINDINGS FROM SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF BODY OF THE EVIDENCE supporting the measure focus**

*(Items 1c.8-1c.13 must be answered and should support the measure focus identified in 1c.1. If more than one systematic review was identified (1c.5, 1c.6, and 1c.7), provide a separate response for each.*)

**1c.8.** **What is the time period covered by the body of evidence? (*provide the date range, e.g., 1990-2010*). Date range**: Click here to enter date range

**QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF BODY OF EVIDENCE**

**1c.9.****How many and what type of study designs are inlcuded in the body of evidence**? (*e.g., 3 randomized controlled trials and 1 observational study*)

**1c.10.** **What is the overall quality of evidence across studies in the body of evidence**? (*discuss the certainty or confidence in the estimates of effect due to study factors such as design flaws, imprecision due to small numbers, indirectness of studies to the measure focus or target population*)

**ESTIMATES OF BENEFIT AND CONSISTENCY ACROSS STUDIES IN BODY OF EVIDENCE**

**1c.11.** **What are the estimates of benefit—magnitude and direction of effect on outcome(s) across studies in the body of evidence**? (*e.g., ranges of percentages or odds ratios for improvement/ decline across studies, results of meta-analysis, and statistical significance*)

**1c.12.** **What harms were studied and how do they affect the net benefit—benefits over harms**?

**UPDATE TO THE SYSTEMATIC REVIEW(S) OF THE BODY OF EVIDENCE**

**1c.13.** **Are there new studies that have been conducted since the systematic review(s) of the body of evidence**? Yes No *If no, stop*

If yes,

1c.13.1. **For each new study provide: 1) citation, 2) description, 3) results, 4) impact on conclusions of systematic review**.