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**MEANINGFUL USE AND ATTESTATION KEY POINTS
CORE, MENU SET AND CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURES**

Meaningful Use and Attestation – Key Points

To Qualify for the Incentive....

There are **15 Core Measures** that you will be required to report on. There are an additional **5 Menu Set Measures** that you will choose from a list of 10. The additional 5 are also required.

Within the first required 15 Core Measures, number 10 is the reporting on **Clinical Quality Measures** to the CMS. There are 44 total Clinical Quality Measures. Eligible professionals must report from the table of 44 clinical quality measures which includes, 3 Core, 3 Alternate Core, and 38 additional CQMs.

- Core CQMs - EPs must report on 3 required core CQMs, and if the denominator of 1 or more of the required core measures is 0, then EPs are required to report results for up to 3 alternate core measures.
- EPs also must also select 3 additional CQMs from a set of 38 CQMs (excluding the core/alternate core measures). It is acceptable to have a '0' denominator provided the EP does not have an applicable population.

In sum, EPs must report on 6 total measures: 3 required core measures (substituting alternate core measures where necessary) and 3 additional measures. A maximum of 9 measures would be reported if the EP needed to attest to the 3 required core, the three alternate core, and the 3 additional measures.

They are as follows:

CQMs: Core Measures

Note: It is required that eligible providers report on all 3 core measures

NQF 0421 / PQRI 128: Adult Weight Screening and Follow-Up

NQF 0028: Preventative Care and Screening Measure Pair

*0028(a): Tobacco Use Assessment

*0028(b): Tobacco Cessation Intervention

NQF 0013: Hypertension: Blood Pressure Measurement

CQMs: Alternative Core Measures



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Note: It is required that eligible providers substitute one Alternative Core Measure for every Core Measure where the denominator is 0.

NQF 0024: Weight Assessment and Counseling for Children and Adolescents

NQF 0041 / PQRI 110: Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization for Patients \geq 50 Years Old

NQF 0038: Childhood immunization Status

COMs: Additional Quality Measures

Note: It is required that eligible providers also select 3 additional CQMs from the list of 38 shown below (this excludes the core and alternate core measures). It is acceptable to have a '0' denominator provided the EP does not have an applicable population.

NQF 0001: Asthma Assessment

NQF 0002: Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis

NQF 0004: Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and Other Drug Dependence Treatment: (a) Initiation, (b) Engagement

NQF 0012: Prenatal Care: Screening for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

NQF 0014: Prenatal Care: Anti-D Immune Globulin

NQF 0018: Controlling High Blood Pressure

NQF 0027: Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation, Medical assistance: a. Advising Smokers and Tobacco Users to Quit, b. Discussing Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation Medications, c. Discussing Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation Strategies

NQF 0031: Breast Cancer Screening

NQF 0032: Cervical Cancer Screening

NQF 0033: Chlamydia Screening for Women

NQF 0034: Colorectal Cancer Screening

NQF 0036: Use of Appropriate Medications for Asthma



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NQF 0043: Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults

NQF 0047: Asthma Pharmacologic Therapy

NQF 0052: Low Back Pain: Use of Imaging Studies

NQF 0055: Diabetes: Eye Exam

NQF 0056: Diabetes: Foot Exam

NQF 0059: Diabetes: HbA1c Poor Control

NQF 0061: Diabetes: Blood Pressure Management

NQF 0062: Diabetes: Urine Screening

NQF 0064: Diabetes: LDL Management & Control

NQF 0067: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Oral Antiplatelet Therapy Prescribed for Patients with CAD

NQF 0068: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or another Antithrombotic

NQF 0070: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy for CAD Patients with Prior Myocardial Infarction (MI)

NQF 0073: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Blood Pressure Management

NQF 0074: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Drug Therapy for Lowering LDL-Cholesterol

NQF 0075: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Complete Lipid Panel and LDL Control

NQF 0081: Heart Failure (HF): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

NQF 0083: Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

NQF 0084: Heart Failure (HF): Warfarin Therapy Patients with Atrial Fibrillation

NQF 0086: Primary Open Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Optic Nerve Evaluation



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NQF 0088: Diabetic Retinopathy: Documentation of Presence or Absence of Macular Edema and Level of Severity of Retinopathy

NQF 0089: Diabetic Retinopathy: Communication with the Physician Managing Ongoing Diabetes Care

NQF 0105: Anti-depressant medication management: (a) Effective Acute Phase Treatment, (b) Effective Continuation Phase Treatment

NQF 0385: Oncology Colon Cancer: Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer Patients

NQF 0387: Oncology Breast Cancer: Hormonal Therapy for Stage IC-IIIC Estrogen Receptor/Progesterone Receptor (ER/PR) Positive Breast Cancer

NQF 0389: Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients

NQF 0575: Diabetes: HbA1c Control (<8%)

http://www.cms.gov/QualityMeasures/03_ElectronicSpecifications.asp