## CORE MEASURES

### STAGE 2 CORE

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<th>Measure</th>
<th>2015-2017 MODIFICATIONS</th>
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<td>1. CPOE:</td>
<td>No change from Stage 2</td>
<td>Fewer than 100 for each medication, radiology, and laboratory orders. <em>Alternate Measure for providers scheduled for Stage 1: &gt;30%</em></td>
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<td>&gt;60% of medication, &gt;30% of lab, AND &gt;30% of radiology orders</td>
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<td>2. e-Prescribing (eRx)</td>
<td>No change from Stage 2</td>
<td>Fewer than 100 Rx’s or no pharmacy within 10 miles. <em>Alternate Measure for providers scheduled for Stage 1: &gt;40% ePrescribed</em></td>
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<td>Generate and transmit permissible discharge prescriptions electronically on more than 50% of permissible Rx’s.</td>
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<td>3. Clinical Decision Support</td>
<td>No change</td>
<td>Can exclude only from drug allergy interaction checks if provider writes fewer than 100 medication orders. <em>Alternate Measure for providers scheduled for Stage 1: 1 CDS Rule and drug interactions</em></td>
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<td>• 5 CDS Interventions tied to at least 4 CQMs</td>
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<td>• Drug-drug &amp; drug allergy interaction checks enabled for entire EHR reporting period</td>
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<td>4. Patient Electronic Access</td>
<td>• 50% seen are still given access within 4 business days</td>
<td>• Neither orders nor creates any of the information listed for inclusion as part of both measures, except for &quot;Patient name&quot; and &quot;Provider's name and office contact information,&quot; may exclude both measures.</td>
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<td>• 50% of unique patients seen are provided online access within 4 business days (VDT)</td>
<td>• 5% of patients required to access is now reduced to at least 1 patient</td>
<td>• Conducts 50% or more of his or her patient encounters in a county that doesn’t have 50% or more of its housing units with 3Mbps broadband availability according to the latest information available from the FCC on the first day of the EHR reporting period may exclude only the second measure.</td>
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<td>• &gt;5% actually access (view, download, or transmit)</td>
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<td>• <em>Alternate Exclusion: Stage 1 did not have equivalent to Measure 2</em></td>
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<td>5. Patient Education</td>
<td>No change</td>
<td>No office visits during the EHR reporting period</td>
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<td>More than 10% of all unique patients seen by the EP during the EHR reporting period are provided patient-specific education resources</td>
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<td><em>Alternate Exclusion for providers scheduled for Stage 1: Did not intend to select Stage 1 Menu choice</em></td>
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<td>6. Privacy and Security</td>
<td>No change</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>7. Medication Reconciliation</td>
<td>No change</td>
<td>Any EP who was not the recipient of any transitions of care during the EHR reporting period</td>
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<td>The EP performs medication reconciliation for more than 50% of transitions of care in which the patient is transitioned into the care of the EP</td>
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<td><em>Alternate Exclusion for providers scheduled for Stage 1: Did not intend to select Stage 1 Menu choice</em></td>
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<td>8. Summary of Care</td>
<td>1 and 3 are removed</td>
<td>Fewer than 100 transfers or referrals</td>
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<td>New Name: Health Information Exchange</td>
<td>2 simplified but still 10% created in CEHRT and transmitted electronically</td>
<td><em>Alternate Specification for providers scheduled for Stage 1: Stage 1 did not have an equivalent Core Measure</em></td>
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<td>1. &gt;50% of transitions and/or referrals to another provider or setting</td>
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<td>2. 10% sent electronically</td>
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<td>3. At least one sent to provider using different vendor’s EHR or to CMS designated test EHR</td>
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<td>9. Public Health Reporting</td>
<td>1. Immunization Registry Reporting</td>
<td><em>Alternate Exclusion for providers scheduled for Stage 1: May meet 1 PH option</em></td>
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<td>Active engagement with a Public Health Agency or clinical data registry to submit electronically</td>
<td>2. Syndromic Surveillance Reporting</td>
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<td>Stage 1 EP must meet 1 of 3</td>
<td>3. Specialized Registry Reporting</td>
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<td>Stage 2 EP must meet 2 of 3</td>
<td>4. Electronic Reportable Laboratory Results Reporting (Hospitals only)</td>
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<td>10. Secure Messaging</td>
<td>Capability Yes</td>
<td>Any EP who has no office visits during the EHR reporting period, or any EP who conducts 50 percent or more of his or her patient encounters in a county that does not have 50 percent or more of its housing units with 3Mbps broadband availability according to the latest information available from the FCC on the first day of the EHR reporting period.</td>
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<td>5% of unique patients send electronic message that contains health information</td>
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<td><strong>Alternate Exclusion: Stage 1 did not have an equivalent Core Measure</strong></td>
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CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURES (CQMs)

CQMs

- Must report on 9 of the 64 approved CQMs
- CQMs may be reported electronically (PQRS Portal), or via attestation.
- EPs will select a full calendar year or a quarterly (90 days) reporting period to report on CQMs.
- Selected CQMs must cover at least 3 of the 6 National Quality Strategy domains
  - The 6 National Quality Strategy domains:
    - Patient and Family Engagement
    - Patient Safety
    - Care Coordination
    - Population/Public Health
    - Efficient Use of Healthcare Resources
    - Clinical Process/Effectiveness

Recommended Core CQMs – (encouraged but not required)

- 9 CQMs for the Adult Population
  - Controlling High Blood Pressure (NQF 0018)
  - Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly (NQF 0022)
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention (NQF 0028)
  - Use of Imaging Studies for Low Back Pain (NQF 0052)
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan (NQF 0418)
  - Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record (NQF 0419)
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index Screening and Follow-Up (NQF 0421)
  - Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report (NQF TBD)
  - Functional Status Assessment for Complex Chronic Conditions (NQF TBD)
- 9 CQMs for the Pediatric Population
  - Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis (NQF 0002)
  - Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children and Adolescents (NQF 0024)
  - Chlamydia Screening for Women (NQF 0033)
  - Use of Appropriate Medications for Asthma (NQF 0036)
  - Childhood Immunization Status (NQF 0038)
  - Appropriate Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection (UPI) (NQF 0069)
  - ADHD: Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Medication (NQF 0108)
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan (NQF 0418)
  - Children Who Have Dental Decay or Cavities (NQF TBD)
All 64 Approved CQMs

Care Coordination

1. Closing the Referral Loop: % Receipt of a Specialist Report (NQF TBD)

Clinical Process and Effectiveness

2. Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and Other Drug Dependence Treatment (NQF 0004)
3. Controlling High Blood Pressure (NQF 0018)
4. Breast Cancer Screening (NQF 0031)
5. Cervical Cancer Screening (NQF 0032)
6. Colorectal Cancer Screening (NQF 0034)
7. Use of Appropriate Medications for Asthma (NQF 0036)
8. Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults (NQF 0043)
9. Diabetes: Eye Exam (NQF 0055)
10. Diabetes: Foot Exam (NQF 0056)
12. Hemoglobin A1C Test for Pediatric Patients (NQF 0060)
13. Diabetes: Urine Protein Screening (NQF 0062)
14. Diabetes: Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL) Management (NQF 0064)
15. Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or Another Antithrombotic (NQF 0068)
16. Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy – Prior Myocardia Infarction (MI) or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF <40%) (NQF 0070)
17. Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Complete Lipid Panel and LDL Control (NQF 0075)
18. Heart Failure (HF): Angiotensin – Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunctions (LVSD) (NQF 0081)
19. Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD) (NQF 0083)
20. Primary Open Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Optic Nerve Evaluation (NQF 0086)
21. Diabetic Retinopathy: Documentation of Presence or Absence of Macular Edema and Level of Severity of Retinopathy (NQF 0088)
22. Diabetic Retinopathy: Communication with the Physician Managing Ongoing Diabetes Care (NQF 0089)
23. Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Suicide Risk Assessment (NQF 0104)
24. Anti-Depressant Medication Management (NQF 0105)
25. ADHD: Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Medication (NQF 0108)
26. Bipolar Disorder and Major Depression: Appraisal for Alcohol or Chemical Substance Use (NQF 0110)
27. Colon Cancer: Chemotherapy for AJCC Stage III Colon Cancer Patients (NQF 0385)
29. HIV/AIDS: Medical Visit (NQF 0403)
30. HIV/AIDS: Pneumocystis Jiroveci Pneumonia (PCP) Prophylaxis (NQF 0405)
31. HIV/AIDS: RNA Control for Patients with HIV (NQF TBD)
32. Cataracts: 20/40 or Better Visual Acuity within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery (NQF 0565)
33. Pregnant Women That Had BHsAg Testing (NQF 0608)
34. Depression Remission at Twelve Months (NQF 0710)
35. Depression Utilization of the PHQ-9 Tool (NQF 0712)
36. Children Who Have Dental Decay or Cavities (NQF TBD)
37. Primary Caries Prevention Intervention as Offered by Primary Care Providers, Including Dentists (NQF TBD)
38. Preventive Care and Screening: Cholesterol – Fasting Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL-C) Test Performed (NQF TBD)
39. Preventive Care and Screening: Risk-Stratified Cholesterol – Fasting Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL-C) (NQF TBD)
40. Dementia: Cognitive Assessment (NQF TBD)
41. Hypertension: Improvement in Blood Pressure (NQF TBD)
Efficient Use of Healthcare Resources

42. Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis (NQF 0002)
43. Use of Imaging Studies for Low Back Pain (NQF 0052)
44. Appropriate Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection (URI) (NQF 0069)
45. Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients (NQF 0389)

Patient and Family Engagement

46. Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Pain Intensity Quantified (NQF 0384)
47. Functional Status Assessment for Knee Replacement (NQF TBD)
48. Functional Status Assessment for Hip Replacement (NQF TBD)
49. Functional Status Assessment for Complex Chronic Conditions (NQF TBD)

Patient Safety

50. Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly (NQF 0022)
51. Falls: Screening for Future Fall Risk (NQF 0101)
52. Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record (NQF 0419)
53. Cataracts: Complications within 30 Days Following Cataract Surgery Requiring Additional Surgical Procedures (NQF 0564)
54. Child and Adolescent Major Depressive Disorder: Suicide Risk Assessment (NQF 1365)
55. ADE Prevention and Monitoring: Warfarin Time in Therapeutic Range (NQF TBD)

Population and Public Health

56. Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children and Adolescents (NQF 0024)
57. Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention (NQF 0028)
58. Chlamydia Screening for Women (NQF 0033)
59. Childhood Immunization Status (NQF 0038)
60. Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization (NQF 0041)
61. Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan (NQF 0418)
62. Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up (NQF 0421)
63. Maternal Depression Screening (NQF 1401)
64. Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented (NQF TBD)