

Vermont Health Care Innovation Project Quality and Performance Measures Work Group Charter

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PURPOSE

The purpose of the Quality and Performance Measures Work Group is to develop and recommend a standard set of performance measures, including metrics on quality, utilization, and cost to the VHCIP Steering Committee, the VHCIP Core Team, and the GMCB. The performance measures will allow the group to evaluate Vermont's payment reform models relative to public policy goals; to make recommendations regarding the manner in which quality performance will influence payments for payment models that are tested; and to make recommendations about how and when to communicate quality performance relating to payment reform to consumers.

SCOPE OF WORK

- Develop criteria and expectations for measure selection.
- Prioritize the use of nationally endorsed measures that can be benchmarked, to the extent possible.
- Develop consolidated and standardized sets of quality and performance measures for alternative payment and delivery system structures that are adopted for testing.
- Troubleshoot measurement collection and reporting barriers and support measurement issue resolution.
- Review performance measures on at least an annual basis and determine measures to be added, revised, retired, or replaced.
- Learn about, inform, and integrate relevant activities of other Vermont Health Care Innovation Project (VHCIP) work groups.
- Collaborate with other VHCIP work groups to achieve broader project goals.

DELIVERABLES

- Review selection criteria used to develop ACO shared savings measures and expand to episodes of care, pay-for-performance, and other payment models adopted for testing, as appropriate.
- Recommend how measurement should impact payment.

- Review and recommend for approval the “Process for Review and Modification of Measures” standard for ACO shared savings measures.
- Annually review measures for the SIM Driver Diagram, and modify or recommend measures as needed.
- Develop recommended measure sets for other payment models that are adopted for testing.
- Review and recommend measures to be added, revised, retired, or replaced as appropriate, on at least an annual basis.
- Review and recommend benchmarks to be used in conjunction with adopted measures for assessing and rewarding performance.
- Provide technical assistance to other multi-payer payment reform projects as requested and as work group resources allow.

MILESTONES

To be populated with specific tasks (and associated dates) included in the QPM WG Work Plan.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

The Quality and Performance Measures Work Group will meet monthly, with possible additional sub-committee meetings. Members are expected to participate regularly in meetings and may be required to review materials in advance. Members are expected to communicate with their colleagues and constituents about the activities and progress of the work group and to represent their organizations and constituencies during work group meetings and activities.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR STAFFING AND CONSULTATION

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Additional resources may be available to support consultation and technical assistance to the work group.