

ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP

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ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP AGENDA

- Welcome
- Who are we today?
- Review of Recently Live Enhancements and Key Content
- Targeted Discussion
- Open Discussion
- Next Steps



SUBMITTING FEEDBACK DURING THE USER GROUP

- Recording for note taking purposes only
- Polling Feature:
 - Open the Chat feature  on the Teams menu
 - Look for the LIVE Poll the chat box (you will need to scroll down for the second poll)
 - Select your responses on the radio buttons
- General feedback:
 - Use the chat feature at anytime to provide input



POLL 1 – USER GROUP MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

- Please respond to the poll in the polling feature
- Select the user type you most identify with:
 - CDS Developer/Steward/Implementer 2%
 - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Hospital and Critical Access Hospital 23%
 - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Clinician 15%
 - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Hospital, CAH and Clinician 26%
 - Health IT Developer/Vendor 13%
 - Measure Developer/Measure Steward 12%
 - Other 9%



DEMONSTRATIONS OF NEW ENHANCEMENTS AND CONTENT

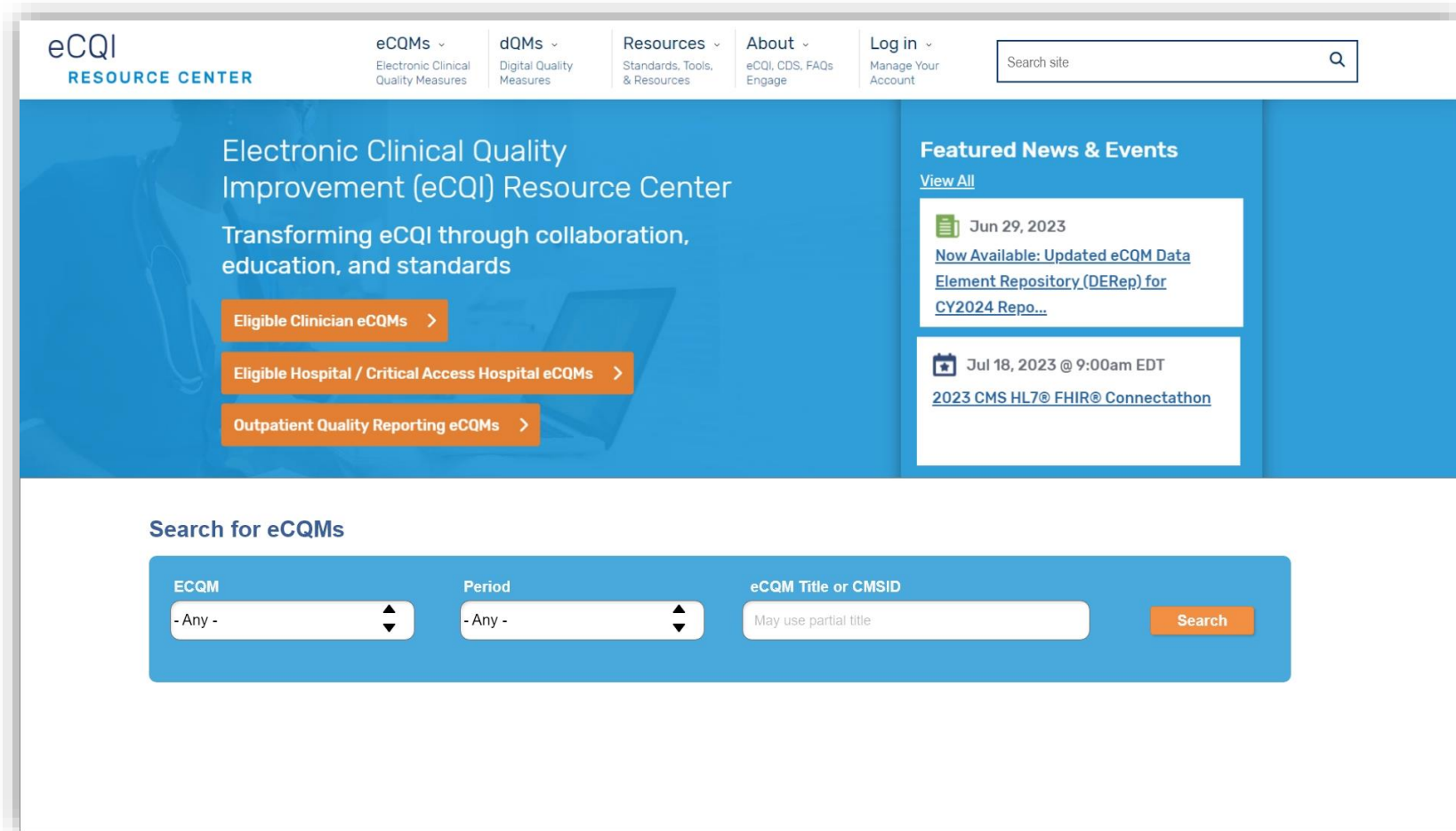
- QRDA III Implementation Guide <https://ecqi.healthit.gov/qrda>
- eCQM DERep <https://ecqi.healthit.gov/mc-workspace-2/data-element-repository>
- Homepage Search <https://ecqi.healthit.gov>
 - Filters
 - Short Names
 - Placeholder text
- Homepage News Pager – retain for 30 days and then archive <https://ecqi.healthit.gov>
- eCQM pages landing on eCQM tables https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ep-ec?qt-tabs_ep=1&globalyearfilter=2023&global_measure_group=3716



TARGETED DISCUSSION



HOMEPAGE SEARCH HIGHLIGHTED



The screenshot shows the eCQI Resource Center homepage. The top navigation bar includes links for eCQMs, dQMs, Resources, About, and Log in, along with a search site input field. The main content area features a large blue banner with the text "Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement (eCQI) Resource Center" and "Transforming eCQI through collaboration, education, and standards". Below this banner are three orange buttons: "Eligible Clinician eCQMs", "Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eCQMs", and "Outpatient Quality Reporting eCQMs". To the right of the banner is a "Featured News & Events" section with two news items: "Now Available: Updated eCQM Data Element Repository (DERep) for CY2024 Repo..." and "2023 CMS HL7® FHIR® Connectathon". Below the banner is a "Search for eCQMs" section with a search bar and filters for ECQM, Period, and eCQM Title or CMSID.

eCQI
RESOURCE CENTER

eCQMs
Electronic Clinical Quality Measures

dQMs
Digital Quality Measures

Resources
Standards, Tools, & Resources

About
eCQI, CDS, FAQs Engage

Log in
Manage Your Account

Search site

Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement (eCQI) Resource Center

Transforming eCQI through collaboration, education, and standards

Eligible Clinician eCQMs >

Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eCQMs >

Outpatient Quality Reporting eCQMs >

Featured News & Events

[View All](#)

Jun 29, 2023
Now Available: Updated eCQM Data Element Repository (DERep) for CY2024 Repo...

Jul 18, 2023 @ 9:00am EDT
2023 CMS HL7® FHIR® Connectathon

Search for eCQMs

ECQM
- Any -

Period
- Any -

eCQM Title or CMSID
May use partial title

Search

MEASURE SPEC DOWNLOAD - ZIP



Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eCQMs

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Select Period 2023 ▾

Filter By

eCQMs ▾

Apply Filters

Find older eCQM specifications in the [eCQM Standards and Tools Version](#) table.

eCQM Resources

EH/CAH eCQMs

About

2023 Reporting Period Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eCQMs



Total number of EH/CAH eCQMs: 13

Title ▾	Short Name ▾	CMS eCQM ID ▾	NQF Number ▾	Download Specifications	Notes ▾
Anticoagulation Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter	STK-3	CMS71v12	Not Applicable	CMS71v12.zip (ZIP)	
Antithrombotic Therapy By End of Hospital Day 2	STK-5	CMS72v11	Not Applicable	CMS72v11.zip (ZIP)	
Cesarean Birth	PC-02	CMS334v4	Not Applicable	CMS334v4-v2.zip (ZIP)	
Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy	STK-2	CMS104v11	Not Applicable	CMS104v11.zip (ZIP)	
Discharged on Statin Medication	STK-6	CMS105v11	Not Applicable	CMS105v11.zip (ZIP)	



MEASURE SPEC DOWNLOAD - HTML

POLL - Zip or HTML



Eligible Clinician eCQMs

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Select Period

2023

Filter By

eCQMs

Apply Filters

Find older eCQM specifications in the [eCQM Standards and Tools Version](#) table.

eCQM Resources



EC eCQMs

About

2023 Performance Period Eligible Clinician eCQMs
Total number of EC eCQMs: 47

Search eCQMs

Apply

Title	CMS eCQM ID	NQF Number	MIPS Quality ID	Telehealth Eligible*	Human Readable Specs	Notes
Adult Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Suicide Risk Assessment	CMS161v11	0104e	107	Yes	 CMS161v11.html	
Anti-depressant Medication Management	CMS128v11	Not Applicable	009	Yes	 CMS128v11.html	
Appropriate Testing for Pharyngitis	CMS146v11	Not Applicable	066	Yes	 CMS146v11.html	
Appropriate Treatment for Upper Respiratory Infection (URI)	CMS154v11	Not Applicable	065	Yes	 CMS154v11.html	



MEASURE SPEC DOWNLOAD - FEEDBACK

- Poll: Measure Spec Download - Would you prefer HTML or ZIP?
 - 52 responses
 - HTML – 36%
 - ZIP – 63%
- Chat:
 - Can you have them in both places? (eCQM table and individual specification page?) Yes
- Comments:
 - Great change!
 - This is great!
 - This is a great change



INDIVIDUAL MEASURE SPECIFICATION PAGE - ECQM FLOWS

Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents

POLL - Beneficial Y/N

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Measure Information

Specifications and Data Elements

Release Notes

Specifications

Attachment	Size
 CMS155v11.html	89.17 KB
 CMS155v11.zip (ZIP)	77.19 KB
 CMS155v11-TRN.xlsx (Excel)	21.65 KB
 CMS155v11-eCQMFlow.pdf (PDF)	3.78 MB

Data Element Repository

[Data Elements contained within CMS155v11](#)

Value Sets

[Value Sets to be used with CMS155v11](#)



INDIVIDUAL MEASURE SPECIFICATION

PAGE - ECQM FLOWS - FEEDBACK

- Poll: Individual Measure Spec page - add Flows
 - 41 responses
 - Yes – 87%
 - No – 12%
- Comments
 - Super valuable to have under specifications



MEASURE COLLABORATION WORKSPACE

<https://ecqi.healthit.gov/mc-workspace-2>

Measure Collaboration (MC) Workspace

About eCQM Concepts eCQM Testing Opportunities eCQM Data Element Repository

MC Workspace

The MC Workspace brings together a set of interconnected resources, tools, and processes to promote transparency and better interaction across stakeholder communities that develop, implement, and report electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs).



MC Workspace Components

The MC Workspace is comprised of three modules to assist clinicians, eCQM developers, implementers, and submitters during the entire eCQM Lifecycle, from initial measure concept, through development, implementation, and reporting to CMS. Goals of the MC Workspace are to

- Provide detailed data element definitions to support implementation
- Achieve harmonization across measures, data elements, and value sets
- Improve alignment of measure concepts with clinical need and newly published guidelines

eCQM Concepts

The eCQM Concepts module provides users the ability to comment on eCQM concepts suggested by others, suggest new eCQM concepts, and find links to sources to identify whether similar eCQMs exist. User feedback can help guide a measure developer to refine a concept and purpose of a new eCQM to better meet the needs of those interested in quality measurement. [Visit the eCQM Concepts module.](#)

eCQM Testing Opportunities

The eCQM Testing Opportunities module provides stakeholders with available opportunities to participate in eCQM testing. Measure developers use testing for a variety of reasons throughout the Measure Lifecycle. [Visit the eCQM Testing Opportunity module.](#)

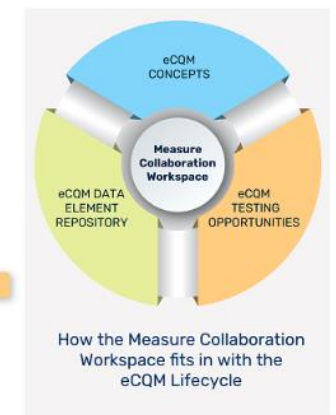
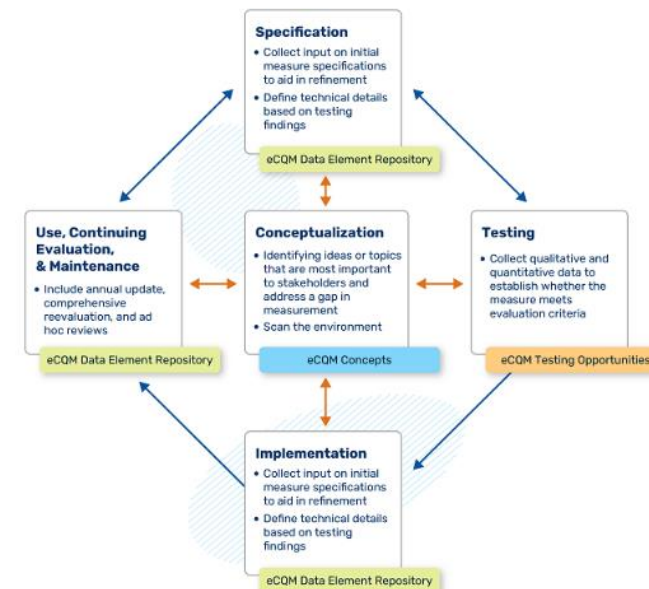
MC Workspace Education

Featured Research Resources


Browse these featured [links](#) to identify whether a similar measure concept exists or to get more information about CMS measures:

- [CMS Measures Inventory Tool \(CMIT\)](#)
- [Meaningful Measures Initiative](#)
- [Pre-rulemaking and Measures Under Consideration \(MUC\)](#)
- [Pre-rulemaking eCQMs for Eligible Hospitals/Critical Access Hospitals](#)
- [Pre-rulemaking eCQMs for Eligible Clinicians](#)

Use the MC Workspace to support the eCQM Lifecycle



MC WORKSPACE - CONCEPTS

 MC Workspace

Measure Collaboration (MC) Workspace

[About](#) [eCQM Concepts](#) [eCQM Testing Opportunities](#) [eCQM Data Element Repository](#)

Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQM) Concepts

The Measure Collaboration Workspace Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQM) Concepts module gives users the ability to search for eCQM concepts suggested by others and comment on those suggested eCQM concepts, submit new eCQM concepts, describe the population(s), and assign a care setting. There are hyperlinks to the CMS Measures Inventory Tool (CMIT) and the National Quality Forum's (NQF) Quality Positioning System (QPS) to help identify whether similar eCQMs already exist. Feedback provided through the eCQM Concepts Module can help guide a measure developer to refine the concept and purpose behind a new eCQM and develop detailed specifications to meet the needs of targeted quality measurement stakeholders.

How to Comment on or Suggest an eCQM Concept

If you have an eCQM concept in mind or want to comment on an eCQM concept someone else has suggested, follow these simple steps to propose your idea:

1. Search the [CMS Measures Inventory Tool](#) to see if your suggested eCQM concept is in progress or already exists.
2. Review the list of suggested eCQMs, click the name of the concept of interest to see if the details of the suggested concept are similar to your idea for an eCQM. If yes, it is similar, offer comments to the submitter in the Add new comment box.
3. If no, suggest your eCQM concept by clicking [Suggest an eCQM Concept](#) and fill out the form.

See the [MC Workspace User Guide \(PDF\)](#) to learn more about how to use the MC Workspace eCQM Concepts Module.

Suggest an eCQM Concept

Create an [eCQI](#) Resource Center account to suggest an [eCQM](#) Concept.

Create new account >

Already have an eCQI Resource Center account? [Sign in](#)

Suggested eCQM Concepts

No eCQM Concepts currently available.

<https://ecqi.healthit.gov/mc-workspace-2/ecqm-concepts>



MC WORKSPACE - CONCEPTS

- Gives users the ability to:
 - Search for eCQM concepts suggested by others
 - Comment on those suggested eCQM concepts
 - Submit new eCQM concepts, describe the population(s), and assign a care setting
 - Check hyperlinks to the CMS Measures Inventory Tool ([CMIT](#)) and the Partnership for Quality Measurement (PQM) Submission Tool and Repository ([STAR](#)) Measure Database to help identify whether similar eCQMs already exist
- Feedback provided through the eCQM Concepts Module can help guide an eCQM developer to refine the concept and purpose behind a new eCQMs.



MC WORKSPACE – CONCEPTS - DISCUSSION

- POLL - If this module was populated with proposed new concepts, would it be beneficial to you? Y/N
 - 40 responses
 - Yes 95%
 - No 5%
- Were you aware of the MC Workspace concepts module?
 - No
 - Was not aware
 - Not aware
 - Wasn't aware of it
 - I was not aware; both for review and proposal
 - I am not interested in knowing about new measures in development for the future
 - Proposing measures is within my role
 - I believe I had noticed it before but didn't really take time to review what was there but will be more interested now
 - Unaware of that, but like the idea of it



MC WORKSPACE – CONCEPTS - DISCUSSION

- Where do you go to look for and review new measure concepts?
 - CMS and Fed Register
 - Payer data on what they are requesting for value-based care, etc.
 - CMS CMIT
 - NCQA measures
 - I don't go at all; I just work on what's already required
 - CMS MUC list
 - Received an email back in the spring about MUC so did check that out when I received it
 - CMS proposed rule and MUC
 - Quality Net email notifications on upcoming measures



MC WORKSPACE – CONCEPTS - DISCUSSION

- General Comment:
 - Sounds more like new ideas for measures. A measure concept could have been like "initial population concept", denominator exception concept, stratification concept. The name "ecqm concepts" did not resonate with me as a place to look for and propose new measure ideas.



MC WORKSPACE – TESTING OPPORTUNITIES

Measure Collaboration (MC) Workspace

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Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQM) Testing Opportunities

The eCQM Testing Opportunity module provides stakeholders with available opportunities to participate in eCQM testing. Measure developers use testing for a variety of reasons throughout the Measure Lifecycle. They need pilot sites to

- assess measure feasibility
- determine the extent to which the required data elements are available and retrievable in the electronic health record/health information technology
- determine the extent to which measured entities can implement without undue burden for performance measurement
- assess measure reliability
- assess measure validity
- reassess after updating specifications
- assess measure usefulness

Are you a stakeholder interested in testing eCQMs?

There are several potential benefits:

- Test site staff will gain insight into quality measurement that could help your organization refine its internal efforts to improve quality.
- Test site staff will help provide insight for a measure that CMS may use in its quality reporting programs.
- Test sites may receive an incentive.

*There are no testing opportunities currently available. Please check back.

Are you a measure developer looking to announce eCQM testing opportunities?

Complete the testing announcement [template](#) and send to ecqi-resource-center@hhs.gov.

See the [MC Workspace User Guide \(PDF\)](#) to learn more about how to use the MC Workspace eCQM Testing Opportunities Module.

<https://ecqi.healthit.gov/mc-workspace-2/testing-opportunities>



MC WORKSPACE – TESTING OPPORTUNITIES - DISCUSSION

The eCQM Testing Opportunity module provides stakeholders with available opportunities to participate in eCQM testing.

- POLL - If this module was populated with testing opportunities, would it be beneficial to you? Y/N
 - 33 responses
 - Yes – 78%
 - No – 21%
 - Comments:
 - Depends on the burden
 - Is this similar to the PC-8 testing we are currently doing?



USER GROUP FREQUENCY

CMS and the eCQI Resource Center team are considering changing the frequency of the eCQI Resource User Group meeting.

POLL - Would you to prefer the group to meet:

- 41 responses
- Every other month 46%
- Quarterly 53%



OPEN DISCUSSION



If you have a question about the measure for eCQM who do you reach out to?

eCQM specific questions can be asked in the ONC Jira project- [eCQM Issue Tracker - Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology \(healthit.gov\)](https://healthit.gov/eCQM-Issue-Tracker)

Are there education modules or videos for someone new to eCQMs to better understand them as a whole?

Yes, reviewed the Get Started with eCQM pages, education pages, and standards pages.

OPEN DISCUSSION



Additional Comments:

Thank You!

Thank you for this!

Very helpful

Thank you

Good presentation

Thank you

Thank you

Thank you



ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP NEXT STEPS

- Send feedback and suggestions for site improvement to ecqi-resource-center@hhs.gov
- Attend the next eCQI Resource Center User Group Meeting: **TBD**
- Add meeting series to your calendar: <https://ecqi.healthit.gov/events/3386>
- Review past meeting notes on the [eCQI Resource Center User Group](#) page



APPENDIX



ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP MEMBERSHIP

- Volunteer forum of stakeholders who use the electronic clinical quality improvement (eCQI) Resource Center to obtain key resources necessary for electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM) development, implementation, and reporting and education about eCQM and eCQI concepts and standards.



ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP GOAL

- Provide broad stakeholder input in the development and maintenance of the eCQI Resource Center's functionality and content to support the eCQI community.
 - Identify, discuss, and review the needs of the eCQI implementer community.
 - The outcome of discussions will result in suggested enhancements to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) eCQI Resource Center COR for approval.
 - Approved suggestions for enhancements will result in implementation on the eCQI Resource Center, deeper investigation at eCQI Resource Center focus groups, and/or be placed on the eCQI Resource Center backlog suggestion list.



ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP OBJECTIVES

- Focus on the implementer community including the usability of and gaps in resources provided
- Inform users of new functionality and content
- Gather real-world feasibility and community feedback on proposed eCQI Resource Center enhancements and features
- Provide eCQI Resource Center focus group opportunities
- Prioritize items for in depth discussion during eCQI Resource Center focus groups
- Advance CMS's understanding of implementer needs for Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources® eCQMs
- Understand the needs of the eCQI community

