ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP

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ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP AGENDA

- Welcome

- Who are we today?

- Review of New Enhancements, Key Content, and Upcoming Events

- 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 – WHO ARE WE TODAY?

83 participants

- Select the user type you most identify with:

- 71 responses
  - Academic/Researcher 1%
  - CDS Developer/Steward/Implementer 1%
  - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Hospital/Critical Access Hospital 35%
  - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Clinician 23%
  - eCQM Implementer or quality professional working with Eligible Hospital/CAH and Eligible Clinician 20%
  - Health IT Developer/Vendor 7%
  - Measure Developer/Measure Steward 10%
  - Other 3%

NEW CONTENT HIGHLIGHTS

- QRDA III IG updated https://ecqi.healthit.gov/qrda?qt-tabs_qrda=versions
- QI-Core https://ecqi.healthit.gov/qi-core?qt-tabs_general=about
- eCQM Known Issues in Jira
  - Kidney Health Evaluation, CMS951v2 & v3 https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ep-ec?qt-tabs_ep=ec-ecqms&globalyearfilter=2025&global_measure_group=eCQMs
  - Excessive Radiation, CMS1074v2 https://ecqi.healthit.gov/eh-cah?qt-tabs_eh=eh-cah-ecqms&global_measure_group=eCQMs
- Excessive Radiation measure updated file attachments
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ecqm/ec/2025/cms1056v2?qt-tabs_measure=specifications-measure-resources
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ecqm/eh/2025/cms1074v2?qt-tabs_measure=specifications-measure-resources
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ecqm/oqr/2025/cms1206v2?qt-tabs_measure=specifications-measure-resources
- Hardship/exception language on the measure About pages
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ep-ec?qt-tabs_ep=about&global_measure_group=eCQMs
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/eh-cah?qt-tabs_eh=about&global_measure_group=eCQMs
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/oqr?qt-tabs_oqr=about&global_measure_group=eCQMs

NEW CONTENT HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)

- Renamed individual measure tabs
  - Specifications & Data Elements tab to Specifications & Measure Resources
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ecqm/oqr/2025/cms0996v5?qt-tabs_measure=measure-information
- Renamed Release Notes to Technical Release Notes
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ecqm/oqr/2025/cms1206v2?qt-tabs_measure=specifications-measure-resources
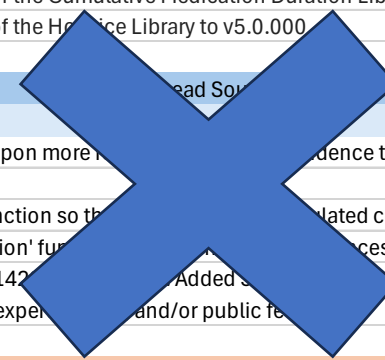- Updated/renamed eCQM menu / pages
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/eh-cah
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/oqr
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/ep-ec

TECHNICAL RELEASE NOTES PAGE DISPLAY

by Type of TRN (current-ish):
Header, Logic, Value Sets

Header		
TRN	Measure Section	Source of Change
Updated Copyright	Copyright	Annual Update
Updated the rationale based upon more recent literature and evidence to support the measure.	Rationale	Measure Lead
Updated references	Reference	Measure Lead

Logic		
TRN	Measure Section	Source of Change
Updated the version number of the Cumulative Medication Duration Library to v2.0.000	Definitions	Annual Update
Updated the version number of the Hospice Library to v5.0.000	Definitions	Annual Update
Updated the version number of the Cumulative Medication Duration Library to v2.0.000	Functions	Annual Update
Updated the version number of the Hospice Library to v5.0.000	Functions	Annual Update

Value Sets		
TRN	Measure Section	Source of Change
Value set Hospice Care Ambulatory (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1584): Deleted 3 SNOMED CT codes (170935008, 170936009, 305911006) based on review by technical experts, SMEs, and/or public feedback	Terminology	Measure Lead
Added value set Hospice Diagnosis (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.1165) based on review by technical experts, SMEs, and/or public feedback	Terminology	Measure Lead

by Source of Change:
Annual Update, Measure Lead, Standards/Technical Update, Jira

Annual Update Source of change		
Type of TRN	TRN	Measure Section
Header	Updated Copyright	Copyright
Logic	Updated the version number of the Cumulative Medication Duration Library to v2.0.000	Definitions
Logic	Updated the version number of the Hospice Library to v5.0.000	Definitions

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Type of TRN	TRN	Measure Section
Header	Updated the rationale based upon more ...dence to support the measure.	Rationale
Header	Updated references	Reference
Logic	Updated the 'CodeToDaily' function so th...lated consistently	Functions
Logic	Updated the 'CumulativeDuration' fu... ...ces	Functions
Value Set	Value set Payer (2.16.840.1.1142... ...Added ...11, 1112, 142, 344, 141) based on review by technical exper... ...and/or public fe...	Terminology

Standards/Technical Update Source of Change		
Type of TRN	TRN	Measure Section
Logic	Updated the names of CQL definitions, functions, and/or aliases for clarification and to align with the CQL Style Guide	Definitions

TECHNICAL RELEASE NOTES

- Page formatting will be updated in 2025 eCQM Annual Update based on user group feedback

<u>Current/Old</u>

<u>Starting next AU</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Expert to Expert Series
  - 2025 Reporting Year Annual Updates for Global Malnutrition Composite Score (GMCS) eCQM
  - Date: January 23, 2025
  - Register: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1278037575619576158

- CMS Soliciting Specialty Measure Sets Recommendations for the MIPS 2026 Performance Year
  - Deadline: January 31, 2025
  - https://ecqi.healthit.gov/cms-soliciting-specialty-measure-sets-recommendations-mips-2026-performance-year

- CMS Quality Conference
  - Dates: March 17-19, 2025
  - https://www.cmsqualcon.com

TARGETED DISCUSSION

MEASURE COLLABORATION CONCEPTS

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

1. **Measure Concepts In-Progress** - concepts (or data elements) under development (posted on MMS Hub) that measure developers are seeking feedback on behalf of CMS or another federal agency.

2. **Measure Concepts Under Consideration** - concepts CMS/federal agency is considering for which no contracted work has started or work measure developers have begun preliminary work on i.e. environmental scan /lit review. These concepts are to be provided by CMS, other federal agencies and/or measure developers to the eCQI RC for posting of the concept/data element within the Measure Concepts module.

3. **New Measure Concept** – concepts submitted by the public for which CMS has not seen.

POLL – Would having these concepts available for comment be helpful?
38 responses:
- Yes 100%
- No

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OPEN DISCUSSION

OPEN DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Under Eligible Hospital Inpatient eCQMs, have you considered putting Hybrid measures in their own category - while these measures are in the IQR but are also scheduled to show up in new programs such as the TEAM Model and MBQIP?

  - *Resource Center (RC) team responded they will bring to CMS for consideration.*

- Question about highlighting hospitals that have tested eCQMs as a resource for other hospitals.

  - *RC team responded with highlighting the Jira links on each individual measure specification page as a resource to questions asked and answered as hospitals did not want their names out there.*

  - *The responses to those tickets should be summarized and confirmed as communications directly from CMS.*

  - *Shouldn't be dependent on me reading tickets.*

- Is there a way to download the codes used in the ePC07 to use to validate for the cases - severe obstetric complications

  - *RC team responded only in the NLM's VSAC due to code system copyright issues.* https://vsac.nlm.nih.gov/

- Do all eCQMS have flows for EC too?

  - *RC team responded that they do.*

OPEN DISCUSSION ITEMS (CONT.)

- Where can I find about submission requirement for 2025 for OQR eCQMs ?

- Is there a place with a list of all eligible and mandatory eCQMs?

- Where can you look to see when the eCQM measures are optional or mandatory?
  - *RC team responded that these questions are specific to CMS quality programs and end users need to review the program websites directly.*

- Are there simple detail spec sheets available without all of the complicated details? A short handout just to show the basics of the measure

  - *RC team responded there are overviews for the claims-based measures and they will share ask with CMS.*

- Consensus Based Entities - how do we follow them? Is their contact information available on the eCQI?
  - *RC team demonstrated where the links to the CBE information is on the eCQI Resource Center.*

ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP AND SITE OVERVIEW

ECQI RESOURCE CENTER USER GROUP MEMBERSHIP

- *Volunteer forum of interested parties 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 interested parties' 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*

ECQI RESOURCE CENTER DEMONSTRATION HIGHLIGHTS

- eCQM Measure pages
    - Resources with filters
    - Compare Feature
    - Specifications
    - Data Element, Flows, Jira tickets
- Getting Started with eCQMs
- eCQM Implementation Checklist
- eCQM Annual Update Timeline
- Search Feature – Advanced
- eCQM search on homepage
- Engage in eCQI

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: **April 15, 2025**
- Add meeting series to your calendar: https://ecqi.healthit.gov/events/4526
- Review past meeting notes on the eCQI Resource Center User Group page
- Comments:
  - Thank you! This was very helpful.
  - Thank you
  - Very helpful
  - Thank you for all of your work on the website. It looks so much better and easier to use. Appreciate the efforts/time spent on this.
  - Thank you. This is super helpful!
  - I have to drop off, but I wanted to say Thank You! This group has really made some great progress!!
  - The JIRA notifications are very helpful!
  - That's great, thank you.