

## CLINICIAN COMMITTEE COMPOSITION (MEMBERSHIP) LIST

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**Project Title:**

Development of an Heart Failure Outpatient Outcome Measure for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS)

**Dates:**

Yale New Haven Health Services Corporation - Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation (CORE) anticipates holding two to three teleconference meetings between October 2018 and July 2019, as well as an all-day in-person meeting in the Baltimore, MD in February 2019.

**Project Overview:**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has contracted with Yale New Haven Health Services Corporation - Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation (CORE) to develop outpatient outcome measures that can be used to assess the quality of care provided by clinicians who are eligible to participate in the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS).

As part of this project, CORE is developing a measure focused on care provided for patients with heart failure (hereinafter, MIPS heart failure measure). The measure will be risk-adjusted for patient complexity. The quality measure scores will be calculated using patient characteristics and outcomes documented on routinely submitted Medicare claims; therefore, the clinicians whose performance will be assessed by the quality measure will not need to submit any additional data directly to CMS.

As part of its measure development process, CORE convenes groups of stakeholders and experts who contribute direction and thoughtful input during measure development and maintenance. CORE has convened a Clinician Committee composed of front-line clinicians from rural and/or underserved communities, professional/specialty society representatives, as well as other clinicians caring for patients with heart failure. The Clinician Committee is providing input to help shape the approach to the measure, such as which types of outcomes should be counted in the measure.

The individuals named in [Table 1](#) were selected for and have agreed to serve on the Clinician Committee for this measure.

The contract name is Measure & Instrument Development and Support (MIDS): Development, Reevaluation, and Implementation of Outpatient Outcome/Efficiency Measures. The contract number is HHSM-500-2013-13018I.

**Table 1. Clinician Committee for project entitled “Development of a Heart Failure Outpatient Outcome Measure for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System”**

<b>Name, credentials, and clinical specialty (if applicable)</b>	<b>Title (Organization)</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Front-line clinician</b>	<b>Professional/ specialty society representative (nominated by)</b>	<b>Conflict of interest disclosure</b>
<b>Scott Baute</b> , MS, PA-C; <i>cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cardiology physician assistant (George Washington Hospital)</li> </ul>	Washington, D.C.	Male	No	Yes (American Academy of Physician Assistants)	None disclosed
<b>Margaret Bowers</b> , DNP, FNP-BC, AACC, CHSE, FAANP; <i>cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nurse practitioner (Duke University School of Nursing)</li> </ul>	Durham, NC	Female	Yes	Yes (American Association of Nurse Practitioners)	None disclosed
<b>Sara Collins</b> , MD, FACC; <i>interventional cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending physician (Capital Cardiology Consultants, P.C.)</li> <li>Medical Director, Cardiology – Heart Failure Rehabilitation Program (BridgePoint Hospital National Harbor)</li> </ul>	Washington, D.C	Female	Yes	No	None disclosed
<b>Patricia Davidson</b> , MD, FACP; <i>internal medicine, cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physician (MedStar Health)</li> </ul>	Washington, D.C	Female	Yes	No	None disclosed

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<b>Bhargavi Degapudi, MD;</b> <i>nephrology, palliative care</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical Director, Care Transitions and Palliative Care (AtlantiCare)</li> </ul>	Atlantic City, NJ	Female	Yes	No	None disclosed
<b>John Duane Heick, PT, PhD, DPT;</b> <i>physical therapy, heart failure</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Associate Professor (Northern Arizona University)</li> <li>Physical Therapist (Select/Physiotherapy Associates)</li> </ul>	Flagstaff, AZ	Male	No	Yes (American Physical Therapy Association)	None disclosed
<b>L.E. Gomez, MD, MBA;</b> <i>emergency medicine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine (Howard University School of Medicine)</li> <li>Physician Quality Improvement Advisor (HealthCare Dynamics International)</li> </ul>	Annapolis, MD	Male	Yes	No	None disclosed
<b>Paul A. Heidenreich, MD, MS;</b> <i>cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professor of Medicine, Vice-Chair Clinical Quality and Analytics (Stanford University School of Medicine)</li> <li>Physician, Director of Echocardiography (VA Palo Alto Health Care System)</li> </ul>	Palo Alto, CA	Male	No	Yes (Heart Failure Society of America)	None disclosed

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<b>Barbara Hutchinson,</b> MD, PhD, FACC; <i>cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physician and Managing Partner (Chesapeake Cardiac Care, PA)</li> <li>Instructor in Medicine (University of Maryland Hospital)</li> </ul>	Annapolis, MD	Female	Yes	No	None disclosed
<b>Michelle Kittleson,</b> MD, PhD; <i>cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Director, Post Graduate Medical Education in Heart Failure and Transplantation; Associate Professor of Medicine; Director, Heart Failure Research (Cedars-Sinai Medical Center)</li> </ul>	Los Angeles, CA	Female	No	Yes (American Heart Association)	None disclosed
<b>Mary Krebs,</b> MD; <i>family medicine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Medicine Physician (HealthSource of Ohio)</li> <li>Family Medicine Faculty (Soin Medical Center)</li> </ul>	Xenia, OH	Female	Yes	Yes (American Academy of Family Physicians)	None disclosed
<b>Joel Rosen,</b> MD, FAAFP, FHM; <i>primary care</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical Director (Christus St. Vincent Regional Medical Center)</li> </ul>	Santa Fe, NM	Male	Yes	No	None disclosed

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<b>Michael Steinman, MD;</b> <i>geriatrics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professor of Medicine (University of California at San Francisco School of Medicine)</li> <li>Attending physician (San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center)</li> </ul>	San Francisco, CA	Male	No	Yes (American Geriatrics Society)	Previously consulted for iodine.com, an internet start-up that solicited and shared information from medication users about medication effectiveness and adverse effects; unpaid role and formally terminated work with them in October 2017
<b>John Teeters, MD;</b> <i>preventative cardiology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chief of Cardiology (University of Rochester Medical Center)</li> <li>Executive Medical Director (Accountable Health Partners)</li> <li>Director (Heart Failure Center at Highland Hospital)</li> </ul>	Rochester, NY	Male	Yes	Yes (American College of Cardiology)	None disclosed