

## TECHNICAL EXPERT PANEL COMPOSITION (MEMBERSHIP) LIST

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**Project Title:**

Hospital Quality Star Ratings on *Hospital Compare*

**Dates:**

March – September 2018

**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) and Lantana, Inc. for the development and maintenance of the publicly reported Star Ratings. The CORE contract name is Development, Reevaluation, and Implementation of Outcome/Efficiency Measures for Hospital and Eligible Clinicians, Option Year 4; contract number HHSM-500-2013-13018I, Task Order HHSM-500-T0001, and the Lantana contract is called Hospital Compare Support Contract (HCSC) Option Year 4; contract number HHSM-500-2013-13010I/HHSM-500-T0001. As part of the development and maintenance processes, CORE and HCSC convenes groups of stakeholders and experts who contribute direction and thoughtful input during methodology refinement and maintenance. The following individuals were selected and have agreed to serve as the Technical Expert Panel for this project.

**Table 1. Technical Expert Panel Roster for Hospital Quality Star Ratings on *Hospital Compare***

<b>Name, Credentials, Professional Role</b>	<b>Organizational Affiliation, City, State</b>	<b>Consumer Perspective</b>	<b>Clinical Content</b>	<b>Performance Measurement</b>	<b>Coding and Informatics</b>	<b>Conflict of Interest Disclosure</b>
Andy Amster, MSPH, Senior Director of Center for Healthcare Analytics, Department of Care and Service Quality	Kaiser Permanente, Los Angeles, CA	No	No	Yes	No	No
Karl Bilimoria, MD, MS, Director of Surgical Outcomes and Quality Improvement Center	Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL	No	Yes	Yes	No	Dr. Bilimoria completed a simple study examining the types of hospitals receiving higher CMS Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings. This work is complete and no additional work is anticipated.
Larry Boress, MPA, Executive Director of Employer Membership Organization Focused on Health Benefits	National Association of Worksite Health Centers, Chicago, IL	No	No	Yes	No	No
John Bott, MSSW, MBA, Manager of Healthcare Ratings	Consumer Reports, Yonkers, NY	No	No	Yes	Yes	No

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Angelo Bufalino, PhD, Senior Director of Analytics	Ascension Clinical Research Institute, St Louis, MO	No	No	Yes	No	Ascension Healthcare and their acute care hospitals are impacted by the CMS Quality Star Ratings. The Ascension Healthcare Care Excellence Analytics team has completed a full re-implementation of the CMS SAS Pack script using open-source software platforms. Dr. Bufalino noted that participation on this committee will not impact the intent of Ascension Healthcare to publish findings and re-implementation results on the CMS SAS Pack script.
Cynthia Dunlap, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE, Vice President of Clinical Initiatives and Quality	Texas Hospital Association Foundation, Austin, TX	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Rachel Grob, MA, PhD, Director of National Initiatives	Center for Patient Partnerships, University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School, Madison, WI	Yes	No	No	No	No
Rodney Hayward, MD, Director of National Clinician Scholars and Professor of Medicine and Public Health; Senior Investigator	Healthcare Policy & Innovation, University of Michigan; Center for Clinical Management Research, VA Healthcare System, Ann Arbor, MI	No	Yes	Yes	No	No

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Jonathan Jennings, MBA, RN, Assistant Vice President of Cardiovascular and Neuroscience Services	Hospital Corporation of America Corporate Office, Nashville, TN	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Maria de Jesus Diaz-Perez, PhD, Quality Measures Program Manager	Center for Improving Value in Health Care, Denver, CO	No	No	Yes	No	No
Paul Kallaur, MS, Vice President of Surveys and Research	Center for the Study of Services/Consumers' CHECKBOOK	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Casey Schwarz, JD, Policy & Client Services Counsel	Medicare Rights Center, New York, NY	Yes	No	No	No	No
David Shahian, MD, Vice President of Center for Quality and Safety; Professor of Surgery	Massachusetts General Hospital; Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA	No	Yes	Yes	No	Dr. Shahian is also a CMS Hospital-Wide Mortality working group member
Brock Slabach, MPH, FACHE, Senior Vice President of Member Services	National Rural Health Association, Leawood, KS	No	No	No	No	No
Julie Wall, RN, MBA, FACMPE, System Vice President of Quality & Patient Safety	Benefits Health System, Great Falls, MT	No	Yes	Yes	No	No

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Guofen Yan, PhD, Associate Professor of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, Department of Public Health	University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA	No	No	Yes	No	No