CMS Wants Your Perspective and Experience

CMS wants to integrate the unique perspective and expertise of a broad range of stakeholders, including those of the person, family, and/or caregivers and the clinicians and professionals who provide care, in the measure development process.

YOUR EXPERIENCE IS YOUR EXPERTISE.

As a partner, YOU can help:
- Identify important and meaningful issues from your perspective
- Identify information needed to make informed healthcare decisions
- Developers and CMS produce high-quality measures that are easily understood, relevant, and useful.

How to Get Involved, First Steps:
There are many ways you can engage throughout the lifecycle of quality measure development, whatever role you have as an individual patient, clinician, or as a member of a professional association or patient advocacy group. The first step is to increase your own knowledge and understanding of clinical quality measures:
- What are quality measures?
- How do they work?
- How do measures impact healthcare?

Join a TEP:
A Technical Expert Panel (TEP) is a group of people who care about or have experience in some type of care, illness, or procedure. TEP members include patients and clinicians. Nominate yourself to be on a TEP panel to share your experiences to help measure developers design better measures. Please visit the CMS TEP webpage to see what panels are forming. Your experiences make you an expert.

Provide Public Comments:
You can also respond in writing during public comment periods for proposed measures. This is your opportunity to share your ideas and experience on whether measures are important and how CMS can use them to improve healthcare.