

SNF Hospital Readmission Reduction Measure (HRRM)

Technical Expert Panel

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INTRODUCTION

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has contracted with RTI International to develop a hospital readmission measure for skilled nursing facilities (SNFs). This new measure is being called the SNF Hospital Readmission Reduction Measure (SNF HRRM). CMS and RTI are convening a Technical Expert Panel (TEP) to review the measure and to obtain feedback from a balance of stakeholder and expert perspectives. Input from this TEP will be used to further refine work on a hospital readmission measure before submitting a measure to the National Quality Forum.

Generally, a nomination period consists of approximately 14 days, although may be extended if additional nominations are sought. Each TEP is generally comprised of approximately 6-8 members, although additional members may be invited to join as appropriate.

CMS hosts a section on its [Measures Management System Web site](#) for TEP nominations. Both self-nominations and third-party nominations are accepted. Measure contractors receive all TEP nominations and recommend appropriate candidates to CMS for TEP membership approval. Measure contractors may contact national clinically relevant organizations and consumers for input on TEP membership.

The TEP membership is comprised of individuals with the following areas of expertise and perspectives:

- Conceptual understanding of outcome-based quality measurement
- Geriatrics/Internal Medicine
- Performance measurement
- Quality improvement
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Hospital readmissions
- Long term care
- Healthcare disparities

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