

Technical Expert Panel Charter

TEP title: Develop a Hospital-level Measure of Risk- Adjusted 30-Day Episode of Care Payments for Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)

Measure contractors convening the TEP: Yale-New Haven Health Services Corporation/Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation (YNHHSC/CORE).

Background: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has contracted for the development of an administrative claims-based, hospital-level, risk-adjusted measure for payment associated with a 30-day episode of care following admission for AMI.

YNHHSC/CORE follows CMS' structured and standardized approach to measure development, including steps to ensure substantial input from experts and the public. As part of this effort, YNHHSC/CORE is seeking input from individuals with relevant experience and expertise who can provide a variety of perspectives on the development of the measure. This group will serve as the measure's Technical Expert Panel (TEP).

Purpose and Overview of the TEP: The TEP is a group of stakeholders and experts who provide input on the development and maintenance of measures for which the contractor is responsible. Convening the TEP is one important step in the measure development process that ensures transparency and provides an opportunity to obtain balanced input from multiple stakeholders. TEP members are chosen by YNHHSC/CORE to provide input based on their personal experience and training or organizational perspective, and to represent a diversity of perspectives and backgrounds.

Member Responsibilities: YNHHSC/CORE recognizes that TEP members may not be able to attend all meetings, but we expect members to attend a majority of meetings and review and comment on meeting materials for the meetings they cannot attend. For the current effort, YNHHSC/CORE anticipates convening 2- 3, 1-2 hour teleconference meetings. The meetings will be conducted via teleconference between July, 2012 and November, 2012. Meeting agendas and background materials will be provided to TEP members at least one week prior to each meeting. Member comments and recommendations will be summarized in a report which will be publicly available.

Specific responsibilities of TEP members will be to:

- Complete the TEP Nomination/Disclosure/Agreement Form
- Review background materials provided by YNHHSC/CORE prior to each TEP meeting
- Participate in all TEP conference calls
- Provide input to YNHHSC/CORE on key clinical, methodological, and other decisions
- Provide feedback to YNHHSC/CORE on key policy or other non-technical issues
- Review the TEP summary report prior to public release
- Be available to discuss recommendations following submission of the measure to the National Quality Forum (NQF).

Term of Appointment



The appointment term for the TEP is through November, 2012.

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