Performance Measures Coordinating Committee (PMCC) Overview

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History of the Common Measure Set on Health Care Quality

2014:

- Legislation ESHB 2572 – SIM Grant
- Performance Measures Coordinating Committee (PMCC) established
  - PMCC established the first Washington State Common Measure Set
- Three technical workgroups (Prevention, Acute Care, Chronic Illness)
- Common Measure Set approved, 52 measure “starter set” (Now 60)
What is the Purpose of the Measure Set?

- To standardize how we measure performance
- Promote a voluntary alignment of measures
- Publicly share results
- Ensure equal access to high-quality health care
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- Informs what measures go into state purchasing contracts
- Informs measures that are selected for value-based purchasing
- Reflects the needs of the population of Washington
- Reflects the priorities of HCA and other partners
- Aligns, where possible, with national reporting requirements
Additional Purposes of the Measure Set: Making the Data Actionable

- Distribution and comparison of performance information for consumers, providers, purchasers and policymakers
- Identification of opportunities to improve value of health care provided through delivery systems
- A path to performance-based payment arrangements and other contract requirements
- “North Star” for how we select measures
Role of the PMCC

PMCC is responsible for:

- Setting overall direction for Common Measure Set, including:
  - Scope of measurement
  - Measure selection process
- Ensure a transparent process and opportunity for public comment
- Review and recommend final measure set to HCA (HCA has final approval)
- Oversee ongoing process to evaluate and modify Common Measure Set over time
Process for adding new measures to the SCMS

- Organization submits letter of consideration to the PMCC, including supporting information
- PMCC determines if an ad hoc workgroup with experts should be convened to further review current measures, if available
- Ad hoc workgroup presents recommendations to PMCC for consideration
- PMCC votes whether or not to adopt new measures
- The proposed additions are released for public comment
- PMCC considers public comments and takes a final vote to adopt/or not
- Final changes are implemented into the SCMS for the following year
Criteria for addition to the SCMS

Required by Legislation:

1. The measure set is of manageable size.
2. Measures are based on readily available health care insurance claims and/or clinical data, and survey data.
3. Preference should be given to nationally-vetted measures (e.g., NQF-endorsed) and other measures currently used by public agencies.
4. Measures assess overall system performance, including outcomes and cost.
5. The measure set is aligned to the extent possible with the Governor’s performance management system measures and common measures specific to the Medicaid program.
6. The measure set considers the needs of different stakeholders and populations served.
7. The measure set is useable by multiple parties (payers, providers, hospitals, health systems, public health and communities).
Criteria for addition to the SCMS, cont.

Added by the Committee:

8. Measures should be aligned with national measure sets and other measure sets commonly used in Washington, whenever possible.

9. Measures should have significant potential to improve health system performance in a way that will positively impact health outcomes (including morbidity, disability, mortality, health equity, and quality of life) and reduce costs.

10. Measures should be amenable to influence of health care providers.

11. There should be a sufficient numerator and denominator size for each measure to produce valid and reliable results.
Hepatitis C Ad Hoc Workgroup

- Convened in spring 2020
- Reviewed a total of 15 HCV measures
- No measures were recommended to the PMCC
- The measures were all a “no pass” for the following reasons:
  - The measures are not, or no longer, relevant
  - The timeframe listed is an issue
  - The guidelines are out of date
- Other thoughts:
  - Need to think about ensuring a right balance between viral load testing and the expectation that we do something about it
  - The VA developed and implemented standards within the past few years
  - Monitor CDC development of a Hep C measure
Questions?

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Additional information:
- Washington Statewide Common Measure Set
- Performance Measures Coordinating Committee