

Endorsement and Maintenance Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care Committee Roster

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Alicia Staley	Patient Partner	MBA, MSIS	VP Patient Engagement	Medidata	Boston, Massachusetts	Ms. Alicia Staley serves as Vice President of Patient Engagement at Medidata. She oversees the Patient Insights Program and works to infuse the patient perspective throughout the product development lifecycle to help engage patients in novel ways. Ms. Staley has over 20 years of experience in software design and information systems management. She is also a three-time cancer survivor, first diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease as a sophomore during college. With an extensive network of patient advocates and non-profit organizations, she collaborates with a wide range of stakeholders to help improve processes and policies that impact cancer care. As a champion of patient advocacy and engagement, she understands the critical issues facing patients in today's complicated health care ecosystem.
Andrew Kohler	Rural Health Expert; Clinician; Facility/Institutional	MD, MBA, CPE	Chairman, President	Rappahannock Health, Atlantic Telehealth	Washington, D.C.	Dr. Andrew Kohler is a physician and chairman of the Rappahannock Health Foundation. He is also President of Atlantic Telehealth. Dr. Kohler has an interest in population health and public policy.
Barbara Winters- Todd	Facility/Institutional; Clinician	DNP, RN, CRRN	Director, Clinical Excellence Informatics	Encompass Health	McCalla, Alabama	Dr. Barbara Winters-Todd has practiced nursing since 1989. She works with the Nursing Leadership Board, Case Management Leadership Board, and Quality Leadership Board for an inpatient rehabilitation organization. She is an active member of the Association for Rehabilitation Nurses nationally serving on research, education committees, and reviewer for the CRRN Core Curriculum. She is a member of the board for the Alabama ARN. She is co-chair of the Advancing Science and Practice Committee for ARN and the RNCB board for the development of rehabilitation nursing curriculum. She has presented nationally at the Amputee Coalition of America and at the Association of Rehabilitation Nursing advocating for patient safety and quality nursing care.



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Brenda Groves	Patient Partner	LPN, CADDCT, CDP	Quality Improvement Consultant	KFMC Health Improvement Partner	Topeka, Kansas	Mrs. Brenda Groves serves as the Kansas Quality Improvement Consultant for KFMC Health Improvement Partners. In this role, she brings expertise in health care quality, long-term care and patient and family engagement to the state and the QIN-QIO region. Mrs. Groves has provided operational management and leadership to large scale quality improvement initiatives for long term care including designing, supporting and leading the development of projects and initiatives to facilitate measurable improvement across the state. Her current role is to lead over 250 nursing home teams in development and implementation of strategies to achieve CMS's vision of transformational change, empowering them with the tools and resources needed to improve quality of care and quality of life for those they serve. Mrs. Groves holds national certifications as an Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Trainer and was awarded Educator of the Year in 2019 by the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners.
Brigette DeMarzo	Facility/Institutional; Other Interested Parties	DrPH, MPH, BS	Quality Director	Northwestern Medicine	Chicago, Illinois	Dr. Brigette DeMarzo has over a decade of experience at the local, state, and national levels of the health care quality ecosystem. She has the benefit of having observed and interacted with quality measurement and quality improvement from a variety of different perspectives and contexts. Within local organizations like Northwest Community Hospital and Northwestern Medicine Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital, she has been responsible for leading teams in quality measurement data collection to drive improvement. Dr. DeMarzo has supported work at the Illinois Health and Hospital Association and leading quality initiatives as part of the Northwestern Medicine collaborative as well as how measurement is used in evaluation by regulators like the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and The Joint Commission.



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Cardinale Smith	Health Equity Expert; Clinician; Facility/Institutional; Health Services Researcher; Other Interested Parties	MD, PhD	Professor of Medicine; Chief Medical Officer; Vice President and Chief Quality Officer, Cancer Clinical Services	Division of Hematology/ Medical Oncology and Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine; Tisch Cancer Hospital, The Mount Sinai Hospital; The Mount Sinai Health System	New York, New York	Dr. Cardinale B. Smith brings a wealth of expertise in the U.S. health care system and a profound commitment to advancing the quality of care, particularly within the context of advanced illness and post-acute care. Her extensive background as a medical oncologist and palliative care physician has endowed her with a deep understanding of the needs of patients with serious illness and the complexities of health care delivery. Dr. Smith's research, which prioritizes health equity and innovative models of equitable cancer care, demonstrates her dedication to enhancing care quality. She has played pivotal roles in evaluating and implementing quality measures, serving as the clinical lead for the Oncology Care Model and contributing to the development of patient-reported experience measures in palliative care. With a wealth of experience in health care quality evaluation, Dr. Smith will greatly contribute to the Partnership for Quality Measurement Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care committee, ensuring the endorsement and maintenance of quality performance measures in health care.
Carol Siebert	Health Equity Expert; Clinician; Other Interested Parties	OTD, OT/L, FAOTA	Occupational Therapist	The Home Remedy	Chapel Hill, North Carolina	Dr. Seibert is an occupational therapist who has worked for 34 years with mostly older adults with functional impairments in their homes. Dr. Seibert practiced on a home-based primary care team serving a low socioeconomic, low literacy older adults in an urban community, this has made her familiar with the disparities in care faced by this population regarding both clinic-based primary care and in transitioning from acute care. For 25 years, Dr. Seibert has been involved in quality monitoring and performance improvement and teaching these concepts to other clinicians and continues to teach clinicians, mostly occupational therapists, about quality metrics and how to use measures to improve practice. Dr. Seibert previously represented the American Occupational Therapy Association in committees related to quality, including serving as a member of The Joint Commission Standards and Survey Committee, the Measures Advisory Committee of PCPI, and, most recently, the NQF Prevention and Population Health Standing Committee.



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Cher Thomas	Patient Partner; Clinician	RDH	Patient Outreach Representative	Renal Support Network	Galveston, Texas	Ms. Cher Thomas is a registered dental hygienist and a renal transplant recipient. After her kidneys failed due to ANCA+ vasculitis, she was a dialysis patient for a year, and afterwards, her brother was her living related donor in 1999. Ms. Thomas is a published author, international public speaker, and a renal and oncology advocate. She has performed both as a hygienist and dental assistant in general dentistry, pediatric dentistry, and public health dentistry. In 2005, she received the Sunstar Award of Distinction in Dental hygiene. She served on a TEP panel for Medicare Quality Control for safety guideline development for Opioid use within the ESRD population and on the National Quality Forum.	
Dima Raskolnikov	Facility/Institutional; Clinician	MD	Assistant Professor of Urology	Montefiore/Albert Einstein College of Medicine	Bronx, New York	Dr. Dima Raskolnikov is a urologist specializing in minimally invasive kidney surgery, with a focus on kidney stones, kidney cancer, and reconstruction. His research focuses on quality improvement programs that make urological care more effective and efficient.	
Donna M. Sternberg	Clinician; Facility/Institutional	RN, BSN	Registered Nurse	Hampton University Proton Therapy Institute	Hampton, Virginia	Ms. Donna Sternberg has been a nurse since 1978, working full-time in this health care environment for over four decades. She has seen great changes in the health care environment and strides for accountability and transparency during this time. She currently, monitors quality measures for a radiation therapy center and feels that this area of practice is underrepresented in the current MIPPS measurement options.	
Donna Woods	Health Services Researcher	EdM, PhD	Professor of Pediatrics and the Institute for Public Health and Medicine	Centers for Healthcare Studies and Education in the Health Sciences, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University	Chicago, Illinois	Dr. Donna Woods is a professor of pediatrics and the Director of the Northwestern Program for Quality and Safety Innovation. She has served on many special interest groups and professional societies such as the AcademyHealth Child Health Services Interest Group as well as the Society for Improving Diagnostic Error.	



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Emily Martin	Clinician; Facility/Institutional	MD, MS, FAAHPM	Associate Director, Palliative Care	University of California, Los Angeles	Los Angeles, California	Dr. Emily Martin is the Associate Director of Palliative Care and Director of Inpatient Palliative Care Services at UCLA, a UCLA Health Physician Informaticist, and a Fellow of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM). She earned her medical degree from the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University, completed internal medicine residency and palliative medicine fellowship at the University of California, San Diego, and earned a Master of Science in Health Policy and Management from the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health. Dr. Martin leads UCLA Palliative Care's quality and safety efforts and serves on several national committees including the AAHPM Quality Committee and the American Radium Society Appropriate Use Criteria Committee on Palliation and Symptom Management.
Erin Crum	Other Interested Parties	MPH	Director, Quality Measurement Portfolio	McKesson	Boise, Idaho	Ms. Erin Crum is the Director of Quality Portfolio Strategy at McKesson. In this role, she creates alignment and a shared vision across McKesson business sectors to support advancements in value-based care models, transformational quality programs, and oncology payment arrangements. She oversees McKesson's quality measurement strategy, in addition to technology development priorities, that are meaningful and impactful to optimizing patient care for community-based oncology practices. In partnership with the US Oncology Network, Ms. Crum spearheaded the development of McKesson's Practice Insights Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR) and custom oncology-specific quality measures. She has 20 years of experience in health care strategy, program/product management, and consulting. She received her Master of Public Health degree from the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia and her Bachelor of Human Biology degree from Stanford University.
Ginette Ayeni	Facility/Institutional; Clinician	FNP-BC	Director Product Development	Aspire Health	Chicago, Illinois	Ms. Ginette Ayeni is dedicated to functional medicine, providing a broader understanding of the interconnected complexity of diseases and the underlying causes. Ms. Ayeni is passionate about whole body wellness and preventative care and trained in functional medicine.



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Heather Thompson	Facility/Institutional	LMSW, CPHQ, CPXP	Director of Quality & Patient Experience, Hospice & Palliative Care	LHC Group/Optum	Lafayette, Louisiana	Ms. Heather Thompson has been working in the field of advanced aging services, hospice, and palliative care for over 20 years. Her service in the health care and advanced illness community has evolved from providing direct care services to patients at the bedside, in both hospitals and home care settings, to now having the honor of leading a team of health care quality professionals who are focused on continuous quality excellence and delivery of a superior health care experience for patients, as well as for their caregivers and families. Her interests in health care are focused on creating seamless transitions throughout a patient's journey in the health care system, by promoting a health care delivery system that is designed with the patient and employee experience at its heart.
Jonathan Nicolla	Other Interested Parties	MBA	Executive Director	Palliative Care Quality Collaborative	Chicago, Illinois	Mr. Jonathan Nicolla has 10 years of experience in developing, testing, stewarding, facilitating, and measuring quality metrics for specialty palliative care in both academic and non-profit settings. He has successfully led the development of two clinical quality data and reporting registries with national program participation through the Global Palliative Care Quality Alliance (GPCQA) hosted within Duke University and the Palliative Care Quality Collaborative (PCQC) as well as collaborating with the American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) to define a set of palliative care quality measures submitted for QCDR approval by CMS.



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Karie Fugate	Patient Partner			Retired, The Boeing Company	Marsing, Idaho	Ms. Karie Fugate is retired after working more than 30 years in the aerospace industry where she held positions in Corporate Safety, Health and Environmental Affairs, Quality, Regulatory Compliance, Engineering, and Supply Chain. Some of the experience included process compliance, data analytics/metrics, auditing, and a host of other duties. Ms. Fugate's experience with the U.S. health care system includes patient safety and advocacy due to family and friends' medical issues, which have included hip replacement, atrial fibrillation, end stage renal disease, kidney transplant, epilepsy, cancer, pancreatitis, COPD, and the various hospitalizations and medical care involved with each. Her interests are varied and include data analytics, volunteer work, and utilizing her time, skills, and experience to support many groups. The Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care committee's endorsement and maintenance (E&M) of quality performance measures is a great opportunity to provide input from a patient and caregiver perspective.
Kristin Rice	Patient Partner	ВА	Change Management Team Lead	Allegis Group	Hanover, Maryland	Ms. Kristin Rice is a Change Management Team Lead with the Allegis Group. She leads cross-functional teams including information services and subject matter experts to study and enact meaningful quality improvement.
Kristin Seidl	Clinician; Facility/Institutional	PhD, RN	Director, Nursing and Patient Care Outcomes & Assistant Professor	University of Maryland Medical Center & University of Maryland School of Nursing	Baltimore, Maryland	Dr. Kristin Seidl is a doctoral prepared nurse who has worked in health care for over 30 years, with 13 years direct clinical experience and over 18 years of experience in the field of health care quality. Across various leadership roles in a large academic medical center, she has been responsible for understanding and communicating quality measures, the relationship of these measures to clinical care and outcomes, and the impact of these measures to performance-based payment programs and quality designation and rating programs. Dr. Seidl recently served on a state sponsored, adverse events measure workgroup that served to identify state-wide patient safety measures in high priority clinical areas. She also holds a faculty appointment at the University of Maryland School of Nursing, where she teaches doctoral level courses about outcome measurement, data analysis and implementation science.



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Kyle Matthews	Patient Partner		Kidney Advocacy Committee (KAC) Member & Patient Representative	National Kidney Foundation & Nevada Kidney Disease Prevention and Education Taskforce	Nevada	Mr. Kyle Matthews serves as a health care volunteer and use my personal experience to raise awareness on the importance of screening, prevention, and access to diverse treatment options for patients with kidney disease.
Lama El Zein	Purchaser and Plan; Clinician; Other Interested Parties	MD, MHA	Senior Medical Director, Population Health and Clinician Engagement	EmblemHealth	New York, New York	Dr. Lama El Zein is currently the Senior Medical Director for Population Health and Clinician Engagement at EmblemHealth, where she focuses on care management, chronic disease, and advanced illness programs as well as value-based care. She is a physician executive, a practicing physician, and an educator with many years of experience in Federal Qualified Health Centers, where she worked on many quality improvement projects at Columbia University Medical Center in NY and Summit Medical Group in NJ. She is an adjunct assistant professor of Medicine at Columbia University center of family medicine in NY, a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians as well as the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative care and the past chair of their quality committee. Dr. El Zein graduated from the American University of Beirut and completed her residency in family medicine at Columbia University. She completed a fellowship in palliative care at Montefiore health system and holds an executive Master of Healthcare Administration from Columbia University School of Public Health.
Lea Dooley	Patient Partner	DHA, MPH	Adolescent Grants & Partnerships Manager	Nationwide Children's Hospital	Columbus, Ohio	Dr. Lea Dooley has a distinguished two-decade career in health care and global public health leadership. Dr. Dooley's international experience showcases expert cross-cultural communication and diplomacy, representing nonprofits and the U.S. government. In her current role, she serves as a subject matter expert on Ryan White 340B compliance, overseeing the administration of 340B funds and federal funding. Dr. Dooley directs quality research, designs care pathways, identifies population health metrics, and fosters departmental relationships for specialized outpatient clinical services that cover HIV, substance use disorder, and transgender care.



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Margherita Labson	Clinician; Other Interested Parties	BSN, MSHSA, CCM, CPHQ	President	MC Labson Consultation and Education Services	Newberry, Florida	Ms. Margherita Labson is a seasoned health care executive, who has spent the majority of her 40 plus years in health care, working with consumers in their home. A recognized expert in home health, palliative and hospice care, she led the Home Care program of The Joint Commission from 2008 to 2020, only to leave to pursue work in home care consumer preferences. She now serves the industry as a trusted consultant and educator in advancing the quality and accessibility to those services. She is a published author, speaker, and educator with extensive experience service as a member of several technical advisory panels.
Maria Regnier	Rural Health Expert; Facility/Institutional	MSN, BSN, RN, CNN	Senior Director Dialysis Services	Sanford Health	Fargo, North Dakota	Ms. Maria Regnier works for an integrated health organization that owns and manages medical clinics, dialysis clinics, critical access hospitals, major medical centers, and long-term care facilities. She has had direct operational oversight of departments in several of these settings and has worked to coordinate the care of patients as they transition between these. She has been actively involved in quality improvement activities with my departments and the health system to improve the quality of care, patient experience, and safety of care provided. She is passionate about working with a team to evaluate meaningful measures that will improve the life and health of patients being served by our health care community.



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Milli West	Facility/Institutional; Other Interested Parties	MBA, CPHQ	System Senior Director of Quality	Intermountain Health/Clinical Excellence	Salt Lake City, Utah	Ms. Milli West leads Intermountain's Clinical Excellence team of system leaders, quality professionals and local operations leaders accountable for supporting regulatory readiness, clinical effectiveness, safety and risk management, infection prevention and control, experience of care and clinical documentation best practice across the Intermountain system, which includes 33 hospitals, Intermountain Homecare & Hospice and over 400 ambulatory care sites across the western U. S. Ms. West has over 22 years of experience in the health care industry, including 3 years of frontline clinical patient care and 19 years of work in quality outcomes, safety and high reliability science, continuous improvement, public reporting, infection prevention, regulatory affairs, accreditation/certification, experience of care and caring, health information management, data collection and analysis, project management, leadership, and change management. She has led multiple initiatives across Intermountain to improve mortality, readmission, infections, length of stay, complications, cost per case and core measure compliance. The Intermountain system ranks in the top decile in its selected benchmarking performance indicator, which is a composite of publicly reported safety, quality, and experience metrics. She has served on NQF's All Cause Admissions and Readmissions Committee since 2020 and is excited to now join PQM's Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care Committee, continuing to support the national agenda for value-based care.



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Morris Hamilton	Other Interested Parties; Health Services Researcher	PhD	Health Economics Senior Associate	Abt Associates	Durham, North Carolina	Dr. Morris Hamilton is an economist with concentrations in health policy and applied econometric methods and a Senior Associate at Abt Associates. Dr. Hamilton has extensive experience managing work for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI), particularly in the post-acute settings for home health and hospice. Dr. Hamilton currently serves as the analytic lead for Measure and Instrument Development and Support (MIDS) "Development and Maintenance of Hospice & Home Health Quality Measures," where he manages mixed methods specialists in the monitoring, development, documentation, and reevaluation of home health and hospice measures for CMS. Dr. Hamilton also provides analytic support for "Home Health Prospective Payment System (HH PPS), Hospice, Home Infusion, and Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System (IRF PPS): Analysis Support and Monitoring" and "Developing Quality Rating Systems," where Abt manages public reporting of nursing home quality on the CMS Care Compare website.
Nicole Keane	Other Interested Parties; Clinician	MSN, RN, CPHQ	Senior Associate	Abt Associates	Cambridge, Massachusetts	Ms. Nicole Keane is a Senior Associate at Abt Associates. Ms. Keane has an extensive clinical and health services research background in health care quality improvement, measure development, team-building and formative evaluation in post-acute, community, and primary care settings. She is an expert project director, task lead, and facilitator for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, CMS, CDC, and AHRQ projects with the enthusiasm and experience to facilitate collaborative quality improvement in areas such as clinical evaluation of COVID-19 data, improving provider opioid prescribing practices, improving cardiac outcomes, capture and dissemination of national innovative health care practices, and coaching state-wide sites (New York and Mississippi) for process improvement at the national level.



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Omar Latif	Purchaser and Plan; Clinician; Other Interested Parties	MD	Vice President/Chief Medical Officer, Medicare	Elevance Health	Irvine, California	Dr. Omar Latif has been with Elevance Health since 2009. As the Chief Medical Officer for the Medicare business, he has responsibility for clinical operations including Utilization Management and Case Management. Prior to Elevance Health, Dr. Latif was at the management consulting firm of McKinsey and Company. There, he had diverse experience in the payer-provider and pharmaceutical sectors. His previous work ranged from developing and implementing overhaul of a large integrated delivery network to relaunching a pharma client's core therapeutic product. He has clinical practice experience in a variety of settings, including a managed care environment and a large academic medical center. His education includes an undergraduate degree from Harvard, a medical degree from Stanford, internal medicine training at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, and post-doctoral gastroenterology training at UCLA.
Paul Galchutt	Patient Partner	MDiv, MPH, BCC	Research Chaplain	M Health Fairview University of Minnesota Medical Center	Minneapolis, Minnesota	Mr. Paul Galchutt has been a health care chaplain in various roles for 20 years, including his current role as a research chaplain. Because of his 10 years working as an inpatient palliative care chaplain, he remains passionate about this health care specialty with his enrollment as a PhD student within the University of Maryland, Baltimore's Palliative Care Program. He is also Transforming Chaplaincy's instructor for Research Literacy 101 and serves as the convener for the Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network. Additionally, Paul is an associate editor with the Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy.
Paul Tatum	Clinician; Patient Partner; Facility/Institutional; Rural Health Expert; Health Services Researcher	MD, MSPH, FAAHPM, AGSF	Physician	Washington University in St. Louis; Veterans Affairs St. Louis Health Care System	St. Louis, Missouri	Dr. Paul Tatum is a family physician, geriatrician, and hospice and palliative care physician. Dr. Tatum has experience as a primary care clinician, a nursing home physician, a hospice medical director and as a hospital palliative care consultant. Dr. Tatum's interests include ensuring access to high quality palliative care including in rural areas, improving quality of care in hospice, and ensuring that older adults receive care, which matches what matters most to them.



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Raina Josberger	Purchaser and Plan; Health Services Researcher; Other Interested Parties	MS	Director	Center for Applied Research and Evaluation, New York State Department of Health	Albany, New York	Ms. Raina Josberger has been with the New York State Department of Health for over 25 years. She oversees a team of research scientists, biostatisticians, and data scientists to maximize data use and measures to improve health insurers, systems, facilities, and providers. Ms. Raina strives to achieve quality and efficiency objectives with a targeted focus on health care policy, data analytics, research, reports, and publications.		
Rebecca Swain-Eng	Other Interested Parties	MS, CAE	CEO & Founder	SEA Healthcare & The Quality Collaborative	Frederick, Maryland	Ms. Rebecca Swain-Eng has over two decades of experience in digital quality measures, clinical data registries, and health services research and serves as the CEO/Founder of SEA Healthcare. She has a history of collaboration with key regulatory bodies, especially in the domains of advanced illness and postacute care. Her collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health on both Palliative Care and Assisted Living projects, along with her involvement in the AAHPM Palliative Care Measures, underscores her dedication to enhancing health care quality, reducing costs, and elevating overall value. Ms. Swain-Eng's deep insights into the U.S. health care system and her dedication to value-based transformations make her an invaluable asset to PQM's Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care committee.		
Sarah Thirlwell	Facility/Institutional; Patient Partner; Clinician	MSc, MSc(A), RN, AOCNS, CHPN, CHPCA, CPHQ	Nursing Standards Director	Chapters Health System	Tampa, Florida	Ms. Sarah Thirlwell has dedicated her career to improving the care of those impacted by serious and advanced illness. She is a registered nurse and health care quality professional with Master of Science degrees in Biochemistry and in Nursing. She has certification in hospice and palliative nursing and administration and in advanced oncology. She has practiced in acute and postacute settings, both in private and public sectors, with a focus on palliative and end-of-life care as a nurse, educator, researcher, quality and regulatory specialist, and operational leader. Ms. Thirlwell has engaged in program development and research to establish and apply evidence-based standards of quality care to meet the needs of patients, families, and communities. Her work has been recognized nationally for innovation and quality that enhances outcomes across the spectrum of advanced illness care for patients, caregivers, interdisciplinary team members, and systems.		



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Sassy Outwater- Wright	Patient Partner		Executive Director	Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually impaired (MABVI)	Salem, Massachusetts	Ms. Sassy Outwater-Wright is the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually impaired (MABVI). She lost her sight at age 3 due to retinoblastoma and has had several rounds of cancer since then. She is a passionate digital accessibility advocate, specializing in technology for people with multiple disabilities, and studying how intersectionality, artificial intelligence, and intersecting marginalizing factors affect people.
Sheila Clark	Health Equity Expert; Patient Partner; Other Interested Parties		President and CEO	California Hospice and Palliative Care Association (CHAPCA)	Elk Grove, California	Ms. Sheila Clark was appointed by California Hospice and Palliative Care Association (CHAPCA) board after a national search as the third President and CEO in June 2020. CHAPCA is a 501c3 and was founded in 1983. Prior to CHAPCA, Ms. Clark received over 28 years of senior leadership service in the hospice and palliative care community, serving patients, families, and those that serve at the bedside.
Shelby Moore	Facility/Institutional	MPA, CFRE	Executive Director	Heartlinks	Grandview, Washington	Ms. Shelby Moore, a seasoned nonprofit professional with a Master of Public Health degree in nonprofit management, demonstrates a profound commitment to community service. Serving as an Executive Board Member for Women Helping Women Fund Tri-Cities and a Prosser Memorial Health Foundation board member, she actively empowers and enhances health care access. Ms. Moore's expertise spans Prosser Rotary and the Columbia Basin Nonprofit Association, benefiting local and global communities. Her Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) credential underscores her fundraising prowess, ensuring organizational sustainability. As the Executive Director of Heartlinks, she offers comfort and support to those facing advanced illness and post-acute care needs, aligning perfectly with PQM's mission. With her leadership and expertise, she champions quality performance measures for individuals and families in need.



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Soojin Jun	Patient Partner; Clinician	PharmD, BCGP, CPPS, CPHQ	Cofounder	Patients for Patient Safety US	Libertyville, Illinois	Dr. Soojin Jun is a cofounder of Patients for Patient Safety US, a patient safety activist group under the umbrella of World Health Organization (WHO). She is also a board-certified geriatric pharmacist, and an advocate for health equity, medication safety, trauma informed care, safety in digital health, among many others. She emphasizes empathy and compassion in health care and co-creating and co-producing care for patients and healing health care to provide the care patients deserve. She has experience in both inpatient and outpatient pharmacy practice, population health in value-based care, and interactive design (before pharmacy).		
Stephanie Wladkowski	Health Services Researcher	PhD, LMSW, APHSW-C	Larry & Patty Benz Professor and Associate Professor of Social Work	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, Ohio	Dr. Stephanie Wladkowski is the Larry & Patty Benz Professor and an Associate Professor of Social Work at Bowling Green State University. Dr. Wladkowski has several years of clinical practice experience as an independent licensed social worker in hospice and palliative care, which directly informs her research and teaching in health, aging, interprofessional education, and end-of-life care. Dr. Wladkowski's main research interest is focused on live discharge from hospice, or when individuals stop receiving hospice care due to no longer meeting the eligibility requirements. She continues to advance knowledge in this underresearched area through exploring the impact of live discharge on individuals with life-limiting illnesses and their caregivers, with careful attention to policy implications and practice opportunities.		
Stephen Weed	Patient Partner	MA		Ventura Unified School District	Oak View, California	Mr. Stephen Weed is an advocate for kidney disease and organ transplantation. His own illnesses and those of immediate family have introduced Mr. Weed to many providers, insurance models, and levels of care from preventative care to hospice. He has learned about cancer, heart disease, mental illness, strokes, kidney liver thyroid and endocrine conditions among others. He focuses on the practical side of care for chronic illnesses and emphasizes long term strategies.		



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Yaakov Liss	Clinician; Facility/Institutional	MD	Nephrologist	Optum Tristate	Brewster, New York	Dr. Yaakov Liss been working as a full-time clinical nephrologist for Optum Tristate in NY state and as medical director for the DaVita Celia Dill Dialysis Center in Carmel, NY. In addition, Dr. Liss is the current chair of the Renal Physician Association (RPA)'s Quality, Safety, and Accountability committee, a recent member of the RPA's strategic planning task force, the RPA lead for the Kidney Care Quality Alliance, and a workgroup member of the Advancing Kidney Health through the Optimization of Medication Management (AKHOMM) Initiative. Dr. Liss also received post-graduate training through a nephrology fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania in 2016.