

# Newsletter

January 2025 Issue

## Issue Highlights

Thank You, PQM Members

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Core Quality Measures Collaborative  
(CQMC) Medical Oncology & Obstetrics  
and Gynecology Workgroup Meeting  
Summaries Available

## Submit Member Accomplishments

Do you have any news or  
accomplishments that you would like to  
share with us?

If so, we would love to feature you in our  
monthly newsletter.

Please email [PQMsupport@battelle.org](mailto:PQMsupport@battelle.org)  
with "PQM Member Highlight" in the



## Thank You, PQM Members

Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable  
and safe holiday season.

Thank you to all PQM members for advancing health  
care quality in 2024 through our **Endorsement and  
Maintenance (E&M)**, **Pre-Measure Set Review  
(PRMR)**, and **Measure Set Review (MSR)**  
processes.

We extend special gratitude to our PQM committee  
members, who dedicated hundreds of hours to  
reviewing measure details and public comments and  
then making recommendations for measure  
endorsement or placement in Centers for Medicare &  
Medicaid (CMS) programs. We look forward to  
collaborating with all of you in the year ahead

**Best Regards,**

**Nicole Brennan, MPH, DrPH**  
Executive Director, PQM

subject line so we can celebrate your accomplishments.

Please Check Out the Brief Summaries Below:

### E&M Listening Session

**When:** Held November 21, 2024

**About:** For measures submitted to the Fall 2024 cycle for endorsement consideration

**Details:** We had **92** attendees and reviewed **29** measures

### E&M Public Comment Period

**When:** Held November 15-December 16, 2024

**About:** One listening session to obtain spoken public comments for measures submitted to the Fall 2024 cycle for endorsement consideration

**Details:** We received **106** public comments, which are published on the [PQM Public Comments Page](#). Please select "Measures," choose a measure, and then navigate to the "Comments" tab to view the public comments for that specific measure.

### PRMR Listening Sessions

**When:** Held December 17-19, 2024

**About:** Three setting-specific listening sessions to obtain spoken public comments for measures on the [2024 Measures Under Consideration \(MUC\) List](#) and pose questions to CMS and MUC List measure developers and stewards.

**Details:** We had **279** attendees, reviewed **41** measures across all three listening sessions.

### PRMR Public Comment Period

**When:** Held November 15-December 30, 2024

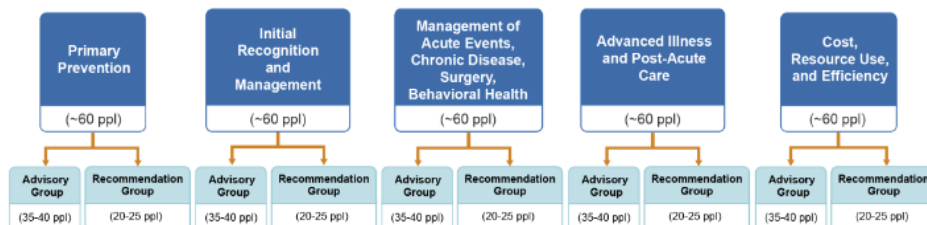
**About:** For measures on the [2024 Measures Under Consideration \(MUC\) List](#)

**Details:** We received **239** public comments, which are available on the [PQM website](#).

Thank you to all individuals and organizations who submitted comments and feedback. We appreciate your continued support!

## E&M Updates

### E&M Recommendation Group Member Corner



Virtual E&M Recommendation Group meetings are **February 7-13**.

Virtual E&M Recommendation Group Meetings

These meetings are open to the public and no registration is required.

Calendar invites have been sent to all E&M committee members.

If you are a Recommendation Group committee member, and you did not receive your respective Recommendation Group meeting invite, please contact us at [PQMsupport@battelle.org](mailto:PQMsupport@battelle.org).

Advisory Group members are welcome to attend these meetings to listen to discussions.

- [Management of Acute Events and Chronic Conditions:](#)

February 7, 10 AM-5:30 PM (ET)

- [Cost and Efficiency:](#)

February 10, 10 AM-2:20 PM (ET)

- [Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care:](#)

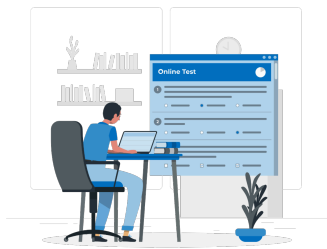
February 11, 10 AM-4:40 PM (ET)

- [Initial Recognition and Management:](#)

February 12, 10 AM-4:15 PM (ET)

- [Primary Prevention:](#)

February 13, 10 AM-12 PM (ET)



## E&M Recommendation Group Committee Independent Reviews

**When:** Now-January 22, 2025.

**About:** Recommendation Group members review and rate each Fall 2024 measure under review by their respective committee, using the [PQM Measure Evaluation Rubric](#).

**Details:** If you have not already done so, please create a [PQM account](#).

Instructions on how to complete independent reviews have been sent to your email. If you have questions, please contact [PQMsupport@battelle.org](mailto:PQMsupport@battelle.org).

## E&M January Educational Webinar

**When:** January 23, 2025, 12 PM-1:30 PM (ET)

**About:** Join our webinar to learn how patients and the community can engage in developing and endorsing quality measures, and discover which aspects are most meaningful to patients and why.

**Details:** More information can be found on here: [Event Page Link](#)

Please register here: [Registration Link](#)

## E&M Advisory Group Meeting Summary

**When:** Held December 2-9, 2024

**About:** E&M Advisory Group members met to raise questions and share perspectives regarding the Fall 2024 measures under endorsement consideration for their respective E&M committee.

**Details:** Across the five Advisory Group meetings, attendance ranged from **60-80** individuals, including **20-30** Advisory Group members per meeting. Measure developers were present to directly address questions and respond to feedback shared.

Meeting summaries will be available by **January 31** on the [PQM website](#).

View the [PQM event calendar](#) for more information.  
Please contact [PQMsupport@battelle.org](mailto:PQMsupport@battelle.org) if you have any questions.

## PRMR/MSR Updates

### PRMR Committee Member Corner

PRMR committee members, please note several upcoming dates and milestones for the 2024-2025 PRMR cycle.

Please visit the [PRMR](#) news and events page for additional details.



### PRMR Pre-Meeting Initial Evaluation (PIE) Forms:

Distributed December 2; Due December 23

Thank you PRMR committee members who provided written feedback via PIE Forms on MUC List measures.

### PRMR Advisory Group Meetings:

#### [PRMR Clinician Advisory Group Meeting:](#)

Held January 7,  
1 PM-3 PM (ET)

#### [PRMR Hospital Advisory Group Meeting:](#)

Held January 8,  
1 PM-3 PM (ET)

#### [PRMR PAC/LTC Advisory Group Meeting:](#)

Held January 9,  
1 PM-2 PM (ET)

**Please note:** The purpose of these meetings is for PRMR Advisory Group members to discuss their MUC feedback with their PRMR committee's Recommendation Group co-chairs. The meetings are open to the public.

### PRMR Recommendation Group Meetings:

#### [PRMR PAC/LTC Recommendation Group Meeting:](#)

January 13,  
1 PM-3:45 PM (ET)

#### [\\*PRMR Hospital Recommendation Group Meeting:](#)

January 15, 10 AM-4:45 PM (ET)  
January 16, 10 AM-1:15 PM (ET)

#### [PRMR Clinician Recommendation Group Meeting:](#)

January 21, 10:00 AM-4:30 PM (ET)  
January 22, 10 AM-3:15 PM (ET)

**Please note:** The purpose of these meetings is for PRMR Recommendation Group members to discuss issues/concerns raised during the Advisory group discussion and public comment period. The meetings are open to the public.

\*The **PRMR Hospital Recommendation Group Members** are encouraged to join us in-person in Baltimore for this year's meeting. All Hospital Recommendation Group Members should have received communications about registration and reservations.

Please view the [agenda](#) for more information.

If you are on the committee and did not receive an email about this meeting, please contact us [PQMsupport@battelle.org](mailto:PQMsupport@battelle.org).

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## CQMC Updates

### About CQMC

The CQMC is a broad-based coalition of health care leaders working to facilitate cross-payer measure alignment through the development of core sets of measures to assess the quality of health care in the United States.

The CQMC core measure sets (core sets) are intended for use in value-based payment programs and may also be used to drive improvement in high-priority areas.

The core sets can be used in their entirety to holistically assess quality or can serve as a starting point when selecting measures to meet specific goals.

CQMC core sets are developed and maintained using a multistakeholder, consensus-based process and established [measure selection principles](#).

Want to learn more? Please view the [CQMC](#) page.

Find the current CQMC core sets, past workgroup summaries, reports, and guiding principles and documents on the [CQMC Core Sets Page](#).



### CQMC Medical Oncology Workgroup Meeting Summary

We held our **Medical Oncology Workgroup Meeting** on **November 12, 2024**.

The group discussed the continued use of measures on the [Medical Oncology core set](#).

For more information, please view the [Meeting Summary](#).

### CQMC Obstetrics and Gynecology Workgroup Meeting Summary

We held our **Medical Oncology Workgroup Meeting** on **November 13, 2024**.

The group discussed the continued use of measures on the [Obstetrics and Gynecology core set](#).

For more information, please view the [Meeting Summary](#).

### Core Set Review Schedule

The CQMC reviews core measure sets annually to ensure they reflect the best available measures. The workgroups alternate every other year between full and light maintenance review.

View the [Core Set Review Schedule](#).

**Full Maintenance:** The CQMC reviews potential new measures to address high-priority areas.

**Light Maintenance:** Workgroups review measures in the existing sets and remove measures, if necessary.

For more information, please contact [CQMC@Battelle.org](mailto:CQMC@Battelle.org).

## About PQM

### Who We Are

Battelle is a [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services \(CMS\)](#) certified consensus-based entity. Battelle's PQM uses a consensus-based process involving a variety of experts to ensure informed and thoughtful endorsement reviews of qualified measures.

### Our Purpose

Staffed by experts in health care quality improvement, and directed by interested parties across the field of health care, PQM has a vision that the quality measure endorsement process should be reliable, transparent, attainable, equitable, and most of all, meaningful.

For more information, please visit the [PQM website](#).

### Grow Your Network

Follow PQM on LinkedIn to stay up to date with events, public comment opportunities, and important deadlines.



### Become a PQM Member

Ready to use your health care experience or expertise to shape the future of health care quality?

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