

National Consensus Development and Strategic Planning for Health Care Quality Measurement

Endorsement and Maintenance (E&M) Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care Roster

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Introduction

Battelle conducts the Endorsement and Maintenance (E&M) process biannually in the fall and spring to review and make endorsement decisions on submitted measures.

We organize measures undergoing endorsement review into five projects: Primary Prevention; Initial Recognition and Management; Management of Acute Events, Chronic Disease, Surgery, and Behavioral Health; Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care; and Cost and Efficiency.

Project committees have an Advisory Group (35-40 people) and a Recommendation Group (20-25 people). The Advisory Group provides feedback and questions about the measures under review, and then the Recommendation Group renders final endorsement decisions.

Committee members serve a 3-year term and spend time on both the Advisory Group and Recommendation Group throughout their tenure.

The Advisory and Recommendation Group assignments in this roster apply to the Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 cycles.

Please note, only individual members—and not organizational members—serve on E&M projects. Individual members represent their own perspective and experience.

Nominees provide their biographies. Battelle uses artificial intelligence (AI) to edit them, and staff review the final versions. Battelle edits biographies only for typographical and grammatical accuracy and to ensure they remain under the 250-character limit.

Learn more about membership types and roster categories in the [E&M Guidebook](#).

Fall 2026-Spring 2027 E&M Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care Advisory Group Members

- [Scientific Methods Panel](#) (SMP) Member

[James Austin](#)
[Barbara Bates](#)
[Lorraine Breuer](#)
[Darrin Butler](#)
[Melissa Butler](#)
[Sarah Chuzi](#)
[Elizabeth Coleman](#)
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Fall 2026-Spring 2027 E&M Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care
Recommendation Group Members

* Committee Co-Chair

Samira Beckwith
Joshua Calliste
Karen Campos
David Clayman
Kathleen Dwyer
Sara Galantowicz
Paul Galchutt

Kimberly Geoffrey
Morris Hamilton
Dorothy Hiersteiner
Andrea Jersey
Warren Jones
Elizabeth Marfeo
Kay Miller Temple

Lori Piltz
Tipu Puri
Heather Raygoza
Lauri Redus
Andrea Schweiger
Ronald Walters

Fall 2026-Spring 2027 E&M Advanced Illness and Post-Acute Care Roster

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- [SMP](#) Member

Name (Last, First)	Roster Category	Advisory or Recommendation Group	Term Period	Location (City, State)	Biography
Austin, James	Patient or Caregiver	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Baltimore, MD	James Austin has over 5 years of experience promoting patient rights and safety. He applies a patient-centered perspective to reviewing clinical quality and cost measures to improve care standards and outcomes. James Austin is a patient partner.
Bates, Barbara	Other Interested Party	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Bergen, NY	Barbara Bates has over 50 years of experience in geriatric long-term care psychiatry and nursing. She served as director of nursing service at the New York State Veterans Home until 2008 and now works with long-term care facilities on education and addressing citations.
Beckwith, Samira	Facility/Institution	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	N/A	Samira Beckwith is executive vice president for public policy at Chapters Health System and former president and chief executive officer of Hope Healthcare. She is a recognized leader in palliative care and has served on national and state health committees and advisory boards.
Breuer, Lorraine	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	New Hyde Park, MN	Lorraine Breuer is a senior health care executive with over 25 years of experience in post-acute, home-based, hospice, and value-based care. She specializes in Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) quality, compliance, care transitions, dementia programs, and measure review.
Butler, Darrin	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Eagle, ID	Darrin Butler is a director of quality at Pennant Services who supports agencies nationwide in quality performance, compliance, and improvement, partnering with clinical and operational leaders to translate quality metrics into systems that improve patient outcomes.
Butler, Melissa	Patient or Caregiver	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Bluefield, WV	Melissa Butler has more than 30 years of nursing practice along with personal experience caring for family with significant chronic illnesses and disabilities to provide a basis for input on health care quality measures. Melissa Butler is a patient partner.

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Calliste, Joshua	Purchaser/Plan	Recommendation	10/2025-9/2028	Brooklyn, NY	Joshua Calliste is senior manager of medical operations with over 10 years of experience in managed care operations. He leads organizational initiatives, streamlines clinical projects, and collaborates to improve health plan operations and patient outcomes.
Campos, Karen	Other Interested Party	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Richmond, VA	Karen Campos is a health education specialist with over 8 years of experience in health care quality and performance measurement. She manages the Performance Measurement Committee at the American College of Physicians and supports quality measure development and clinical data registries.
Chuzi, Sarah	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Chicago, IL	Sarah Chuzi is an assistant professor of medicine and advanced heart failure cardiologist. Her research focuses on patient-centered and palliative care for heart failure, and she leads studies to improve care integration.
Clayman, David	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2025-9/2028	Winston Salem, NC	David Clayman is a clinician, electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM) implementer, and measure developer with experience in outpatient, inpatient, and long-term care. He oversees eCQM development, quality assurance, and evaluation for CMS programs, bringing clinical, technical, and programmatic expertise to quality measurement.
Coleman, Elizabeth	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Rosedale, MS	Elizabeth Coleman previously served in the Texas House of Representatives and on the Texas Railroad Commission. She later worked in energy advocacy and historic restoration and brings policy expertise addressing rural health care challenges.
Cruz-Flores, Salvador	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	El Paso, TX	Salvador Cruz-Flores is a tenured professor and founding chair of neurology at the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine at Texas Tech University in El Paso. He has over 27 years of experience in neurology, vascular neurology, and neurocritical care.
D’Arena, Patricia	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Dallas, TX	Patricia D’Arena is vice president of clinical excellence at Enhabit Home Health and Hospice, focusing on home-based care quality, age-friendly care models, and clinical program excellence across a 34-state organization.
de Tantillo, Lila	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Hattiesburg, MS	Lila de Tantillo is associate professor and doctoral nursing program coordinator at The University of Southern Mississippi. She serves on the American Heart Association Primary Care Science Committee and as associate editor of Sage Open Nursing.

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Di Palo, Katherine	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Bronx, NY	Katherine Di Palo is a pharmacist administrator and health services researcher with over a decade of experience in quality improvement and value-based care. She is senior director of transitional care excellence at Montefiore Medical Center, focusing on clinical program development and reducing avoidable care utilization.
Dias, Jeremy	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Fairhaven, MA	Jeremy Dias is a senior health care executive and care redesign architect with over 12 years of experience in population health and value-based care organizations. A nurse and former vice president, he works to optimize care delivery systems and strategic outcomes.
Dillon, Ellis	Other Interested Party	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Farmington, CT	Ellis Dillon is a sociologist and health services researcher who uses mixed methods to study quality of care for people needing long-term services and supports and those with serious illness, including evaluation of Connecticut programs for older adults and people with disabilities.
Dwyer, Kathleen	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Raleigh, NC	Kathleen Dwyer is the chief clinical and compliance officer at Legacy Healthcare Services (rehabilitation and wellness services in skilled nursing facilities). She has experience with acute and post-acute rehabilitation.
Flake, Crissy	Other Interested Party	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Spokane, WA	Crissy Flake is a health care quality and compliance leader with over 15 years of experience in Programs of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly and complex care models, leading national efforts in quality improvement, regulatory compliance, and patient safety.
Galantowicz, Sara	Other Interested Party	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Cambridge, MA	Sara Galantowicz specializes in health policy and disability research, with expertise in Medicaid, long-term care services, hospice, and survey design and testing.
Galchutt, Paul	Patient Advocate	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	N/A	Paul Galchutt is assistant director of engagement at Transforming Chaplaincy at Rush University. He focuses on advancing spiritual care through research and has expertise in palliative care chaplaincy, whole-person care, and quality measurement. Paul Galchutt is a patient advocate.
Geoffrey, Kimberly	Patient Advocate	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Brooklyn, NY	Kimberly Geoffrey has experience in contact tracing, data analysis, research, and grants management. She focuses on advancing health equity through evidence-based public health approaches. Kimberly Geoffrey is a patient advocate.

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Gettel, Cameron	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Woodbridge, CT	Cameron Gettel is an assistant professor of emergency medicine and clinical investigator at the Yale Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation. He focuses on care transitions, quality measurement, and patient- and caregiver-reported outcomes for older adults with serious illness.
Godfrey, Sarah	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Dallas, TX	Sarah Godfrey is a palliative cardiologist with clinical and research expertise in advanced cardiovascular disease and palliative care. She has held leadership roles, teaches palliative care skills, and joined the Mayo Clinic in 2025.
Green, Laura	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Cass City, MI	Laura Green is a population health coordinator with 7 years of experience in population health, patient-centered medical homes, Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures, and rural health care. She works to improve health outcomes in rural Michigan.
Hamby, Sue Ann	Other Interested Party	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Flat Rock, NC	Sue Ann Hamby is chief quality officer in a post-acute care health system. She has over 28 years of experience in health care, including 20 years in health care quality, using data, audits, and quality trends to improve hospice and serious illness outcomes.
Hamilton, Morris	Other Interested Party	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Raleigh, NC	Morris Hamilton is an economist specializing in health policy and applied econometric methods. He is a senior manager at KPMG LLP with extensive experience managing CMS and CMS Innovation projects focused on home health and hospice quality measures.
Hamlin, Ben •	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Washington, DC	Ben Hamlin is a health care informatics leader with over 25 years of experience in digital quality measurement, quality improvement, interoperability standards, value-based care, and data quality.
Hausauer, Jessica	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Minneapolis, MN	Jessica Hausauer is chief executive officer of the National Coalition for Hospice and Palliative Care with over 10 years of experience in health policy, quality improvement, education, and coalition leadership. She studied sociology at Syracuse University.
Hiersteiner, Dorothy	Other Interested Party	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	N/A	Dorothy Hiersteiner is a research associate and co-director of National Core Indicators. She leads data collection, workforce surveys, and outcome measurement efforts to improve services for people with disabilities across 48 states and Washington, DC.

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Hus, Nir	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Boca Raton, FL	Nir Hus is a trauma surgeon and associate professor at Florida Atlantic University and serves as vice president of surgery at West Boca Medical Center and vice president of a long-term acute care hospital, managing a multispecialty practice across hospital and outpatient settings.
Jaramillo, Maria Catalina	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Miami, FL	Maria Catalina Jaramillo is a graduate candidate in psychology with over 10 years of experience in behavioral health, trauma-informed care, and community-based services. She consults for the National Institutes of Health Community Engagement Alliance and advocates for equitable, person-centered mental health care.
Jersey, Andrea	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Louisville, GA	Andrea Jersey is senior director of clinical reimbursement at Ethica Health with 40 years of nursing experience in long-term care. She leads denials management, clinical assessment, and quality programs focused on reimbursement and quality improvement.
Johnson, Victoria	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Greer, SC	Victoria Johnson is the health careers program coordinator at Upstate Area Health Education Center. She has over 15 years of experience in health care coordination, community engagement, and program evaluation and has held leadership roles at Nurse-Family Partnership and Bon Secours Mercy Health.
Jones, Warren	Population Health Expert	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Ridgeland, MS	Warren Jones is president of the Diabetes Foundation of Mississippi and founder of the Mississippi Institute on Minority Health Disparities. He has over 40 years of experience in health care and policy and previously led Mississippi's Medicaid program.
Kohn, Dan-a	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Green Bay, WI	Dan-a Kohn is a chief executive officer with over 16 years of experience in regulatory compliance, care delivery, and workforce development in post-acute and long-term care. She advocates for care access initiatives and develops sustainable care models to address the aging services workforce crisis.
Kruschke, Cheryl	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Sheboygan, MN	Cheryl Kruschke has over 20 years of experience as a geriatric nurse and educator in business and nursing, teaching statistics and mentoring doctoral students completing Doctor of Nursing Practice projects while conducting research related to geriatric populations.

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Lee, Andy	Patient Advocate	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Las Vegas, NV	Andy Lee is executive vice president of the American Association for Elder Care (AAEC) nonprofit. He develops age-friendly certification (AFC) standards for World Health Organization (WHO) age-friendly cities and supports AAEC advocacy for affordable elder care products and efficient Medicare durable medical equipment (DME) supply chains to reduce costs for seniors. Andy Lee is a patient advocate.
Marfeo, Elizabeth	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Medford, MA	Elizabeth Marfeo is an associate professor in the Department of Community Health at Tufts University and director of the Health and Productive Aging Lab. She has 20 years of experience in patient-reported outcome measure development and productive aging research.
Martin, Emily	Other Interested Party	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Los Angeles, CA	Emily Martin is director of palliative care at University of California Los Angeles Health and works as a palliative medicine physician, informaticist, and health services researcher focused on improving quality of care for people with serious illness.
Merryweather-Arges, Pat	Patient or Caregiver	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Naperville, IL	Pat Merryweather-Arges works in quality of care and patient safety as a performance improvement specialist and patient advocate, with experience across state and national healthcare settings and service as executive director at Project Patient Care. Pat Merryweather-Arges is a patient partner.
Miller Temple, Kay	Population Health Expert	Recommendation	10/2025-9/2028	Grand Forks, ND	Kay Miller Temple is a primary care physician who, after 30 years in clinical practice, transitioned to writing about rural health care. She writes for the Rural Health Information Hub and serves as a writing advisor to the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences.
Nieser, Kenneth •	Researcher	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Mountain View, CA	Kenneth Nieser is a health services researcher specializing in data analysis, statistics, and epidemiology, studying health care provider profiling and how health care quality varies across providers and sociodemographic groups.
Pease, Amy	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Cherry Creek, NY	Amy Pease is owner of AG Pease, RN Consulting. She has 28 years of nursing experience in primary care and outpatient safety net settings and has held leadership and consulting roles supporting care quality.
Piltz, Lori	Patient or Caregiver	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	N/A	Lori Piltz is a patient partner.

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Puri, Tipu	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Chicago, IL	Tipu Puri is an associate professor and nephrologist at University of Chicago Medicine, specializing in chronic kidney disease management and education. He serves as associate chief medical officer, promoting clinical quality, patient safety, and high-reliability health care.
Raygoza, Heather	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Lexington, KY	Heather Raygoza manages an inpatient and outpatient wound care service line. She has 16 years of nursing experience with a background in critical care and focuses on wound, ostomy, and foot care and interdisciplinary quality initiatives.
Redus, Lauri	Facility/Institution	Recommendation	10/2025-9/2028	Hilo, HI	Lauri Redus is regional administrator for imaging, cardiology, and regulatory affairs at Hilo Benioff Medical Center. She has 33 years of clinical, operational, and administrative experience across diverse care settings, including rural settings.
Rowan, Patricia	Researcher	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Wellington, FL	Patricia Rowan is a principal researcher at Mathematica with over 13 years of experience in long-term and post-acute care quality measurement. She has worked with federal and state agencies, and specializes in facility-based as well as home- and community-based care.
Sabwa, Sarah	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Washington, DC	Sarah Sabwa is a nurse professional development specialist with over 15 years of experience in nursing education, quality improvement, and staff competency development within the Veterans Health Administration.
Salgado, Jackie	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Hawthorn Woods, IL	Jackie Salgado is vice president of operations overseeing 13 skilled nursing facilities that provide complex medical care, rehabilitation, memory care, and behavioral health services. She has over 10 years of experience in skilled nursing and post-acute care, leading operations, quality improvement, regulatory compliance, and administrator training programs.
Sandin, Karl	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Santa Barbara, CA	Karl Sandin is a physiatrist and public health practitioner with 30 years of experience in medical rehabilitation across acute, ambulatory, and post-acute care, holding leadership roles in hospitals, academic settings, and physician practices, focusing on quality and functional measurement.
Schweiger, Andrea	Other Interested Party	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	Mt. Clemens, MI	Andrea Schweiger is director of quality and compliance at Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility with over 20 years of nursing experience in long-term care. She holds multiple leadership roles, has received a state award for quality improvement, and specializes in regulatory compliance.

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Siebert, Carol	Population Health Expert	Advisory	10/2026-9/2029	Chapel Hill, NC	Carol Siebert is an occupational therapist with over 35 years of experience delivering home-based services for older adults and supporting high-need, low-socioeconomic status populations, and has also served on national committees on health care quality and practice improvement.
Spoto, Marcia	Facility/Institution	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Pittsford, NY	Marcia Spoto is professor emerita of physical therapy at Nazareth College, founder of STAR Physical Therapy, and has over 35 years of clinical experience in spine care. She has held leadership roles in professional organizations and serves as a consultant in spine care.
Stolpe, Samuel	Researcher	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Fairfax, VA	Samuel Stolpe is head of health care quality strategy at Johnson & Johnson, with over 15 years of experience in health care quality, research, and policy. He has led national quality initiatives, managed federal measure partnerships, and advanced value-based solutions.
Stuercke, Michelle	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Arlington Heights, IL	Michelle Stuercke has 39 years of clinical experience in post-acute care, serving as director of nursing, administrator, consultant, and chief clinical officer, and leads and educates on long-term care quality, advocacy, and care for severe mental illness.
Thirlwell, Sarah	Clinician	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Tampa, FL	Sarah Thirlwell is the geriatrics and extended care services quality improvement specialist registered nurse at James A. Haley Veterans Affairs Hospital with over 20 years of experience. She has led quality initiatives, served on national committees, and received multiple awards.
Tufte, Janice	Patient or Caregiver	Advisory	10/2025-9/2028	Seattle, WA	Janice Tufte uses her lived experience with multiple chronic conditions to inform measurement and quality improvement. She is a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) ambassador and advisor with a focus on the impact of measures for patients and providers. Janice Tufte is a patient partner.
Walters, Ronald	Clinician	Recommendation	10/2024-9/2027	N/A	Ronald Walters is a medical oncologist at MD Anderson Cancer Center with over 40 years of experience. He has chaired quality reporting initiatives, served on numerous National Quality Forum panels, co-authored The Care We Need, and brings expertise in business, health care, and informatics.

