

# CMS Measure Development Priorities



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# General Principles

- Alignment with CMS Quality Strategy
- Alignment with Commercial payers and states
- Address performance gaps
- Evidence-based measure concepts
- Scientific rigor
- Patient/caregiver and front line clinician inclusion
- Rapid-cycle development
- Prioritize Patient-reported outcomes
- Monitor disparities and unintended consequences

# Priorities for Measure Development by Quality Domain

- Clinical Care
  - Measures incorporating shared decision-making
  - Outcome and Patient-reported Outcome Measures
  - Cross-cutting measures (patients with MCCs)
  - Focused measures for specialties that have clear gaps
- Safety
  - Measures of diagnostic accuracy
  - Medication safety

# Priorities for Measure Development by Quality Domain (continued)

- Care Coordination
  - Assessing team-based care
  - Effective use of new technologies
- Patient and Caregiver Experience
  - Disease specific and cross-cutting PROMs
  - Patient experience surveys (general and specialty-specific where needed)

# Priorities for Measure Development by Quality Domain (continued)

- Population Health and Prevention
  - Developing or adapting outcome measures at a population level to assess the effectiveness of the health promotion and preventive services delivered by professionals
- Affordable Care
  - Overuse measures
  - Episode based resource use

# Challenges

- Defining the right outcome/performance gap
- Engaging patients in measure development process
- Advancing the science for critical measure types: PROMs, resource use, appropriate use, etc.
- Robust feasibility, reliability and validity testing
- Developing measures that reflect and assess shared accountability across settings and providers
- Reduction of provider burden and cost to reporting measures
- Length of time it takes to develop measures