

NEMSQA Measurement Development Committee Conference Call

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Time: 3:00 PM CST

AGENDA

1. Describe revised objectives for the committee, see below - 15 min
2. Introduce Kelly Burlison, MPH, CHES – 10 min
3. Develop draft workplan/timeline to achieve objectives - 15 min
4. Outline presentation for NEMSQA Board - 15 min
5. Other new items

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In Attendance:

Measurement Development Committee Representatives: Dr. Kathleen Brown, MD, FACEP, Co-Chair; (AAP); Jonathon Washko, Co-Chair (NAEMT); Dr. Michael Redlener MD, FAEMS, Board Representative; Paul Brennan (IAEMSC); Megan Hollern, MA, RN, NRP (NREMT); Dr. Peter Fischer (ACSCT); Melanie Shahriary (AHA)

NHTSA STAFF: Jon Kromer, MD, FACEP; Dave Bryson, EMT (NHTSA Office of EMS); Sean Andrews (HHS PHE ECCC)

ACEP STAFF/Rep: Pat Elmes, EMT-P; Deanna Harper, EMT-I; Rick Murray, EMT-P; Kelly Burlison, Mari Houlihan, Dr. Jeffery Jarvis, MD, MS, EMT-P, FACEP, FAEMS.

Revised NEMSQA Measurement Development Committee Objectives

1. Develop an algorithm for adoption/ development of measures,

Algorithm will define steps/path for:

- a. existing compass measures
- b. New measure topics from EBG Consortium

- c. Adoption of measures from other sources
2. Review each compass measure using the algorithm and revise, update, as indicated
3. Test algorithm for select "new" measures:
 - a. Derived from "vetted " EBGs - From Prehospital EBG Consortium
 - b. Adopted from outside sources - such as AHA, others?

Major points discussed:

Role was taken, and Ms. Burlison was welcomed to the team.

**Dr. Redlener spoke about the document is a great first step, but the top headers need to match the algorithms put together.

**Ms. Burlison will be sure the headings do match and will start at the beginning of the measure lifecycle for compass measures, since much of the pre-work has already been completed.
The existing compass measures can be used to save time since all the pre-work has been completed.

**New measure topics from EBG Consortium can be used to outline the processing for developing EBG and use the approved list and allow for these organizations that worked on both PGC and NEMSQA to explore ways to work together and close the gaps.

**Adoption of measures from other sources needs to be entertained and examine, sources besides NEMSIS, such as 911 data. This will need to be created with a detailed list that will be gathered and shared with this group at a later time.

**There is a need to thoroughly vet the Compass measures using a process and come up with new measures either new or existing. We will track how the measures would have proceeded with the process and would have developed over time and when we are done we will have had a set of measures that are usable.

**Ms. Burlison revised strawman document and turned it into a process map and reviewed it with the committee.

**For compass measures, skip the beginning portion and start at the measure development lifecycle.

**Many of the literature reviews were completed in the past, but do not have access to them. Ms. Burlison will have to work on conducting the lit reviews again.

**Discussed potentially creating an entirely separate process map for Compass, since the process will be distinctly different.

**CMS announced payment program demonstration project. We will need to keep this information in mind as we develop measures.

**In Developing a draft workplan/timeline to achieve objectives the committee members will be assigned to one of the different groups, Research, Specification, or Learning & Testing. These groups will allow

time to complete the measure development work. Request for this group to email Ms. Burlison and Mr. Murray with a list of your strengths, and or your preferences for the workgroup that would best fit you.

**We can move forward with this process map, with slight modifications before the board meeting.

**Additional items of discussion: The upcoming face-to-face meeting with the BOT on February 28, 2019 Noon to 5pm at ACEP headquarters 4950 W. Royal Lane Irving, Texas 75063. Noon until 5pm.

**Meeting adjourned.