QIP Leads Monthly Form

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Program Updates

PY4 COVID Modifications

- CMS approval is still pending. So far CMS has not sent any questions back about the modifications (a good sign, even if not definitive).

- DHCS timeline for communicating details with entities is unknown.

- Expect to write data methodology & QI narratives for each of the 40 reported measures.
  - If there were no QI activities for a measure due to COVID, mention that.
  - Describe plans for future QI efforts for the measure.
  - In the future, DHCS may waive the data narrative for measures that are part of the audit.

- **Please review slides 4-7** from [Dec 9 Office Hours](#).

- **Please email dlown@caph.org any clarifying questions** that you have about the COVID-related measures. As we will use those questions when working with DHCS to add needed details.

- SNI will collaborate with DHCS to ensure DHCS future guidance will address them.

Dually Enrolled – starting with PY4

- **"Dually Enrolled" = Medi-Cal beneficiaries for whom Medi-Cal is not the primary payer**

- For "Enrolled in Medi-Cal at the time of the denominator event" and "Payor Agnostic" measures, QIP entities should <u>include</u> all those who are Dually Enrolled on the date of the denominator event (not a change for Payer Agnostic):

- For each Medi-Cal Managed Care (MCMC) assigned lives measure reported by a QIP entity, that entity may <u>include all</u> OR <u>exclude all</u> assigned individuals who were Dually Enrolled for at least one month of the PY.
  - o The entity's decision to include or exclude such individuals for each given measure will apply for all three PYs of PY4-6. Include vs Exclude attestation checkbox in reporting application.

- Q-HVL HIV Viral Suppression (HVL-AD):
  - Based on MTAC's reminder that all denominator individuals must be seen by the QIP entity, DHCS agreed with our suggestion that <u>all Dually Enrolled individuals across both the measure's target populations must be included</u> in the denominator.

- Q-CMS130 Colorectal Cancer Screening is still TBD re: Dually Enrolled

QIP Audit Activities for 2022

DHCS original proposal (highly likely to be <u>significantly</u> down-scoped)

- DHCS Goals:
    1. All Medi-Cal Value-based Programs (VBP) to be audited at the reporting entity level
    2. (in time) Streamline VBP reporting and validation by having MCPs be the official reporting entity across Medi-Cal VBP

- Purpose of QIP Audit:
    1. Ensure accurate and valid reporting for this $1.8b Value Based Program
    2. Compare an entity's performance rates as reported by the entity for QIP and by their MCP to identify discrepancies and associated root causes and solutions for discrepancies (in advance of pursing Goal #2)

- Scope: Any reported PY4 measures that are <u>MCAS</u> measures (14 Priority + 6 Elective)

- Timing:
    1. March – Aug 2022: Audit of PY4 data (including data submission, audit reports, and additional chart reviews to HSAG).
    2. Aug – Dec 2022: HSAG obtains MCP rates for QIP entities and compares to entities' rates

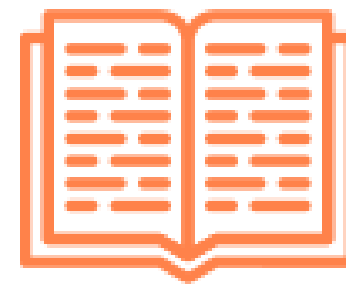**SNI counter proposal (discussed with DHCS on Thursday)**

- For PY4 focus on assessment/discovery using existing QIP data (or soon to be reported data) and MCP rates (for those same entities) and use simple/streamlined approaches to identify/analyze major discrepancies, root causes and potential solutions

- Ensure DPH representation and input on all audit processes, now and future.

- For any audit, there is a massive need to for education, orientation and preparation by both entities and auditor (HSAG).

Lots of details still TBD! For now, focus on reporting for PY4. SNI will keep members posted.
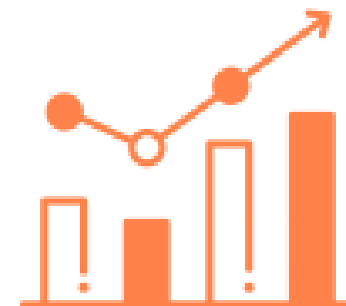
Program Year 5 (2022)

PY5 Reporting Manual:

- Estimated release: March 2022.
- See slide 5 of Jan 9 OH deck for measure set changes from PY4.
- Purchase ECDS specs for DRR-E and PRS-E
  - Now available at https://store.ncqa.org/ecds-qip-2022.html
  - Bonus: Get a free copy of HEDIS Volume 2 MY2022

PY5 Benchmarks:

- Pending: DHCS decision regarding MIPS benchmark data
- See slide 6 of Jan 9 OH deck.

Point of Contacts

For DHCS, check the revised liaison list that DHCS emailed to the QIP listserve on Jan 12th.

For SNI, email...

David Lown for any technical or programmatic questions

"I can answer any question... or at least find the answer for you."

Abby Gonzalez about SNI Link, QIP calendar invites, webinar recordings, or SNI events

"Something not working right? Let me know!"

Dana Pong ... ends work with SNI after Jan 28.

"Thank you, all, for being a pleasure to work with the last 7+ years. It's been fun & rewarding!"

Questions?