

**PMAC Chronic and Acute Care Subcommittee Meeting #2**  
**July 9, 2019**  
**Meeting Summary**

**Meeting Attendees**

Name	Title	Organization
Bonita Bobo	Program Manager	Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program, KY Dept of Public Health
Sharron Burton	Deputy Executive Director, Office of Legal Services	Kentucky Employee Health Plan, KY Personnel Cabinet
Stephanie Clouser	Data Scientist	Kentuckiana Health Collaborative
Karen Ditsch	CEO	Juniper Healthcare
Amanda Elder	Wellness Coordinator	LG&E-KU
Faith Green	Director, Office of the Chief Medical Officer	Humana
Hank Kerschen	Assistant Vice President, Primary Care and Clinical Transformation	St. Elizabeth Physicians
Reita Jones	Diabetes Community Health Coordinator	KY Diabetes Network; KY Dept of Public Health Diabetes Prevention and Control
Trudi Matthews	Managing Director	KY Regional Extension Center

**Meeting Items**

Introductions

Each attendee introduced themselves to the group. Stephanie outlined the goal of the meeting, which was to finalize the recommendations for modification to the current list of measures on the KY Core Healthcare MeasuresSet (KCHMS), including removing current measures, changing priority status of current measures, and addition of new measures.

Measures Review for Potential Removal

The group used average scores from scoring each measure on the rubric to guide the meeting's discussion.

Three measures currently on the KY Core Healthcare MeasuresSet were agreed at the last meeting to be re-evaluated for possible removal from the list:

- Medication Adherence for Diabetes Medications (NQF #541) | Average rubric score: 8.4
- Medication Adherence for Diabetes Medications (NQF #541) | Average rubric score: 8.3
- Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults with Acute Bronchitis (NQF #58) | Average rubric score: 8.4

The committee voted to recommend the removal of all three measures to the Oversight Committee. The consensus was as follows:

- Medication Adherence

- Although medication adherence is an important component of chronic disease management, the measure scores don't necessarily correlate with outcomes, collection is manual and tedious and doesn't necessarily provide much value, and providers don't currently have the information they need to impact the measure
- Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults with Acute Bronchitis
  - This is not seen as a high-value measure or high priority by committee members, and there are questions about patients "shopping around" or using urgent care to get an antibiotic for bronchitis

### Measures Review for Potential Priority Upgrade

Two measures currently on the KY Core Healthcare Measures Set were agreed at the last meeting to be re-evaluated for possible upgrade from Standard Priority to High Priority:

- Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Eye Exam (Retinal) Performed (NQF #55) | Average rubric score: 12.0
- Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Medical Attention for Nephropathy (NQF #62) | Average rubric score: 13.4

The committee agreed to recommend the upgrade of both measures to High Priority to the Oversight Committee. The consensus was as follows:

- Both of the above diabetes measures are important for overall management of the disease, and although the eye exam documentation and adherence for eye exams in particular can be challenging, as we get deeper into quality work, this is an important area of impact with room for improvement.

### Current Measures Review

One measure currently was agreed at the last meeting to be evaluated for possible addition to the KY Core Healthcare Measures Set:

- Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Blood Pressure Control (<140/90 mm Hg) (NQF #61) | Average rubric score: 12.7

The committee agreed to recommend the addition of this measure to the Oversight Committee. The consensus was as follows:

- While there already is a "Controlling High Blood Pressure" measure on KCHMS, it is especially important for individuals with diabetes. It's a tougher data-wise to collect, but an important driver of diabetes management.

### Measures Recommendation Discussion

Stephanie explained the next steps for the committee, including sending out a summary of decisions and rationale for the group to review ahead of the July 23 Oversight Committee Meeting.

### Adjourn

Stephanie thanked everyone for attending and ended the meeting.