

Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) EHR Reporting Project Consent Agreement

Designated eligible professionals from _____ and Qsource, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for Tennessee, agree to collaborate on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 10th Scope of Work (SOW) PQRS EHR Reporting Project. Under its contract with CMS, the QIO is charged with assisting eligible professionals to successfully report targeted PQRS measures via their electronic health record (EHR) so that incentive payments are received.

The information below outlines the collaborative project and the responsibilities of the eligible professionals and the QIO. The effective date of this Consent Agreement shall commence on the date signed below and will remain in effect until July 31, 2014.

The eligible professionals listed on page 3 agree to:

1. Participate in PQRS and report on at least three of the following measures via EHR*:

Measure #	Measure Title and Description
110	Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization for Patients ≥50 Years Old
111	Preventive Care and Screening: Pneumonia Vaccination for Patients 65 Years and Older
112	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening Mammography
113	Preventive Care and Screening: Colorectal Cancer Screening
226	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention
237	Hypertension: Blood Pressure Measurement

**CMS may modify this list for 2012 PQRS after the 2012 measures are announced*

2. Provide quarterly reports of the numerators and denominators, if available, of the three chosen PQRS measures to the QIO.
3. Provide required identifiers (practice's tax identification number and eligible professionals' national provider identifier).

The QIO agrees to:

1. Provide technical assistance/training for PQRS EHR data submission.
2. Provide technical assistance/training in producing reports of numerators and denominators.
3. Identify and share best practices in PQRS EHR reporting.

Confidentiality Statement

Under federal regulations, a healthcare quality improvement project is considered a quality review study as defined in 42 CFR Section 480.101(b) as being "an assessment, conducted by or for (the QIO), of a patient care problem for the purpose of improving patient care through peer analysis, intervention, resolution of the problem and follow-up." Further, federal regulations at 42 CFR Section 480.140 protect the identities of individual patients, practitioners, and institutions that participate in such studies, and prohibits, with few exceptions, (the QIO) from disclosing any

specific information about their work on quality review studies. (The QIO) cannot disclose information or data about participants in a quality review study to any party unless the information identifies only physicians, other practitioners, or practices, and those parties must consent to the release of information.

The above terms are accepted by:

Signature of Authorized Practice Representative on behalf of designated eligible professionals

Print Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

Signature of QIO Representative _____

Print Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

Public Release Option

Your success or improvement story and supporting documents would be beneficial to share with others across Tennessee and the nation with similar interests in healthcare quality improvement. Please indicate if we have permission to share your story.

I hereby grant permission to Qsource to disclose our relationship with them in quality improvement projects and to use and/or publish information regarding this organization's quality improvement efforts, including interventions, literature, documents, images, graphs, or other materials, for the purpose of furthering the advancement of healthcare quality. This is to include print, electronic, visual, verbal, Web and/or various media for an indefinite period of time. This release and consent is made without compensation and no compensation is required or anticipated.

I do not wish to disclose my relationship or share my story.

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