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Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

MINUTES OF THE INTEGRATED QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

October 28, 2025, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

1. Call to Order

The Contractor shall have its Quality Improvement Director participate in the Health Care Policy and Financing/HCPF Quality Improvement Committee to provide input and feedback regarding quality improvement priorities, performance improvement topics, measurements and specifics of reporting formats and timeframes, and other.

2. Review September 2025 Draft Minutes

Jerry Ware (HCPF) and meeting participants reviewed the draft minutes from the last meeting. The draft minutes were approved.

3. Performance Improvement Projects (PIPs) Update On Non-Clinical PIPs

Russell Kennedy led this PIP discussion. Russell started the discussion by noting the due date at the end of this week (10/31/2025) for health plans to submit their current PIP to Health Services Advisory Group/HSAG for validation. Russell also reminded health plan staff of the due date for submitting their new non-clinical PIP proposal on 11/14/25 directly to Russell. Meeting participant Kelly asked Russell to confirm the Department's expectation for the new PIP submissions that are due on 11/14/2025 and both discussed the overall PIP topics expected to be submitted specifically for the Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs). Russell and Kristine (HSAG) reminded health plan staff about the PIP guidance emails sent out on 9/12/25 and on 9/26/25. Sarah Thomas (Colorado Access) then asked when HSAG will share final PIP templates for the new PIPs? Kristine (HSAG) said yes, the templates will be shared but on a later timeline.

4. Managed Care Entity Quality Deliverable Templates

Russell (HCPF) led this discussion. Russell confirmed that the Phase 3 Quality Report Template was shared with health plans, and Russell also noted that excel was being utilized for this template because of the ease with this software.

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Russell noted that the template is not complete and that the ability to add links will be added to increase more detail inclusion. Russell also noted that there was plenty of time for the Department and health plans to finalize creation of this deliverable (due around September of the reporting year) and asked health plan staff if they had a chance to review the draft template over. Jeremy Sax (Denver Health) noted that the format of the template appears to align with 411, 412 and other project reporting efforts, but Jeremy requested input on why the Quality of Care Grievance (QOCG) project was included in the this reporting effort. Russell replied that there was a Department need for QOCG reporting in this effort, but that there will be another meeting scheduled after the first of next year with Department subject matter experts (SMEs) and the QOCG question can be addressed at that meeting in detail. Russell and Jeremy then discussed duplicative efforts in this new tool versus current reporting efforts. Stacy Stapp (Colorado Access) shared her agreement with Jeremy's duplicative comments and Stacy shared some concerns with linking efforts for this template and the need for more clarity on what should be included for certain template tabs. Russell noted the positive outcomes that will arise with the Department and health plans collaborating on this effort and Russell shared some additional input on why there is a need to move away from the current narrative reporting. Katie Egan (Denver Health) shared positive input related to this discussion effort in today's IQuIC Meeting. Katie also noted input about her health plans efforts with the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) reporting and how this template development deviates some from that effort and that this effort may be data heavy. Kathryn Burch (Colorado Access) asked Russell if the Department would be open to the health plans collaborating and taking the lead on this template creation effort. Russell said yes, that would be acceptable and Katie (Denver Health) and Kathryn Morrison (Anthem) chatted their agreement with that effort. Elizabeth Chapman (Kaiser Permanente) chatted and later noted that information listed in the online technical reports could be a source for linking data to the new template. Russell agreed. Kathryn (Anthem) then noted that some contract clarity is needed with this effort in regards to possibly combining 2 reportings into one, or merging reporting requirements. Russell and a few health plans also briefly discussed their efforts for NCQA accreditation.

5. HCPF and Health Plan Updates/Reminders

Russell shared brief comments about the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) rule change that now require states to facilitate experience of care surveys related to the states oversight reporting. Jeremy (Denver Health) and Shelly Siedelberg (Denver Health) shared questions concerning the Department's Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) letter that Russell is expected to send out in the coming months which may assist with requesting an exemption for voluntary HEDIS measure reporting. Shelly (Denver Health) then asked when HSAG would be sharing the HEDIS reporting templates. Sarah noted that the HSAG SMEs for HEDIS reporting were not on the call, but that she would

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follow up with them concerning technical assistance options and template submissions dates. Sarah also noted future plans for present in an IQuIC meeting on HEDIS reporting. Shelly (Denver Health) also stated that the previous reporting template was not user friendly. Stacy (Colorado Access) asked if the Interactive Data Submission System (IDSS) can be used to ease vendor efforts for these HEDIS reporting's. Sarah noted that she will pass this question on as well to the HSAG SMEs and later have them follow up with IQuIC participants. Russell (HCPF) asked if the future HEDIS discussion about the HEDIS template can be held at the January 2026 IQuIC meeting. Sarah (HSAG) said she will follow up on this question internally and later follow up with the Department. Kathryn (Colorado Access) asked if the Department could share the specifications for the RAE incentive performance measure validation project. Emily Kelley (HCPF) said she will follow up internally and later provide the answer for IQuIC participants.

6. Public Comments

No public attendees at the meeting.

7. Adjourn

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