

Hospice Quality Reporting Program Burden Calculations

Background Facts

- Total Number of HOSPICES in U.S. = 3632
- Average Number of Hospice Quality Reporting Program submissions/per Hospice/Year = 2
 - o 1 submission for structural measure data - (submission deadline January 31st 1st)
 - o 1 submission for NQF#0209 pain measure – submission deadline April 1st)
- Number of Hospice Quality Reporting Program submissions for all Hospices/Year = **7,264 submissions per year** (3632 Hospices in U.S. x 2 submissions per year = 7,264)
- Average time spent by each Hospice for **Structural Measure** data submission = **2.5 hours/yr 150 minutes/year** (See Exhibit A)
- Average time spent by each Hospice for **NQF #0209 Pain Measure** Submission = **178.5 hours/year 10,710 minutes/year** (See Exhibit B)

CALCULATION OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL HOUR BURDEN:

STRUCTURAL MEASURE

- **150** minutes per each Hospice per year for submission of Structural Measure data x **3632** Hospices in U.S. = **544,800** minutes per ALL Hospices/year for Structural Measure data submission
- **544,800** minutes per ALL Hospices per year for Structural Measure divided by **60** minutes/hour = **9080** hours for ALL Hospices per year for each Structural Measure data submission.

NQF #0209 PAIN MEASURE

- **10,710** minutes per each Hospice per year for submission of NQF# 0209 Measure data x **3632** Hospices in U.S. = **38,898,720** minutes per ALL Hospices/year for NQF #0209 Measure data submission
- **38,898,720** minutes per ALL Hospices per year for submission of NQF# 0209 Measure data divided by 60 minutes/hour = **648,312** hours for ALL Hospices per year for each NQF #0209 Pain Measure data submission.

BOTH MEASURES:

9080 hours for ALL Hospices per year for each Structural Measure data submission.

648,312 hours for ALL Hospices per year for each NQF #0209 Pain Measure data submission.

657,392 hours for ALL Hospices per year for submission of ALL Quality Measure data

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Cost/Wage Calculation:

Estimate of the average time spent by each Hospice provider per year for submission of Hospice Quality Reporting Program data = **181** hours. The cost burden for the submission of quality data is itemized as followed (further itemization is provided in Exhibits a & B)

| Job Description | Measure | Time Spent per year | Average Hourly Rate of Pay | Cost/Wage Calculation |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Administrative Assistant | NQF#0209 | 178.5 hours (10,710 min) | \$16.66 | \$2,973.81 |
| | QAPI measure | 70 min | \$16.66 | \$ 19.43 |
| Registered Nurse | QAPI measure | 80 min | \$33.23 | \$ 44.30 |
| TOTAL | | 181 hours (10,860 min) | | \$3,037.54 Per year |

\$3,038* - Total Annualized Cost To Each Hospice Providers

\$11,034,016* - Total Annualized Cost To ALL Hospice Providers

\$3,038* per Hospice per year x 3632 Hospices in the U.S. = **\$11,034,016***

Estimated Average Annual Cost / Provider = **\$3,038***
 (\$11,034,016* / 3632 Hospices)

Estimated Average Yearly Cost per submission of all QRP data for each Hospice = **\$1,519***
 (\$11,034,016* / 7,264 submissions)

Estimated Actual Yearly Cost per Hospice for Submission of Structural Measure Data: **\$63.73***

Estimated Actual Yearly Cost per Hospice for Submission of NQF #0209 Measure Data: **\$2,973.81***

***NOTE: For purposes of total annualized cost calculations, all numerical figures have been rounded up or down to the nearest whole number.**

Exhibit A

Time Estimates for Reporting of the Structural / QAPI Measure By Each Individual Hospice Provider

| Activity | Time | Frequency of Activity | Job description of person(s) who perform this task | Average Hourly Wage |
|---|---|------------------------------|---|---|
| Download and read User Guide | 60 minutes | One time only * | Administrative Assistant | \$16.66 x 60 min./yr. =\$16.66 per year |
| Refer to users guide while entering data for submission | 20 minutes | Once yearly per submission | Registered Nurse (R.N.) | \$33.23 x 20 min./yr. =\$11.07 per year |
| Create web account/login on CMS website | 10 minutes | One time only* | Administrative Assistant | \$16.66 x 10 min./yr. =\$2.78 per year |
| Gather/review QAPI program documentation of indicators used in Q4 2012, map to dropdown structure in the User Guide | 30 minutes | Once yearly per submission | Registered Nurse (R.N.) | \$33.23 x 30 min./yr. =\$16.61 per year |
| Login and enter data for structural measures using dropdowns | 30 minutes | Once yearly per submission | Registered Nurse (R.N.) | \$33.23 x 30 min./yr. =\$16.61 per year |
| Total | 70 minutes <u>80 minutes</u> 150 minutes (2.5 hours) | | 80 minutes spent by R.N. @ hourly wage of \$33.23 70 minutes spent by Administrative Assistant @hourly wage of \$16.66 | \$16.66 \$11.07 \$ 2.78 \$16.61 <u>\$16.61</u> \$63.73 |

Exhibit B

Time Estimates for Reporting of the NQF #0209 Pain Measure By Each Individual Hospice Provider

| Activity | Time | Frequency of Activity | Job description of person(s) who perform this task | Average Hourly Wage |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| Refresher reading of User Guide* | 30 minutes per Reporting Period 0.5 hours per year | One time only * | Administrative Assistant | \$16.66 x 30 min./yr. =\$8.33 per year |
| Aggregate the clinical data for collection of the required data elements for NQF 0209 | 14 hours per month; or 42 hours per quarter; or 168 hours per year (10,080 minutes/yr) | Once yearly per submission (or may be done on a quarterly basis) | Administrative Assistant | \$16.66 x 14 hours/mo. = \$233.23 \$16.66 x 168 hrs/yr. = \$2,798.88 per year |
| Login and enter the 7 data elements | 0.83 hours per month; or 2.5 hours per quarter; or 10 hours per year (600 minutes/yr) | Once yearly per submission (or may be done on a quarterly basis) | Administrative Assistant | \$16.66 x 10 hours/yr. = \$166.60 |
| Total | 30 minutes @ \$16.66/hr 10,080 minutes @\$16.66/hr <u>600 minutes @\$16.66/hr</u> 10,710 minutes (178.5 hours) | | | \$8.33 \$2,798.88 <u>\$166.60</u> \$2,973.81 |