

QCDR Measure Submission Template CY 2020 Final versus CY 2021 Proposed

Burden impact: The changes to this form do not reflect proposals in the CY2021 Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) Proposed Rule for the Quality Payment Program. There are no impacts to burden as a result of any changes reflected here.

Change #1:

Location: Page 1

Reason for Change:

Added instructions at the top of the file because of change from Jira online platform data collection to e-mail based data collection for 2020 only.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

None

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Instructions:

1. Complete the measure template below by entering your candidate measure information in the column titled “Add Your Content Here.”
2. All rows that have an asterisk symbol * in the Field Label require a response. These rows also appear unshaded.
3. All rows shaded in gray are optional. You are encouraged to complete all rows that are applicable to your measure.
4. For each row, the “Guidance” column provides details about how to complete the form and what kind of data to include in your response.
5. For check boxes, note whether the field is “select one” or “select all that apply.” You can click on the box to place or remove the “X.”
6. If you have lengthy text to insert, place the text at the bottom of the form, clearly indicating your intended row number or field label.
7. Send completed templates and any accompanying files (e.g., MIPS Peer Review Journal Article attachment, testing data, MAT information) by June 30, 2020 to prulemaking@battelle.org
8. If you need to submit a measure change, please use the “Review” tab in Word and select “Track Changes” or highlight any updates you made to the measure, then by September 4, 2020, send the revised template to prulemaking@battelle.org

Change #2:

Location: All pages

Reason for Change:

To save space, this column and its contents were replaced by an asterisk symbol in the “Field Label” column.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Req’d [Required]

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

[Deleted this column]

Change #3:

Location: All pages

Reason for Change:

Changed column header because of the change from Jira online platform data collection to e-mail based data collection for 2020 only.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

[Changed column header to read: Guidance]

Change #4:

Location: All pages

Reason for Change:

To save space, this column and its contents were deleted. It had formerly contained user guidance such as “free text,” “select one,” or “select all that apply.” If needed for clarity, this guidance was adapted into the “Field Label” or “Guidance” or “ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE” fields.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Data Form

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

[Deleted this column]

Change #5:

Location: All pages

Reason for Change:

To save space, this column deleted, and its contents were adapted to the “ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE” column.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Possible Values

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

[Deleted this column]

Change #6:

Location: All pages

Reason for Change:

Type format change to make the data entry column more visible and prominent for ease of use.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

[Changed column header to read: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE]

Change #7:

Location: Page 1, Row 1

Reason for Change:

Changed because of the Jira to e-mail difference.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Auto *Date (no user input required)

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Field Label

*Date MM/DD/YYYY

Change #8:

Location: Page 1, Row 1

Reason for Change:

Changed because of the Jira to e-mail difference.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

[was blank]

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Guidance

Change to read: "Enter the current date of submission or revision"

Change #9:

Location: Page 1, Row 2

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Issue Type

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Field Label

* Issue Type

Change #10:

Location: Page 1, Row 2

Reason for Change:

The "Question" and "Feedback" choices were not needed, so they were deleted from the guidance.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select Measure Submission to nominate a measure for the 2020 MUC list. Select Question to ask a question on the MUC process. Select Modify Candidate Measure to change a measure already submitted for 2020. Select Feedback to leave feedback about the 2020 MUC process.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Guidance

Select Measure Submission to nominate a measure for the 2020 MUC list. Select Modify Candidate Measure to change a measure already submitted for 2020. Select only one.

Change #11:

Location: Page 1, Row 2

Reason for Change:

The "Question" and "Feedback" choices were not needed, so they were deleted from the data entry field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

Measure Submission Question

Modify Candidate Measure Feedback

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

Measure Submission

Modify Candidate Measure

Change #12:

Location: Page 1, Row 3

Reason for Change:

Revised label because "Component" was a confusing name for this field, required in Jira. Added asterisk to indicate a required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Component/s

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Field Label

*CMS Program(s)

Change #13:

Location: Page 1, Row 3

Reason for Change:

Changed because of the Jira to e-mail difference.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Start typing to get a list of possible matches or press down to select. Enter CMS program(s) for which the measure is being submitted.

If you are submitting for MIPS, there are two choices of program. Choose MIPS-Quality for measures that pertain to quality and/or efficiency. Choose MIPS-Cost only for measures that pertain to cost. Do not select both MIPS-Quality and MIPS-Cost for the same measure.

If you select MIPS (either Quality or Cost), please navigate to the Additional Resources list at this web site: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/QualityMeasures/Pre-Rule-Making.html>, download the “MIPS Peer Review Template and a Completed Sample,” and attach the completed form to your JIRA submission using the “Attachments” field at the bottom of this web page.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Guidance

Select the CMS program(s) for which the measure is being submitted. Select all that apply.

If you are submitting for MIPS, there are two choices of program. Choose MIPS-Quality for measures that pertain to quality and/or efficiency. Choose MIPS-Cost only for measures that pertain to cost. Do not enter both MIPS-Quality and MIPS-Cost for the same measure.

If you enter MIPS (either Quality or Cost), please navigate to the Additional Resources list at this web site: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/QualityMeasures/Pre-Rule-Making.html>, download the “MIPS Peer Review Template and a Completed Sample,” and send the completed form with your template by email to Prerulemaking@Battelle.org.

Change #14:

Location: Page 1, Row 3

Reason for Change:

For user convenience in selecting program name(s).

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

[Added check boxes to the list of all available CMS Programs]

Change #15:

Location: Page 2, Row 4

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What is the history or background for including this measure on the 2020 MUC list?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Field Label

*What is the history or background for including this measure on the 2020 MUC list?

Change #16:

Location: Page 2, Row 4

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select only one reason

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Guidance

Select only one description

Change #17:

Location: Page 2, Row 4

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

[Deleted the choice “None” and added check boxes to the listed items]

Change #18:

Location: Page 3, Row 7

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select as many as apply. These should be current use programs only, not programs for the 2020 submittal.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply. These should be current use programs only, not programs for the 2020 submittal.

Change #19:

Location: Page 3, Row 7

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Add Your Content Here

[Added check boxes to the list]

Change #20:

Location: Page 4, Row 8

Reason for Change:

Revised label because "Summary" was a confusing name for this field, required in Jira.
Added asterisk to indicate a required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label
Summary

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label
*Measure Title

Change #21:

Location: Page 4, Row 8

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance
Provide the measure title only (255 characters or less). Put program-specific ID number in the next field, not in the title. Note: Do not enter the NQF ID, former JIRA MUC ID number, or any other ID numbers here (see below).

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance
Provide the measure title only (255 characters or less). Put program-specific ID number in the next field, not in the title. Note: Do not enter the NQF ID, former JIRA MUC ID number, or any other ID numbers here (see other fields below). The CMS program name should not ordinarily be part of the measure title, because each measure record already has a required field that specifies the CMS program. An exception would be if there are several measures with otherwise identical titles that apply to different programs. In this case, including or imbedding a program identifier in the title (to prevent there being any otherwise duplicate titles) is helpful.

Change #22:

Location: Page 5, Row 10

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label
Measure description

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label
*Measure description

Change #23:

Location: Page 5, Row 10

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Provide a brief description of the measure (700 characters or less).

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Provide a brief description of the measure (700 characters or less).

Change #24:

Location: Page 5, Row 11

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Numerator

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Numerator

Change #25:

Location: Page 5, Row 11

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

The upper portion of a fraction used to calculate a rate, proportion, or ratio. A clinical action to be counted as meeting a measure's requirements. For all fields, especially Numerator and Denominator, use plain text whenever possible. If needed, convert any special symbols, math expressions, or equations to plain text (keyboard alphanumeric, such as + - * /). This will help reduce errors and speed up data conversion, team evaluation, and MUC report formatting.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

The upper portion of a fraction used to calculate a rate, proportion, or ratio. A clinical action to be counted as meeting a measure's requirements. For all fields, especially Numerator and Denominator, use plain text whenever possible. If needed, convert any special symbols, math expressions, or equations to plain text (keyboard alphanumeric, such as + - * /). This will help reduce errors and speed up data conversion, team evaluation, and MUC report formatting.

For all free-text fields: Be sure to spell out all abbreviations and define special terms at their first occurrence. This will save time and revision/editing cycles during clearance.

Change #26:

Location: Page 5, Row 12

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Denominator

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

Denominator

Change #27:

Location: Page 5, Row 13

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Exclusions/Exceptions

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

* Exclusions/Exceptions

Change #28:

Location: Page 5, Row 14

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Measure Type

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

* Measure Type

Change #29:

Location: Page 5, Row 14

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select only one type of measure. For definitions, visit this web site:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/QualityMeasures/Pre-Rule-Making.html>

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select only one type of measure. For definitions, visit this web site:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/QualityMeasures/Pre-Rule-Making.html>

Change #30:

Location: Page 5, Row 14

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Deleted the choice “None” and added check boxes to the listed items]

Change #31:

Location: Page 5, Row 14

Reason for Change:

Edited the directions for “Other” for clarity, given the e-mail data collection format.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

Other (enter here):

Change #32:

Location: Page 6, Row 16

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Is this measure similar to and/or competing with measure(s) already in a program?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Is this measure similar to and/or competing with measure(s) already in a program?

Change #33:

Location: Page 6, Row 16

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Consider other measures with similar purposes.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select either Yes or No. Consider other measures with similar purposes.

Change #34:

Location: Page 7, Row 22

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What is the target population of the measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*What is the target population of the measure?

Change #36:

Location: Page 7, Row 23

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What one area of specialty is the measure aimed to, or which specialty is most likely to report this measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*What one area of specialty is the measure aimed to, or which specialty is most likely to report this measure?

Change #37:

Location: Page 7, Row 23

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select the most applicable area of specialty.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select the one most applicable area of specialty.

Change #38:

Location: Page 7, Row 23

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

See Appendix A.23 for list choices. Copy/paste or enter your choice here:

Change #39:

Location: Page 8, Row 24

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What one primary healthcare priority applies to this measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*What one primary healthcare priority applies to this measure?

Change #40:

Location: Page 8, Row 24

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Healthcare priorities (also known as domains); select the best one.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Healthcare priorities (also known as domains). Select the best one.

Change #41:

Location: Page 8, Row 24

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Added check boxes to the list]

Change #42:

Location: Page 8, Row 25

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What one primary meaningful measure applies to this measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*What one primary meaningful measure applies to this measure?

Change #43:

Location: Page 8, Row 25

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Added check boxes to the list]

Change #44:

Location: Page 9, Row 26

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Healthcare priorities (also known as domains); select one alternate or secondary priority only if applicable.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Healthcare priorities (also known as domains). Select one alternate or secondary priority only if applicable.

Change #45:

Location: Page 9, Row 26

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Added check boxes to the list]

Change #46:

Location: Page 9, Row 27

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select an alternate or secondary area only if applicable. The meaningful measure area choices depend on your selection of secondary healthcare priority above.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select one alternate or secondary area only if applicable. The meaningful measure area choices depend on your selection of secondary healthcare priority above.

Change #47:

Location: Page 9, Row 27

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Added check boxes to the list]

Change #48:

Location: Page 9, Row 28

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Briefly describe the peer reviewed evidence justifying this measure

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Briefly describe the peer reviewed evidence justifying this measure

Change #49:

Location: Page 9, Row 28

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Add description of evidence.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Add description of evidence. If you have lengthy text to insert, place the text at the bottom of this form, clearly indicating row number 28.

Change #50:

Location: Page 10, Row 29

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What is the NQF status of the measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

* What is the NQF status of the measure?

Change #51:

Location: Page 10, Row 29

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Deleted the choice “None” and added check boxes to the listed items]

Change #52:

Location: Page 10, Row 30

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

NQF ID

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*NQF ID

Change #53:

Location: Page 10, Row 30

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Four- or five-digit identifier with leading zeros and following letter if needed. If no NQF ID number is known, enter numerals 0000.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Four- or five-digit identifier with leading zeros and following letter if needed. If no NQF ID number is known, enter numerals 0000. Place zeros ahead of ID if necessary (e.g., 0064). Add a letter after the ID if necessary (e.g., 0064e).

Change #54:

Location: Page 10, Row 31

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Provide evidence that the data source used by the measure is readily available to CMS. Summarize how CMS would operationalize the measure. For example, if the measure is based on registry data, the submitter must provide evidence that the majority of the hospitals in the program in which the measure will be used participate in the registry; if the measure is registry-based, the submitter must provide a plan for CMS to gain access to the registry data. For eCQMs, attach feasibility scorecard or other quantitative evidence indicating measure can be reported by the intended reporting entities.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

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Change #55:

Location: Page 11, Row 33

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select only one

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select Yes or No

Change #56

Location: Page 11, Row 34

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Which specification fields are different? Select as many as apply.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Which specification fields are different? Select all that apply.

Change #57:

Location: Page 11, Row 34

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Add Your Content Here

[Add check boxes to the list]

Change #58:

Location: Page 11, Row 34

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Modified the choice "Other" as follows:]

Other (enter here and see next field):

Change #59:

Location: Page 11, Row 36

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Add check boxes to the list]

Change #60:

Location: Page 12, Row 37

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Add check boxes to the list]

Change #61:

Location: Page 12, Row 38

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

In what state of development is the measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*In what state of development is the measure?

Change #62:

Location: Page 12, Row 38

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select as many as apply. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply.

Change #63:

Location: Page 12, Row 38

Reason for Change:

Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Add check boxes to the list]

Change #64:

Location: Page 12, Row 39

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Details are helpful to CMS in understanding where the measure is in the developmental cycle and will weigh heavily in determining whether or not the measure will be published on the MUC List.

If you selected early development above, meaning testing is not currently underway, please describe when testing is planned (i.e., specific dates), what type of testing is planned (e.g., alpha, beta, etc.) as well as the types of facilities in which the measure will be tested.

If you selected field testing or fully developed above, please describe what testing (e.g., alpha, beta, etc.) has taken place in addition to the results of that testing.

Related to testing, summarize results from validity testing including number of reporting entities and patients measured, and how validity was assessed. Summarize results from reliability testing including number of reporting entities and patients measured, and how reliability was assessed.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

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If you entered field testing or fully developed above, please describe what testing (e.g., alpha, beta, etc.) has taken place in addition to the results of that testing.

Related to testing, summarize results from validity testing including number of reporting entities and patients measured, and how validity was assessed. Summarize results from reliability testing including number of reporting entities and patients measured, and how reliability was assessed.

Change #65:

Location: Page 13, Row 40

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

In which setting was this measure tested?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*In which setting was this measure tested?

Change #66:

Location: Page 13, Row 40

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select as many as apply. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply.

Change #67:

Location: Page 13, Row 40

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Deleted the choice “None” and added check boxes to the listed items]

Change #68:

Location: Page 13, Row 40

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Modified the choice “Other” as follows:]

Other (enter here):

Change #69:

Location: Page 13, Row 41

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

At what level of analysis was the measure tested?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*At what level of analysis was the measure tested?

Change #70:

Location: Page 13, Row 41

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select all that apply

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply

Change #71:

Location: Page 13, Row 41

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Deleted the choice “None” and added check boxes to the listed items]

Change #72:

Location: Page 13, Row 41

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

[Modified the choice “Other” as follows:]

Other (enter here):

Change #73:

Location: Page 13, Row 42

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

What data sources are used for the measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*What data sources are used for the measure?

Change #74:

Location: Page 14, Row 42

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select as many as apply. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

If Claims, then enter relevant parts in the field below.

If EHR, then enter relevant parts in the field below.

If Registry, then enter which registry in the field below.

Use the "Comments" field to specify or elaborate on the type of data source, if needed to define your measure.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply.

If Claims, then enter relevant parts in the field below.

If EHR, then enter relevant parts in the field below.

If Registry, then enter which registry in the field below.

Use the "Comments" field at Row 69 to specify or elaborate on the type of data source, if needed to define your measure.

Change #75:

Location: Page 14, Row 42

Reason for Change:

"None" was a vestige of the Jira platform. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

Other (enter here):

Change #76:

Location: Page 14, Row 44

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Identify the registry using the submitted measure. Select as many as apply. Use the scroll bar to view all available registries.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Identify the registry using the submitted measure. Select all that apply.

Change #77:

Location: Page 14, Row 44

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

See Appendix A.44 for list choices. Copy/paste or enter your choices here:

Change #78:

Location: Page 15, Row 45

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

This differs from the data sources above. This is the anticipated data submission method. Select as many as apply. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections. Use the "Comments" field to specify or elaborate on the type of reporting data, if needed to define your measure.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

This differs from the data sources above. This is the anticipated data submission method. Select all that apply. Use the "Comments" field at Row 69 to specify or elaborate on the type of reporting data, if needed to define your measure.

Change #79:

Location: Page 15, Row 46

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

Other (enter here):

Change #80:

Location: Page 15, Row 47

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Is this measure an eCQM?
CY 2021 Proposed Rule text
Column: Field Label
*Is this measure an eCQM?

Change #81:

Location: Page 15, Row 47

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Is this an electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM)? Select only one. If your answer is yes, the Measure Authoring Tool (MAT) ID number must be provided below.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Is this an electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM)? Select Yes or No. If your answer is yes, the Measure Authoring Tool (MAT) ID number must be provided below.

Change #82:

Location: Page 15, Row 49

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

If eCQM, enter Measure Authoring Tool (MAT) number

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*If eCQM, enter Measure Authoring Tool (MAT) number

Change #83:

Location: Page 15, Row 49

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

In the Attachments field below, you must attach Bonnie test cases for this measure, with 100% logic coverage (test cases should be appended), attestation that value sets are published in Value Set Authority Center, and NQF feasibility scorecard. If not an eCQM, or if MAT number is not available, enter 0.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

You must attach Bonnie test cases for this measure, with 100% logic coverage (test cases should be appended), attestation that value sets are published in Value Set Authority Center, and NQF feasibility scorecard. If not an eCQM, or if MAT number is not available, enter 0.

Change #84:

Location: Page 15, Row 50

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

If eCQM, does the measure have a Health Quality Measures Format (HQMF) specification in alignment with the latest HQMF standards?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*If eCQM, does the measure have a Health Quality Measures Format (HQMF) specification in alignment with the latest HQMF standards?

Change #85:

Location: Page 15, Row 50

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

If not eCQM, select No

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select Yes or No. If not eCQM, enter No

Change #86:

Location: Page 16, Row 51

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Evidence of performance gap

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Evidence of performance gap

Change #87:

Location: Page 16, Row 51

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Evidence of a performance gap among the units of analysis in which the measure will be implemented. Provide analytic evidence that the units of analysis have room for improvement and, therefore, that the implementation of the measure would be meaningful. The distribution of performance should be wide. Measures must not address

“topped-out” opportunities. Please provide current rate of performance and standard deviation from that rate to demonstrate variability. If available, please provide information on the testing data set. If available, include percent average performance rate, minimum, and maximum. Include validity and reliability values in a standard format, and the population size used in determining these values.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Evidence of a performance gap among the units of analysis in which the measure will be implemented. Provide analytic evidence that the units of analysis have room for improvement and, therefore, that the implementation of the measure would be meaningful. The distribution of performance should be wide. Measures must not address “topped-out” opportunities. Please provide current rate of performance and standard deviation from that rate to demonstrate variability. If available, please provide information on the testing data set. If available, include percent average performance rate, minimum, and maximum. Include validity and reliability values in a standard format, and the population size used in determining these values. If you have lengthy text to insert, place the text at the bottom of this form, clearly indicating row number 51.

Change #88:

Location: Page 16, Row 53

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Was this measure published on a previous year's Measures under Consideration list?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Was this measure published on a previous year's Measures under Consideration list?

Change #89:

Location: Page 16, Row 53

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

If yes, you are submitting an existing measure for expansion into additional CMS programs or the measure has substantially changed since originally published, then proceed to the following subset of data fields including: In what prior year(s) was this measure published?, What were the MUC IDs for the measure in each year?, Why was the measure not recommended by the MAP workgroups in those year(s)?, What were the programs that NQF MAP reviewed the measure for in each year?, List the NQF MAP workgroup(s) in each year, What was the NQF MAP recommendation each year?, and NQF MAP report page number being referenced for each year. If no, then skip these subset questions.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select Yes or No. If yes, you are submitting an existing measure for expansion into additional CMS programs or the measure has substantially changed since originally published, then answer the following questions: 54 through 59 and 61. If no, then skip these subset questions.

Change #90:

Location: Page 17, Row 54

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select as many as apply. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select all that apply.

Change #91:

Location: Page 17, Row 54

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity. Boxes added for user convenience.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

Other (enter here):

Change #92:

Location: Page 18, Row 60

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

[was blank]

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

See reference link information at right.

Change #93:

Location: Page 18, Row 60

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

For your reference in completing this section, follow the links below or copy/paste the links into your browser to view each year's MAP pre-rulemaking report (2012 to 2019).

This is not a data entry field.

2016-19: <http://www.qualityforum.org/map/>

2015: <http://www.qualityforum.org/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=78711>

2014: http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2014/01/MAP_Pre-Rulemaking_Report_2014_Recommendations_on_Measures_for_More_than_20_Federal_Programs.aspx

2013: http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2013/02/MAP_Pre-Rulemaking_Report_-_February_2013.aspx

2012: http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2012/02/MAP_Pre-Rulemaking_Report_Input_on_Measures_Under_Consideration_by_HHS_for_2012_Rulemaking.aspx

All major NQF reports going back to 2008 should be locatable here:

<http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications.aspx>

Change #94:

Location: Page 19, Row 63

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Measure steward

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Measure steward

Change #95:

Location: Page 19, Row 63

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Select the current Measure Steward. Select as many as apply. Use the scroll bar to view all available stewards. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Enter the current Measure Steward. Select all that apply.

Change #96:

Location: Page 19, Row 63

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

See Appendix A.63-65 for list choices. Copy/paste or enter your choices here:

Change #97:

Location: Page 19, Row 64

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Measure Steward Contact Information

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Measure Steward Contact Information

Change #98:

Location: Page 19, Row 65

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

Entity or entities that will be the permanent measure steward(s), responsible for maintaining the measure and conducting NQF maintenance review. Use the scroll bar to view all available stewards. Hold down the Ctrl button while choosing to make multiple selections.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Entity or entities that will be the permanent measure steward(s), responsible for maintaining the measure and conducting NQF maintenance review. Select all that apply.

Change #99:

Location: Page 19, Row 65

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Add Your Content Here

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: ADD YOUR CONTENT HERE

See Appendix A.63-65 for list choices. Copy/paste or enter your choices here:

Change #101:

Location: Page 20, Row 67

Reason for Change:

Added asterisk symbol to indicate required field.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Field Label

Primary Submitter Contact Information

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Field Label

*Primary Submitter Contact Information

Change #102:

Location: Page 20, Row 70

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

The maximum file upload size is 10.00 MB. You are encouraged to attach measure information form (MIF) if available. This is a detailed description of the measure used by NQF during endorsement proceedings. If a MIF is not available, comprehensive measure methodology documents are encouraged.

If you select MIPS, please navigate to the Additional Resources list at this web site:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/QualityMeasures/Pre-Rule-Making.html>, download the "MIPS Peer Review Template and a Completed Sample," and attach the completed form to your JIRA submission using the "Attachments" field at the bottom of this web page.

If eCQM, you must attach Bonnie test cases for this measure, with 100% logic coverage (test cases should be appended), attestation that value sets are published in Value Set Authority Center, and NQF feasibility scorecard.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

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If eCQM, you must attach Bonnie test cases for this measure, with 100% logic coverage (test cases should be appended), attestation that value sets are published in Value Set Authority Center, and NQF feasibility scorecard.

Change #103:

Location: Page 21, Row 71

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Column: Screen Guidance

For those submitting measures to MIPS program, click “Yes” after you have attached your completed Peer Reviewed Journal Article Requirement form.

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Column: Guidance

Select Yes or No. For those submitting measures to MIPS program, enter “Yes.” Send your completed Peer Reviewed Journal Article Requirement form with your measure submission by email to Prerulemaking@Battelle.org.

Change #104:

Location: Page 21, bottom

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

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CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Send any questions or your completed form and any accompanying files to prulemaking@battelle.org

Change #105:

Location: Page 22, A-23

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

A.23 Choices for what area of specialty best fits the measure?

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

A.23 Choices for What area of specialty best fits the measure?

Change #106:

Location: Page 22, A-23

Reason for Change:

“None” was a vestige of the Jira platform.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

“None”

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

[Deleted "None" from the list of choices.]

Change #107:

Location: Page 22, A-23

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Not applicable

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Other (enter in Row 23)

Change #108:

Location: Page 23, A-44

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for readability

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Not applicable

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

[Sorted the list of registries so that all entries are in alphabetical order.]

Change #109:

Location: Page 23, A-44

Reason for Change:

Edited one list entry for clarity and added new list entry at CMS request.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Geriatric Practice Management LTC Registry

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Geriatric Practice Management LTC Qualified Clinical Data Registry

Geriatric Practice Management LTC Registry

Change #110:

Location: Page 26, A63-65

Reason for Change:

"None" was a vestige of the Jira platform.

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Not applicable

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

[Deleted "None" from the list of choices.]

Change #111:

Location: Page 26, A63-65

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

Not applicable

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Other (enter in Row 63 or Row 65)

Change #112:

Location: Page 28

Reason for Change:

Editorial change for clarity

CY 2020 Final Rule text:

[was blank]

CY 2021 Proposed Rule text

Space for Placing Lengthy Text (If Applicable)

If you have lengthy text to insert, place it below here, clearly indicating for each answer the intended row number and/or field label from the template above.

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