

**ED Boarding and Crowding Working Group
December 18, 2024 | 3:00pm-4:00pm
Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Greg Allard, Jonathan Bankoff, Matt Barrett, John Brancato, Phil Davis, Daniel Freess, Dock Fox, Lisa Freeman, Beth Liebhardt, Renee Malaro, Jennifer Martin, Miriam Miller, Chris Moore, Mag Morelli, Mairead Painter, Greg Shangold.

Members absent: Lara Chepenik, Rebekah Heckmann, Craig Mittleman, Phillip Roland, Anumeha Singh.

Introduction

- Chris Moore called the meeting to order at 3:07pm
- John Brancato motioned to approve the minutes from November 20; Dock Fox seconded.
 - The meeting minutes passed without discussion.

Recent ECCQ measure on CMS MUC list

- Chris mentioned the Equity of Emergency Care Capacity and Quality (ECCQ) was put up for public comment by CMS, and it is open through December 30th.

Review and Discuss Final Report

- Chris asked members to confirm the accuracy of their names, credentials, and associations.
- The group reviewed a section of the report concerning prior authorization on page 36 of the draft report.
- Matt Barrett motioned to approve the working group’s final report and Lisa Freeman seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, 15 of members present voted to approve the report, with one abstention and zero votes in opposition to the report. A record of the votes is below.

In favor		Opposed	Abstained
1. Beth Liebhardt	9. Jonathan Bankoff		1. Miriam Miller
2. Chris Moore	10. Dock Fox		
3. Daniel Freess	11. Mag Morelli		
4. Greg Allard	12. Mairead Painter		
5. Greg Shangold	13. Matt Barrett		
6. Phil Davis	14. Renee Malaro		
7. Jennifer A. Martin	15. Lisa Freeman		
8. John C. Brancato			

Next Steps

- The group discussed the need for Medicaid payment reform in the state and Connecticut’s fiscal guardrails.
- Chris shared information on an OHS meeting happening tomorrow (December 19th) with a form option to submit a quality measure.

Closing

- Jonathan Bankoff thanked Chris for his efforts driving the work of the group. Several members echoed these sentiments.
- The group concluded with future considerations. The meeting adjourned at 3:36pm.