# Quality Council November 17, 2022



### Call to Order and Roll Call



## **Agenda**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
4:00 p.m.	Call to Order and Roll Call
4:05 p.m.	Public Comment
4:15 p.m.	Approval of September 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes — Vote
4:20 p.m.	Proposed Implementation Plan for Strategies to Improve Performance on the Quality Benchmarks
4:45 p.m.	Presentation by the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission on the Massachusetts Quality Measure Alignment Taskforce
5:50 p.m.	Meeting Wrap-Up and Next Steps
6:00 p.m.	Adjourn

### **Public Comment**

# Approval of September 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes—Vote

# Proposed Implementation Plan for Strategies to Improve Performance on the Quality Benchmarks

# Strategies to Improve Performance on Quality Benchmarks (1 of 3)

- As a reminder...
  - In 2021, per the Quality Council's recommendation, seven Quality Benchmark measures and Benchmark values were selected for phased implementation starting in 2022.
  - Earlier this year, the Quality Council discussed strategies which should be prioritized to improve performance on the Quality Benchmarks.

# Phase 1: Beginning for 2022 Asthma Medication Ratio Controlling High Blood Pressure Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Control for Patients with Diabetes: HbA1c Poor Control Phase 2: Beginning for 2024 Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (7-day) Follow-up After ED Visit for Mental Illness (7-day) Obesity Equity Measure

# Strategies to Improve Performance on Quality Benchmarks (2 of 3)

• The following are the six strategies that the Council suggested prioritizing to improve performance on the Quality Benchmarks. We will be focusing on strategies #5 and #6 today.

#### **Strategy to Improve Performance on Quality Benchmarks**

- 1. Create a true set of "core measures", including the Quality Benchmark Measures as Core Measures.
- 2. Have the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) adopt the Quality Benchmarks in its contracts.
- 3. Public reporting of Advanced Network and payer performance on the Quality Benchmarks annually with Cost Growth Benchmark performance.
- 4. Public recognition of providers and payers that are performing well and/or demonstrating improvement on the Quality Benchmarks.
- 5. Partner with other agencies on a PR and education campaign.
- 6. Create a toolkit to give to provider organizations.

# Strategies to Improve Performance on Quality Benchmarks (3 of 3)

• Earlier this year, we discussed activities related to the prioritized strategies #5 and #6 (below) and today, we will expand upon those activities (in bold).

#### **Strategy to Improve Performance on Quality Benchmarks**

Strategy	Activities
5. Partner with other agencies on a PR and education campaign	<ul> <li>OHS will create communication materials about the Quality Benchmarks</li> <li>OHS will partner with other agencies to coordinate dissemination</li> <li>OHS will host a webinar with subject matter experts on each Quality Benchmark measure</li> </ul>
6. Create a toolkit to give to provider organizations	<ul> <li>OHS will solicit input from Quality Council on best practices for each Quality Benchmark measure</li> <li>OHS will conduct additional research into external resources for each Quality Benchmark measure</li> <li>OHS will develop a toolkit with resources and best practices for each Quality Benchmark measure</li> </ul>

## Proposed Implementation Plan for Strategy #5

**Strategy #5:** Partner with other agencies on a PR and education campaign.

Activities: Webinars	Timeline
☐ Identify subject matter experts (clinical content experts associated with toolkit resources and CT providers) to present on Phase 1 Quality Benchmark measures during the webinar series.	December 2022 /January 2023
☐ Schedule three webinars, one hour in length from 12-1pm to occur one per month in February, March and April 2023.	January 2023
■ Publicize schedule webinars by sending email invitations to the Quality Council members, Steering Committee members and stakeholders and posting on OHS' social media.	January/February 2023
☐ Disseminate webinar recordings by emailing webinar invitees and by posting webinar recordings on OHS' website and sharing via social media.	Week following scheduled webinar

## Proposed Implementation Plan for Strategy #6

**Strategy #6:** Create a toolkit to give to provider organizations.

Activities: Toolkits	Timeline
☐ Solicit recommendations for toolkits from Quality Council members.	November/ December 2022
<ul> <li>Solicit feedback on identified toolkits on the three Phase 1 Quality Benchmarks from Quality Council members.</li> <li>Identify alternative toolkits based on Quality Council feedback.</li> </ul>	December 2022/January 2023
☐ Adopt toolkits for each Phase 1 Quality Benchmark.	January 2023
☐ Disseminate by including toolkits in Quality Benchmark webinar invitations and announcements, posting toolkits on OHS' website, posting toolkits on OHS' social media, and disseminating to provider organizations.	January/February 2023

# Presentation from the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission on the Massachusetts Quality Measure Alignment Taskforce

# Wrap-up & Next Steps

### Meeting Wrap-Up & Next Steps



- Discuss Quality Benchmark Toolkits
- 2022 Reflections



- Introduction to 2023 Aligned Measure Set Annual Review Process
- Consider feedback on 2023 Aligned Measure Set (measures requested to be added/removed)