

# Technical Expert Panel (TEP) Membership List

**Project Title: Stakeholder Feedback for the ESRD Patient Life Goals Survey (PaLS) Measure**

**Project Overview:**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has contracted with the University of Michigan Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center (UM-KECC) to collect stakeholder feedback for the ESRD Patient Life Goals Survey (PaLS) measure. The contract name is Kidney Disease Quality Measure Development, Maintenance, and Support. The contract number is 75FCMC18D0041, task order number 75FCMC23F0001. As part of its measure development process, the University of Michigan Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center convenes groups of stakeholders who guide measurement development efforts and provide thoughtful contributions about content and purpose of proposed measures. UM-KECC has been tasked by CMS to collect stakeholder feedback for the ESRD Patient Life Goals Survey (PaLS) measure to evaluate the supporting evidence and face validity of the ESRD Patient Life Goals Survey (PaLS) measure. This measure was designed to collect patient-level data about discussions with providers about life goals when making treatment decisions about dialysis modality; this measure is being considered for use as a quality measure to help foster collaborative treatment decisions among patients and providers. The goal of these specific TEPs is to gather stakeholder feedback about the importance and usability of the PaLS. This information will be used to inform policy decisions about the use of this tool in future quality measure efforts in this population.

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We have selected these individuals and they have agreed to serve as the TEP for this project:

<b>Name, Credentials, Professional Role*</b>	<b>Organizational Affiliation, City, State*</b>	<b>Consumer/ Patient/ Family/ Caregiver Perspective*</b>	<b>Clinical Content</b>	<b>Performance Measurement</b>	<b>Conflict of Interest Disclosure*</b>
Shameka Ausborn Patient Advocate	American Academy of Kidney Patients, National Kidney Foundation, NxStage Jacksonville, FL	X			
Mary Baliker Patient Advocate	National Forum of ESRD Networks Middleton, WI	X			
Kerri Cavanaugh MD MHS Physician-Scientist Health Services Researcher	Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Veterans Affairs – TVHS Nashville, TN		X		General interest from researcher-perspective in this topic, PROMS in general
Paul Conway Chair of Policy and Global Affairs	American Academy of Kidney Patients Tampa, FL	X			
Krister Cromm Director – Person Centered Outcomes Research	Fresenius Medical Care Bad Homburg, Germany		X	X	Employee of Fresenius Medical Care

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Jane DeMeis MS Patient Advocate	National Kidney Foundation, American Academy of Kidney Patients Fairport, NY	X			
Jennifer Flythe, MD MPH Medical Director Associate Professor of Medicine with Tenure and Vice Chief, Division of Nephrology and Hypertension	UNC Hospitals Dialysis Services University of North Carolina (UNC)-Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC		X	X	I conduct research in Fresenius Medical Care dialysis clinics. The research is federally funded. I had a research grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation that aimed to develop a life goal-based program for dialysis care plans. I am a member of the NKF KDOQI Quality Measurement Workgroup.
Michael Gilchrist Caregiver	LIVING on Dialysis Roy, UT	X			
Christina Gilchrist Patient Advocate	LIVING on Dialysis Roy, UT	X			
Kevin Hamilton Staff Physical Therapist	Fusion Rehab and Wellness Louisville, CO		X		
Kristal Higgens Patient Advocate	Olive Branch, MS	X			
Angela J. Hurst, MSN, RN, FNP-C Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Nephrology	Watson Clinic, LLP Lakeland, Florida		X		
Toni Martin Patient Advocate	American Academy of Kidney Patients Mason, OH	X			

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Klemens Meyer, MD Professor of Medicine Medical Director Physician	Tufts University Medical Center DCI – Somerville Boston, MA		X	X	
Dori Muench LCSW, MSW, CCTSW, NSW-C Interim Clinical Manager Transplant Social Worker	Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Winston Salem, NC		X		
Matthew Rivara, MD Nephrologist and Chief Medical Officer	Northwest Kidney Centers University of Washington Seattle, WA		X	X	
Dale Rogers Board of Directors	American Academy of Kidney Patients	X			
Jane Schell MD, MHS, FNKF, FAAHPM Section Chief Associate Medical Director Associate Professor of Medicine	Section of Palliative Care and Medical Ethics, University of Pittsburgh Canterbury Dialysis Center, Dialysis Clinic, Inc. University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Section of Palliative Care and Medical Ethics, Division of Renal-Electrolyte Pittsburgh, PA		X		
Brigitte Schiller MD FACP FASN SVP, Medical Officer Home Therapies	Fresenius Medical Care Waltham. MA		X	X	
Sherrie Shively Patient Advocate	Hamden, CT				
Francesca Tentori MD MS Vice President, Outcomes Research & Patient Empowerment	DaVita Kidney Care Portland, TN		X	X	I am employed by DaVita Kidney Care
Jenn Trunk Patient Advocate	Chaska, MN	X			
Curtis Warfield Patient Advocate	National Kidney Foundation Indianapolis, IN	X			