Project Title: Development and Evaluation of Exchange Health Plan Quality Initiatives (Quality Rating System [QRS]/Quality Improvement Strategy [QIS])

Project Overview:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) contracted Booz Allen Hamilton (Booz Allen) to implement the Development and Evaluation of Exchange Health Plan Quality Initiatives (QRS/QIS) in fulfillment of the statutory and regulatory requirements of 1311(c)(3) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). The contract name is Development and Exchange of Health Plan Quality Initiatives (QRS/QIS). The contract number is 75FCMC18D0019. As the organizer of this TEP, Booz Allen convenes groups of interested parties and experts who contribute direction and thoughtful input on their work and analysis. The QRS/QIS TEP will advise on the continued implementation of the QRS and QIS by providing input on topics such as public engagement efforts, guidance materials, data analysis and methodology, and measure set refinements.

Technical Expert Panel (TEP) Membership

We have selected these individuals and they have agreed to serve as the TEP for this project:¹

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John Allen, MAT, Quality Improvement Director	CareSource Louisville, KY				√				V		V	No disclosed conflicts.

¹ This TEP was originally established in 2023. TEP members who are new to the QRS/QIS TEP for 2024 are denoted with an asterisk (*).

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Linda Brenner, M.A., Director, Quality Measurement & Performance	Point32Health Canton, MA				1			V	√		V	No disclosed conflicts.
*Jonathan Burdick, MD, CPE, Chief Medical Officer	Uptown Community Health Center Denver, CO							√	V		√	No disclosed conflicts.
Katie Button, M.A., Plan Management and Policy Analyst	Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Salem, OR			√							√	No disclosed conflicts.
Kaylee Capparelli, MHA, Senior Director, Quality Improvement	Centene Corporation Brooksville, FL				~				√		V	No disclosed conflicts.
Amy Cleary, MBA, MHP, Director of Quality Management	Geisinger Health Plan Danville, PA				~	√				V		No disclosed conflicts.
Shirley Dominguez, AA, Marketplace Consumer and Navigator Program Coordinator	Epilepsy Alliance Florida Miami, FL	V										No disclosed conflicts.

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Eric Glasnapp, BS, Health Care Quality Analyst	Florida Blue Jacksonville, FL				√				V		V	No disclosed conflicts.
Itisha Jefferson, BS, Patient/Caregiver and Medical Student	Loyola University: Stritch School of Medicine Maywood, IL	√								V		No disclosed conflicts.
Sarah Johnson, MD, MPH, CPHQ Independent Consultant	Independent Lake Success, NY						J	J	V	J	V	No disclosed conflicts.
Jennifer Jones, MPH, Managing Director, Legislative and Regulatory Policy	Blue Cross Blue Shield Association Washington, DC				~		J				√	No disclosed conflicts.
*Megan Lahr, MPH, Senior Research Fellow	University of Minnesota Rural Health Research Center Minneapolis, MN					~			✓	√		No disclosed conflicts.

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Christine H. Monahan, J.D., Assistant Research Professor	Georgetown University's Center on Health Insurance Reforms Washington, DC	V		√						V	√	No disclosed conflicts.
Chinwe Nwosu, MS, Director of Quality Strategy, Data, and Operations, Individual and Family Plans	UnitedHealthcare Washington, DC			√	√		V		V		V	No disclosed conflicts.
Erin O'Rourke, BS, Executive Director, Clinical Performance and Transformation	AHIP Manlius, NY						V		V		V	No disclosed conflicts.
S. Monica Soni, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Chief Deputy Executive Director	Covered California Sacramento, CA			√				~		√	~	Disclosed conflicts.
Eleni Theodoropoulos, MBA, CPHIMS, VP, Quality, Research & Measurement	URAC Washington, DC		V				V		V		✓	No disclosed conflicts.

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Danny van Leeuwen, RN, MPH, Patient/Caregiver and Nurse	Health Hats Arlington, MA	V						1				No disclosed conflicts.
*Kristin Villas, MPA, ² Senior Health Policy Analyst	Washington Health Benefit Exchange Seattle, WA						V		V	J	~	No disclosed conflicts.
*Karla Weng, MPH, CPHQ, Director, Program Management	Stratis Health Bloomington, MN					V			V		V	No disclosed conflicts.

² The Washington Health Benefit Exchange (WAHBE) was represented on the 2023 QRS/QIS TEP by Christine Gibert, JD, MPH.