

# **Quality Management in Medicaid Managed Care**

**February 4, 2021** 

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### **Agenda**

 NC Medicaid Quality Vision: Quality Strategy & Quality Management Program

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# The Times, They Are A'Changin'...

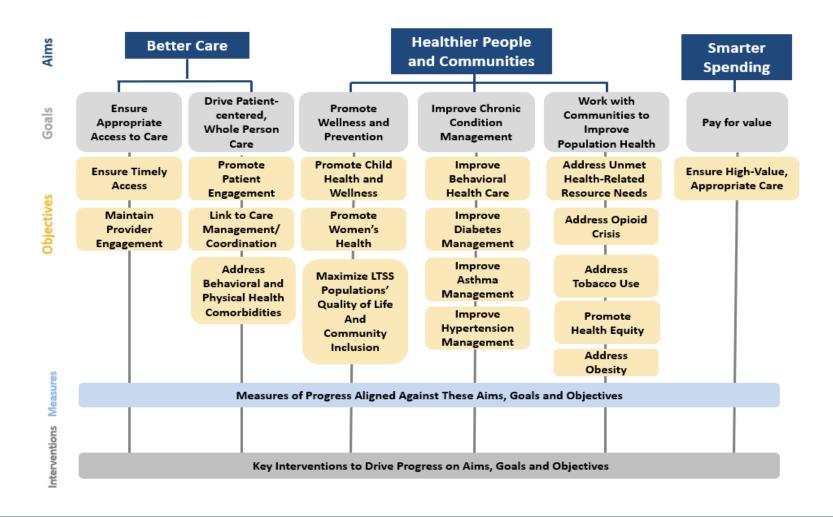
How will quality management feel different to you as a Medicaid provider after July 1st?





## **North Carolina Medicaid Quality Strategy**

The Quality Strategy defines and drives the overall vision for advancing the quality of care provided to Medicaid beneficiaries in North Carolina.



#### **Medicaid's Quality Management Program**

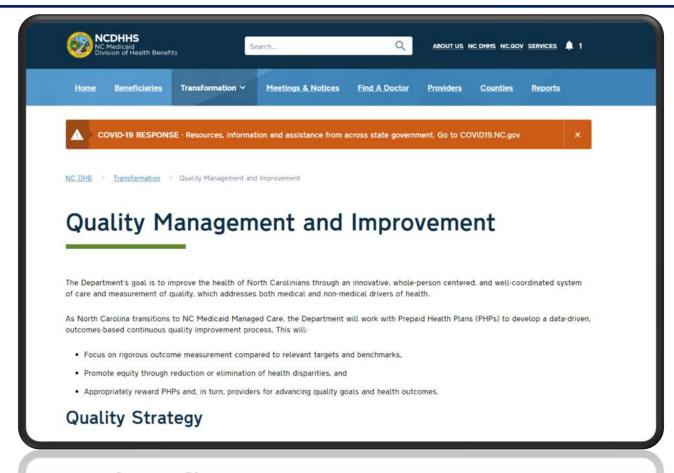
- Quality Measure Reporting
  - Claims-based, clinical data (NC HealthConnex), Surveys (member & provider)
- Measures/Disparity Analysis, Setting Targets, Amend/Adopt/Abandon
  - Expect measures & targets to flow to providers in value-based arrangements
  - DHB will standardize measure sets for certain programs (Advanced Medical Homes)
- **Quality Performance Improvement** 
  - Plans are required to have an annual assessment & improvement plan
  - DHB will oversee 3+ clinical performance improvement projects
  - DHB will support alignment and state-led provider supports
- **External Quality Assurance** 
  - Governance: MCAC Quality Subcommittee & Medicaid Quality Strategy
  - External Quality Review Organization (oversight of key contract areas, quality programs & reporting)
  - Health Plans are required to be NCQA accredited by Year 3
- 5 Program Evaluation
  - Care Management, Healthy Opportunities Pilots, Access to Care



### **Medicaid Quality: Public Reporting of Performance**

- ✓ Annual Quality Report—Statewide + Plan Performance
- ✓ Quality Rating Scale (QRS)—Member-Facing Plan Report Cards
- ✓ Health Equity Report
- ✓ Provider Survey Results
- ✓ Member Survey Results
- ✓ Network Accessibility Reports
- ✓ Accreditation Progress and Results & EQRO Reports
- ✓ Evaluation Results

#### **Medicaid Quality Management Webpage**



#### Quality Strategy

- Appropriately reward PHPs and, in turn, providers for advancing quality goals and health outcomes.
- Promote equity through reduction or eumination of health dispartnes, and

Link: https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/transformation/quality-management-and-improvement

### **NC Medicaid Annual Quality Report COMING SOON**

- Annual Report assessing performance on and accountability for quality measures related to aims and goals of the Quality Strategy
  - 1) Better Care Delivery, 2) Healthier People and Communities, and 3) Smarter Spending
  - Measures are organized by Aims/Goals
  - Measures from 2015-2019 are included
  - Measures are claims and survey-based
  - Measure rates are stratified with key disparities highlighted
  - NC statewide rates are compared to National Medicaid median where available
  - DHB assigned a statewide performance score (\*\*) based on measure performance in an AIM/GOAL area

## **Summary of NC Medicaid Quality Performance 2019**

Aims	Goals	Overall Performance
<b>Aim 1: Better Care Delivery.</b> Make health care more person-centered,	Goal 1: Ensure appropriate access to care	**
coordinated, and accessible.	Goal 2: Drive patient-centered, whole- person care	**
Aim 2: Healthier People, Healthier  Communities. Improve the health of  North Carolinians through prevention,	Goal 3: Promote wellness and prevention	**
better treatment of chronic conditions, and better behavioral health care, working collaboratively	Goal 4: Improve chronic condition management	*
with community partners.	Goal 5: Work with communities to improve population health	**
Aim 3: Smarter Spending. Pay for value rather than volume, incentivize innovation, and ensure appropriate care.	Goal 6: Pay for value	**

***	Performance across all measures in the group was above the national median.
**	Performance across all measures in the group was around the national median.
*	Performance across all measures in the group was below the national median.

## **NC Medicaid Physician Leadership**



Dr. Abigail DeVries, Family Physician, Associate Medical Director



Dr. Janelle White,
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Associate Medical Director



Dr. Velma Taormina, OB-Gyn, Women's Health Consultant

#### **Standard Plan Measures: Adult**

Measure	NQF#	Overall 2019 Performance
Cervical Cancer Screening (CCS)	0032	*
Chlamydia Screening in Women (Total Rate) (CHL)	0033	**
Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control	0059	-
(>9.0%) (HPC)		
Concurrent Use of Prescription Opioids and Benzodiazepines (COB)	3389	<b>♦</b> 14.86
Controlling High Blood Pressure (CBP)	0018	-
Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness	0576	
7- Day Follow-up (Age 21+)		**
30-Day Follow-up (Age 21+)		**
Flu Vaccinations for Adults (FVA)	0039	**
Medical Assistance with Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation (MSC)	0027	**
Advising Smokers and Tobacco Users to Quit		**
Discussing Cessation Medications		**
Discussing Cessation Strategies		**
Plan All-Cause Readmissions - Observed to expected ratio (PCR)	1768	<b>♦</b> 0.93
Use of Opioids at High Dosage in Persons Without Cancer (OHD)	2940	-

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Highlight Indicates measure which Standard Plan Health Plans will be accountable for through DHHS calculated measure targets to achieve to receive some or all of their withhold amount beginning year 3 of Managed Care. Measures selected for withhold subject to change.

#### **Standard Plan Measures: Pediatric**

Measure	NQF#	Overall 2019 Performance
Adolescent Well-Care Visit (AWC)*		*
Childhood Immunization Status (Combination 10) (CIS-CH)	0038	**
Percentage of Low Birthweight Births	N/A	<b>♦</b> 11.5
Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness	0576	
7- Day Follow-up (Ages 0-18)		-
30-Day Follow-up (Ages 0-18)		-
7- Day Follow-up (Ages 19-20)		<b>♦</b> 29
30-Day Follow-up (Ages 19-20)		<b>♦</b> 47
Immunization for Adolescents (Combination 2) (IMA)	1407	**
Percentage of Eligible Who Received Preventive Dental Services (PDENT-CH)	N/A	<b>♦</b> 52.1¹
Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan (DSF)	0418/ 0418e	-
Total Eligible Receiving at least One Initial or Periodic Screen (Federal Fiscal Year)	N/A	<b>♦</b> 52.98²
Use of First Line Psychosocial Care for Children and Adolescents on Antipsychotics (APP)	2801	**
Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life - 6 or More Visits (W15)*	1392	**
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### **Standard Plan Measures: Maternity and Other**

Measure	NQF#	CY2019 NC Rate
Percentage of Low Birthweight Births (modified measure)	N/A	<b>♦</b> 11.5
Prenatal and Postpartum Care (Both Rates) (PPC)	1517	
Timeliness of Prenatal Care		*
Postpartum Care		**
Pregnancy Tobacco Screening and Cessation	N/A	-
Rate of Screening for Pregnancy Risk	N/A	<b>♦</b> 77.5¹
Rate of Screening for Unmet Resource Needs	N/A	-
Total Cost of Care	N/A	-

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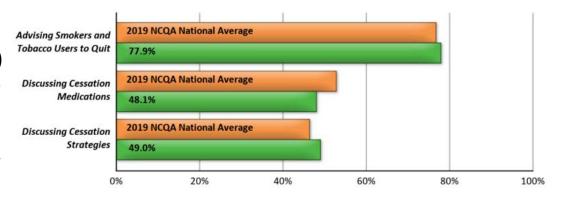
<sup>1</sup> Obstetrics providers are paid an incentive rate to perform a uniform Pregnancy Risk Screening. This rate reflects the % of Obstetric providers performing the screening over year

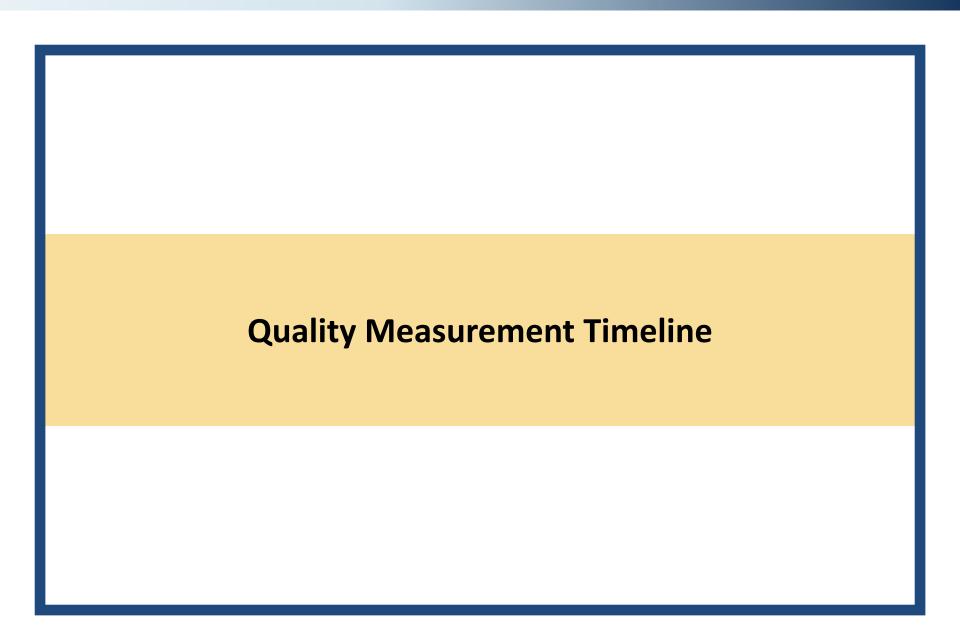
#### **Standard Plan Measures: Survey Measures**

- 1. Provider Survey (PCP and OB) DHB will distribute an annual survey to providers assessing their satisfaction with each Health Plan.
  - a) with support for healthcare quality
  - b) with administrative process

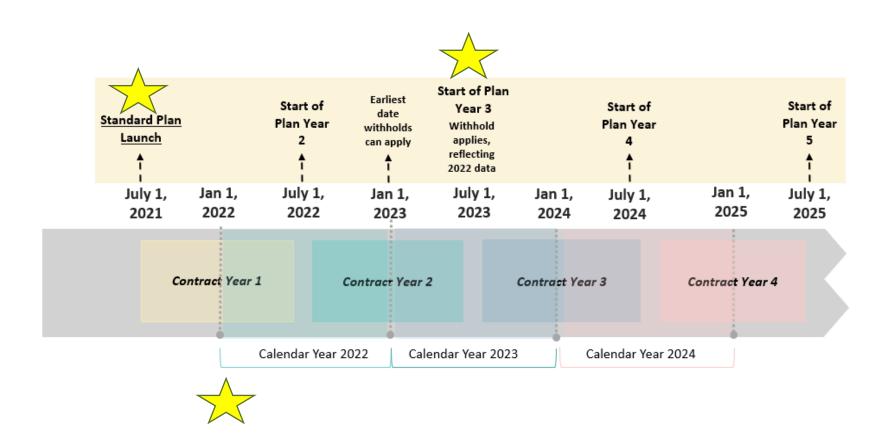
Implementing baseline in spring 2021 for comparison against health plan performance in future years.

- 2. DHB will use the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Adult v5.0 and Children v4.0 to assess patient experience in receiving care.
  - a) Results will be stratified by health plan, race and ethnicity.
  - b) Flu vaccination and tobacco cessation measures will be drawn from CAHPS.

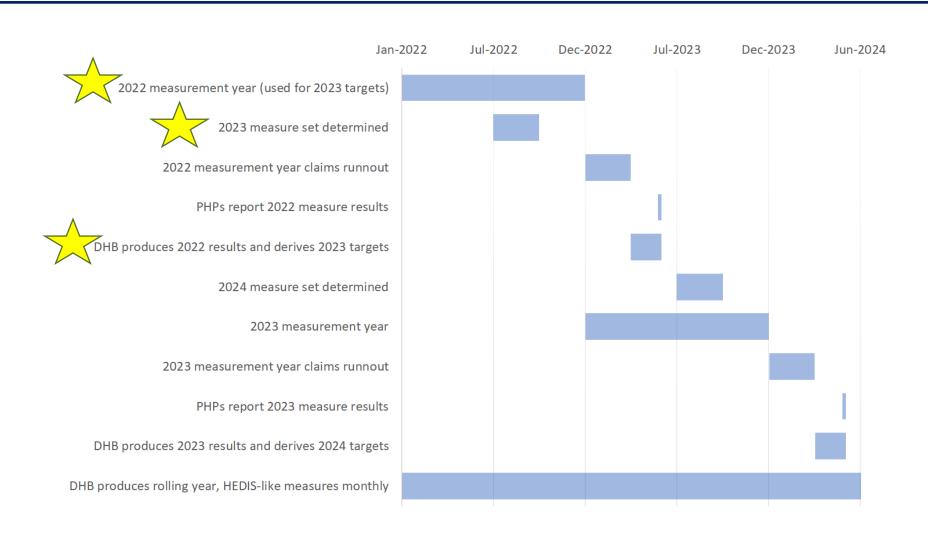


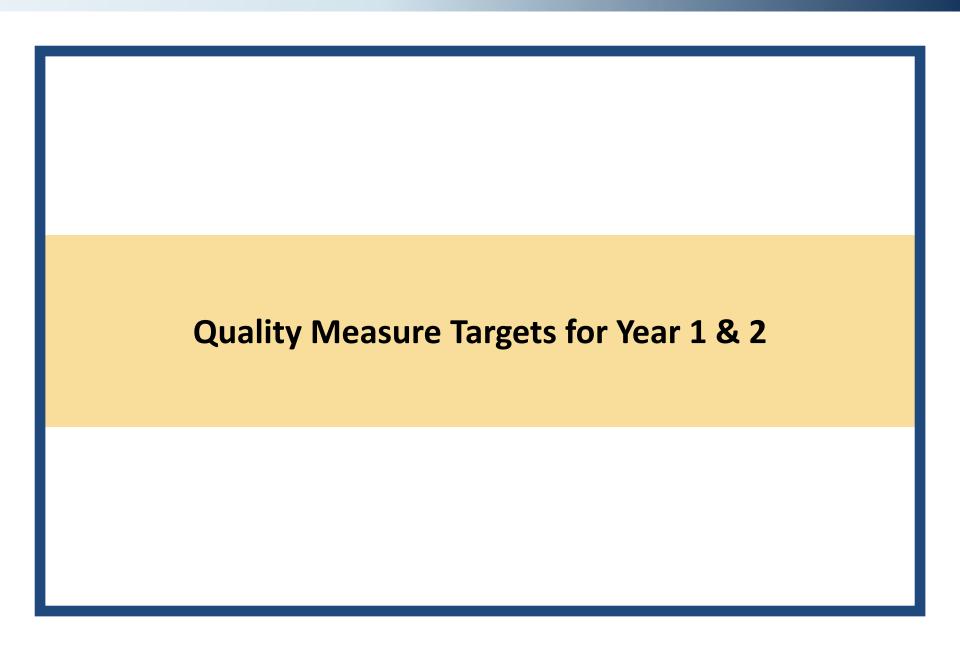


#### **Standard Plan Quality Measurement Timeline**



#### **Standard Plan Quality Measurement Cycle**



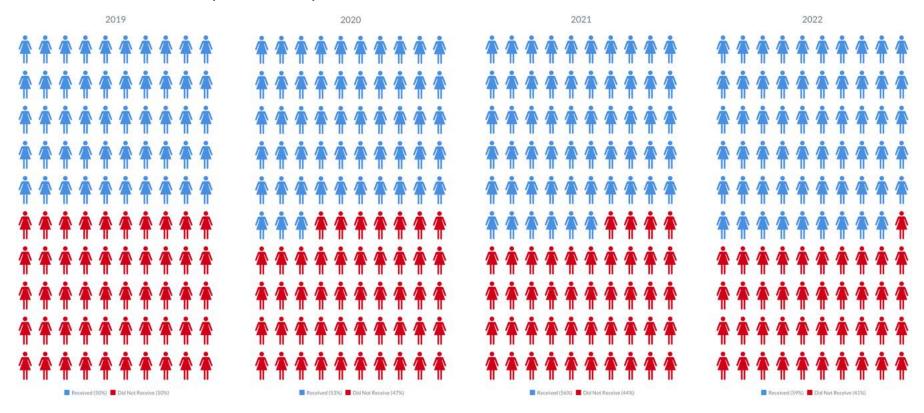


#### **Incremental Quality Measure Targets**

- For the first two years of managed care implementation, the Department's benchmark for each measure will be a 5% relative improvement over the prior year's North Carolina Medicaid statewide performance for that measure.
  - Example: health plan A has 1000 women who qualify for Chlamydia screening. In 2019, 500 got screening for a 50% performance. For the next measurement year, the health plan would need to screen an additional 25 women to achieve a 5% increase over baseline.
- Health plans will be compared against their program's historical performance and expected to show year-over-year improvements.

#### **Incremental Quality Measure Targets**

Each year the proportion of eligible women in health plan A that receive a Chlamydia screening increases by 5%. Each blue icon represents 10 women that received their screening. Health plan A's performance goes from 50% (500/1000) in 2019 to 59% (590/1000) in 2022.



#### **Disparity Definition**

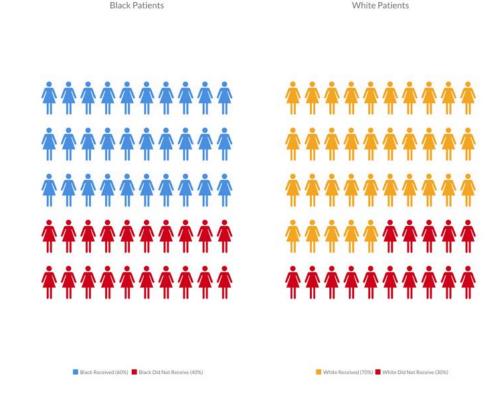
The Department will identify quality measures with significant disparities, defined as a greater than 10% relative gap in performance between a subgroup and a reference group. This disparity definition was developed by AHRQ as outlined in the 2019 National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

- Health plan B provides flu vaccines to 65% of all eligible patients (650/1000).
- When broken down by race, 70% of their white patients (350/500) get the flu vaccine.
- While only 60% (300/500) of their Black patients get the flu vaccine.
- This would become a focused measure for health plan B related to health equity.

### **Disparity Definition**

60% (300/500) of Black patients in health plan B receive the flu vaccine; blue icons=10 vaccinated Black patients. While 70% (350/500) of white patients in health plan B receive the flu vaccine; orange icons=10 vaccinated white patients. This 50-patient difference equates to a 14% disparity.



#### **Incremental Disparity Targets**

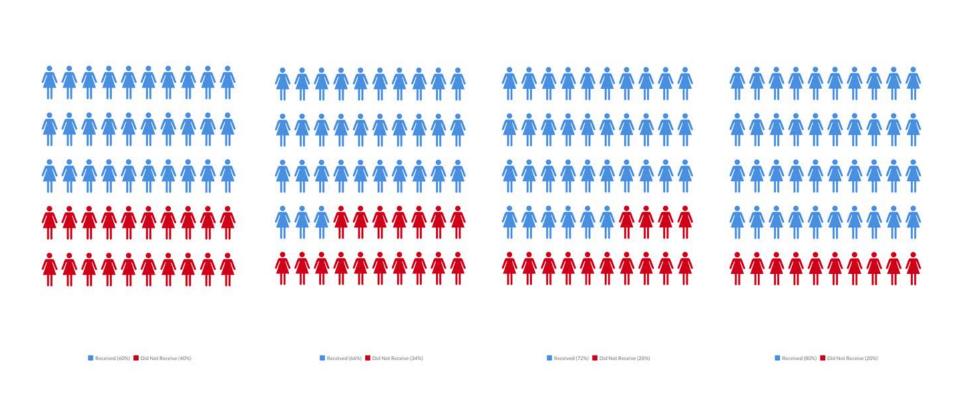
DHB will set performance improvement targets for groups experiencing a disparity, in addition to setting performance improvement targets for each health plan's total population. Disparity targets will be a 10% relative increase for the group of interest for at least two years AND until the gap between a group of interest and the overall population is less than a relative 10%

EXAMPLE: health plan B launched an equity initiative to improve vaccination rates.

- Health plan B provides flu vaccines to 65% of all eligible patients (650/1000).
- 70% of their white patients (350/500) get the flu vaccine.
- 60% (300/500) of their Black patients get the flu vaccine.
- Because of the disparity, health plan B needs to increase performance within the black population by 10% to 66% (330/500) the next year.

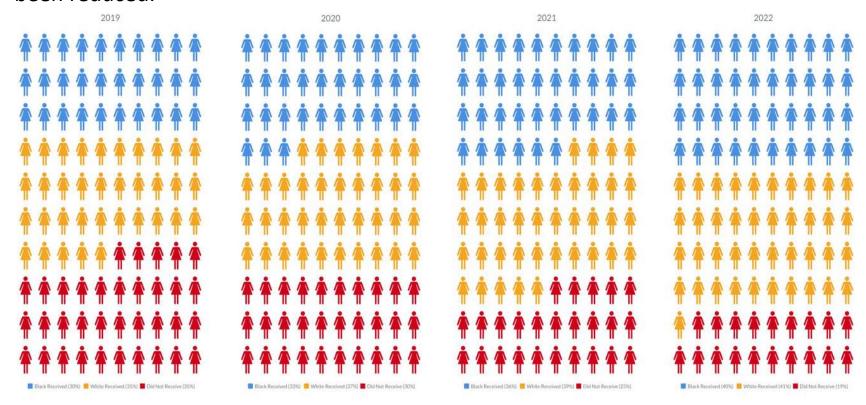
#### **Incremental Disparity Targets**

Each year the proportion of Black patients in health plan B that receive the flu vaccine increases by 10%. Each blue icon represents 10 vaccinated patients. Performance within health plan B's Black population goes from 60% (300/500) in 2019 to 80% (400/500) in 2022.



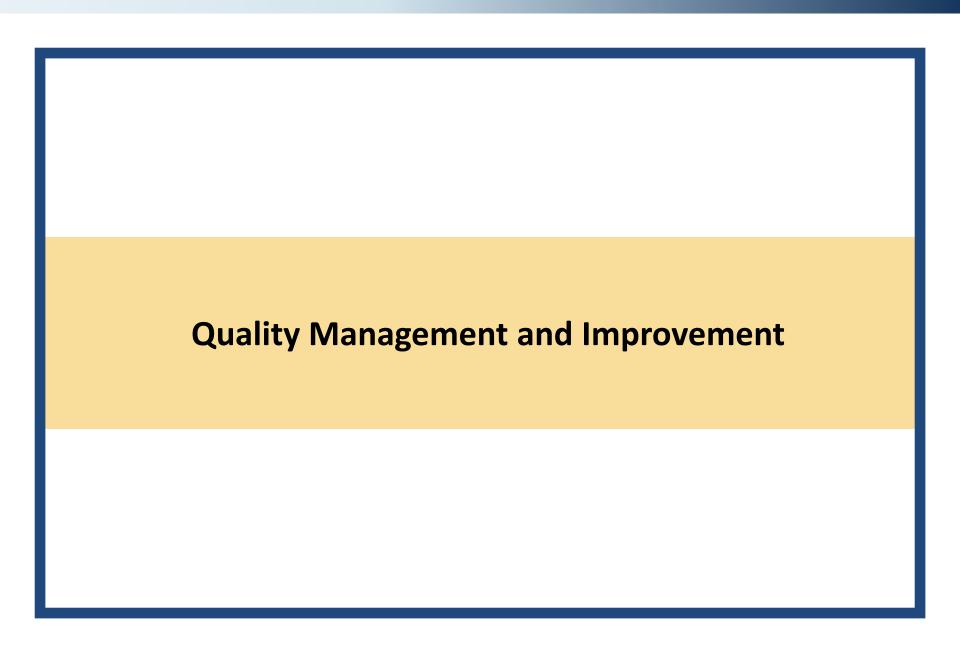
#### **Combining Overall and Disparity Targets**

Each year the proportion of Black beneficiaries in health plan B that receive the flu vaccine (blue icons) increases by 10% while the proportion of white beneficiaries that receive the flu vaccine (orange icons) increases by 5%. Health plan B's performance goes from 65% (650/1000) in 2019 to 81% (810/1000) in 2022 and the disparity has been reduced.



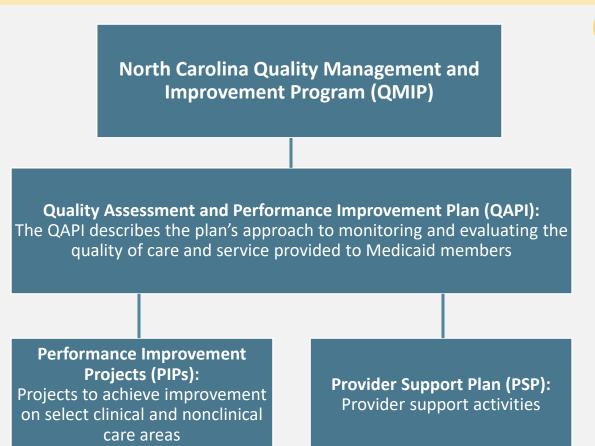
#### **Additional Details**

- For the third managed care plan year and beyond, the Department may adjust the benchmarking methodology based on information gathered in the first two years.
- Using state-level, program-specific data to inform the benchmark will be more reflective of the state's strengths and quality improvement needs than benchmarks derived from national data.
- Measures will be risk-adjusted where appropriate based on the specifications of each measure.



#### **Quality Management and Improvement Program (QMIP)**

Managed care plans shall have a robust Quality Management and Improvement Program (QMIP) that will focus on health outcomes, rather than only health care process measures.



The Department's **Commitment to Health Equity:** Promoting health equity through reduction of health disparities will be a focus within North Carolina's OMIP. Managed care plans will identify disparities and implement interventions through their population health management programs to reduce disparities.

### **Performance Improvement Projects**

#### Standard Plans and BH I/DD Tailored Plans are required to conduct PIPs that:

- Are designed to achieve significant improvement, sustained over time, in health outcomes and enrollee satisfaction;
- Include measurement of performance using objective quality indicators;
- Include implementation of interventions to achieve improvement in access to and quality of care;
- Include evaluation of the effectiveness of the interventions; and
- Include planning and initiation of activities for increasing or sustaining improvement.





#### **Performance Improvement Project Standardization**

- Alignment of Performance Improvement Projects (PIPs) statewide for all Prepaid Health Plans (health plans)
- 3 PIPs standardized in Contract Year 1
  - 1 Clinical Adult PIP Comprehensive Diabetes Care: HbA1C
     Poor Control (>9.0%)
  - 1 Clinical Child PIP Childhood Immunization Status CIS (Combo 10)
  - 1 Clinical Maternal Health PIP Prenatal and Postpartum care measure focused on Timeliness of Prenatal Care
- PIPs support Quality Strategy Aims, Goals and Objectives

#### **Provider Support Plan**

#### Each plan must develop a report detailing:



All planned technical support activities.



Detailed information regarding how its proposed provider supports activities will advance the aims, goals, and objectives outlined within the Department's Quality Strategy.



An overview of which metrics the Plan will use to evaluate its provider engagement progress over time.

# Technical Assistance and Practice Support: Area Health Education Centers (AHEC)

AHEC will provide training and practice-level technical assistance for the transition to managed care, with a focus on safety net/essential and rural providers.

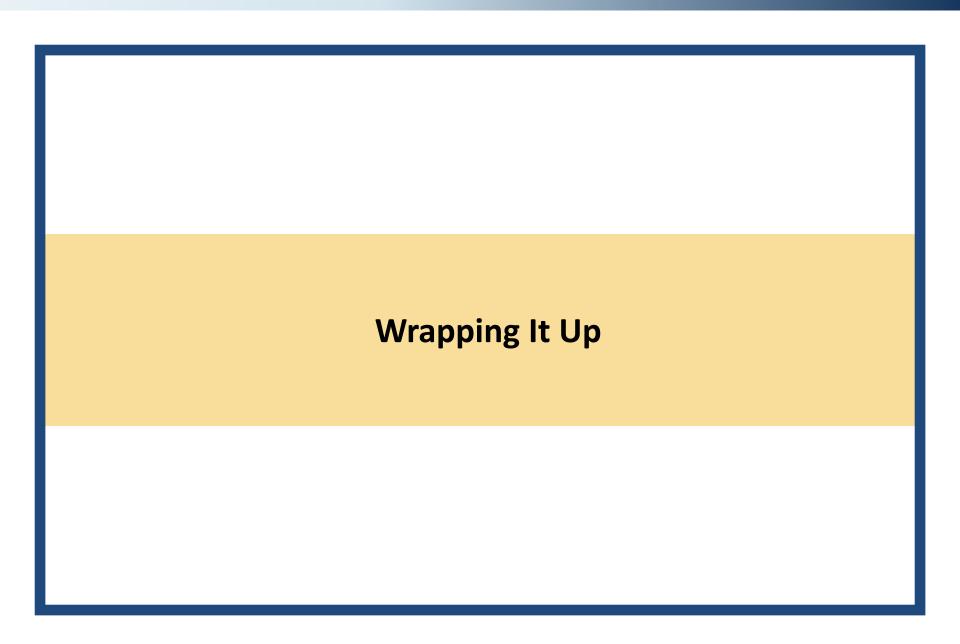
- Prior to Launch: AHEC will provide targeted training assistance to ensure providers are prepared to participate in Medicaid transformation initiatives.
- Prior to Launch: AHEC hosts Fireside Chats.
- Prior to Launch: AHEC leads the AMH Coaching Program.
- After Launch: AHEC will provider state-level webinars that highlight Statewide PIPs.
- After Launch: AHEC will host events and support health plan Regional Quality Forums.
- After Launch: AHEC will continue AMH Coaching Support.

We're here to help!!!



#### **Provider Feedback Loop on Quality Improvement**

**Quality Forum Invitees** Raise Local Primary Care Physicians and Challenges Advanced Medical Homes (all Tiers) Obstetric/Gynecological **Providers Behavioral Health Providers Exchange Best Local Health Departments Practices** School-based Health Centers Hospitals Long-term Services and **Supports Agencies** Clinical Integrated Networks Local Department of Social Service (DSS) Other relevant stakeholders **Annual Quality Quarterly Clinical** based on the agenda and goals Leadership Forum of the Forum



#### What Should Providers Do Now?

- Pay attention to your contracts—are you agreeing to reasonable targets?
- Start looking at your performance on the quality metrics now---get them from CCNC.



- Focus on the "at risk" metrics coming down the road. Ask
   CCNC or AHEC for help.
- If you didn't document it, it didn't happen.
- Connect to the Health Information Exchange (HIE).
- Communicate with us!
- Panel management.







# Healthy Opportunities Screening, Assessment and Referral Payment (HOSAR) Overview

- Effective January 1, 2021, NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice is <u>temporarily</u> covering Healthy Opportunities screenings to encourage providers to gain capacity for screening Medicaid beneficiaries for unmet health-related resource needs and referring them to appropriate community-based resources prior to the launch of Medicaid managed care.
  - Current Carolina Access (CAII) providers are eligible to bill code G9919 for positive healthy opportunities screenings using the Department's standardized screening questions. Coverage of this code will continue through June 30, 2021; continued coverage after managed care launch will be at the discretion of PHPs.

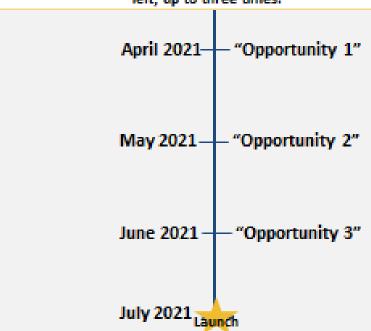
## **AMH Tier 3 Glide Path Payments**

DHHS will implement a new \$8.51 PMPM payment stream to AMH Tier 3 practices <u>90 days</u> <u>prior to the launch of Managed Care</u> to assist with and incent Tier 3 preparation

# Tier 3 Glide Path Payment Eligibility Criteria

- AMH Tier 3 within NC Tracks
- Contracting completed with at least two PHPs
- Data exchange testing successfully completed with at least two PHPs
- Practice has completed attestation in NC Tracks provider portal that items 2-3 complete.

DHHS will release additional details on the above criteria prior to launch. Payments will flow to practices in the same way as current CA II
Payments. Qualifying practices will receive \$8.51 PMPM direct from
NC Tracks for each month in which they meet the conditions shown at
left, up to three times.



#### Medicaid Managed Care Provider Directory and Health Plan Look Up Tool

The public version of the **Medicaid and NC Health Choice Provider and Health Plan Lookup Tool** is now available at: <a href="https://ncmedicaidplans.gov/">https://ncmedicaidplans.gov/</a>. Providers are encouraged to use this tool to confirm the availability and accuracy of information contained in their NCTracks provider enrollment record.

The provider directory contains all active Medicaid and NC Health Choice providers, including primary care providers, specialists, hospitals and organizations. The authenticated portal will be available to beneficiaries beginning March 1, 2021.

For more information, please visit <u>NC Provider Directory – Medicaid and NC Health Choice Provider and Health Plan Look Up Tool Now Available</u>.



# NC Medicaid Managed Care restart NC Medicaid Managed Care will start July 1, 2021. We will share more information soon, including when and how to choose a health plan. For now, keep getting Medicaid and NC Health Choice services the way you do now. To learn more, go to neither soo.

Get the free mobile app

You can get the free mobile app starting
March 1, 2021 on Google Play or the App
Store. We will share links to the app on this
awabite when it is ready.

But the app to find and view primary care
provides IPCPsI and health plans for you
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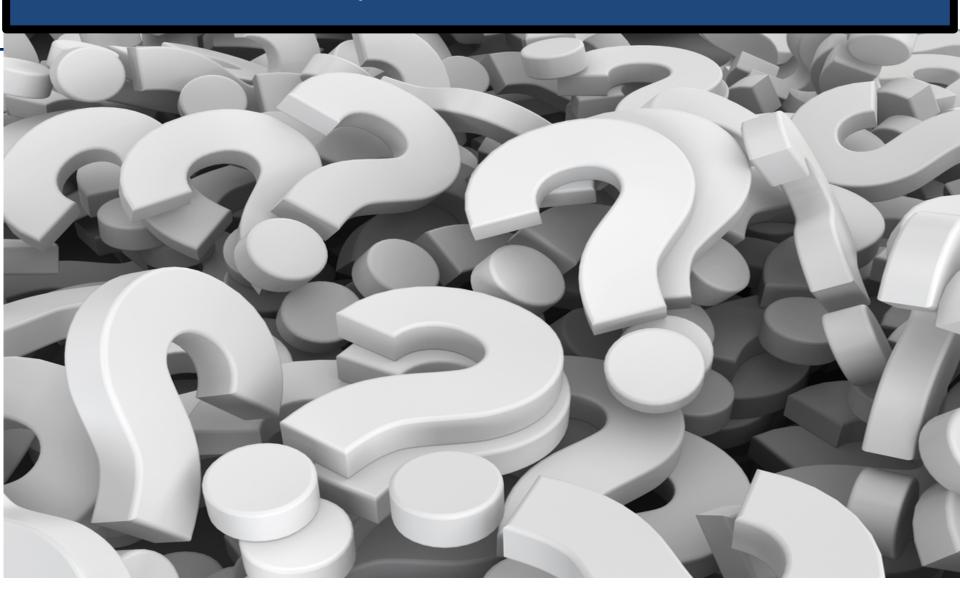
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Questions?

We can help. Our call center opens March 1, 2021.

Until then, you can get answers to common questions at Get answers.

# QUESTIONS?



# **Appendix**

#### **Standard Plan Measures: Adult**

Measure	NQF#	Measure Group	CY2019 NC Rate	CY2019 US Median	AMH Measure	PMP Measure	CMARC/ CMHRP Measure	Survey Measure
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Chlamydia Screening in Women (Total Rate) (CHL)	0033	Adult	58.22	58.44	Х			
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Controlling High Blood Pressure (CBP)	0018	Adult	-	61.8	Х			
Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness	0576							
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Plan All-Cause Readmissions - Observed to expected ratio (PCR)	1768	Adult	0.93	-	Х			
Use of Opioids at High Dosage in Persons Without Cancer (OHD)	2940	Adult	-	-				

#### **Standard Plan Measures: Pediatric**

Measure	NQF#	Measure Group	CY2019 NC Rate	CY2019 US Median	AMH Measure	PMP Measure	CMARC/ CMHRP Measure	Survey Measure
Adolescent Well-Care Visit (AWC)*		Pediatric	43.4	57.18	х			
Childhood Immunization Status (Combination 10) (CIS-CH)	0038	Pediatric	35.02	37.47	х		х	
Percentage of Low Birthweight Births	N/A	Pediatric	11.5	9.5				
Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness	0576							
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## **Standard Plan Measures: Maternity and Other**

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Percentage of Low Birthweight Births (modified measure)	N/A	Maternity	11.5	9.5		Х	Х	
Prenatal and Postpartum Care (Both Rates) (PPC)	1517					Х	х	
Timeliness of Prenatal Care		Maternity	35.53	89.05		x	х	
Postpartum Care		Maternity	68.77	76.40		х	х	
Pregnancy Tobacco Screening and Cessation	N/A	Maternity	-	-				
Rate of Screening for Pregnancy Risk	N/A	Maternity	77.5	-		Х		
Rate of Screening for Unmet Resource Needs	N/A	Other	-	-				
Total Cost of Care	N/A	Other	-	-	Х			

### **Medicaid Quality: Public Reporting of Performance**

- Annual Quality Report—DHHS will share plan-level rates for the quality measures, to facilitate comparison among plans.
- Quality Rating Scale (QRS)—Member-Facing Plan Report Cards (development in 2021-2022).
- **Health Equity Report**—DHHS will assess disparities in care and outcomes and publish a report summarizing areas or care in which disparities have improved, persisted, or developed.
- **Provider Survey Results**—DHHS, in partnership with a third party, will field a survey to providers assessing their satisfaction with the health plan(s) with which they have contracted. The Department will publish overall satisfaction rates and other findings from this survey.
- **Member Survey Results**—DHHS, in partnership with a third party, will field surveys to assess patient experience in receiving care.
- Network Accessibility Reports-- DHHS, in partnership with a third party, will evaluate network adequacy—a
  combination of provider availability, realized member utilization, and patient perception of availability.
- Accreditation Progress and Results—DHHS will publish health plan progress toward receiving this accreditation and
  will report the accreditor's findings for each health plan during its accreditation process.
- **Evaluation Results**—DHHS will publish results of monitoring and eval with our external evaluation vendor as well as results of other targeted evaluation (telehealth).
- **EQRO Reports**—DHS will publish results of annual evaluation of health plan performance from our external quality review organization.

# Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Plan: Components

The Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) plan must include the following elements:

#### **Performance Measures**

#### **Mechanisms to Assess**

#### **Additional Plans**

#### **Table including:**

- Measures performance against state benchmarks
- Measures stratified as directed by DHB
- Measures of focus for performance/quality improvement (all measures less than DHB-target must be addressed in the QAPI)

**Under/Overutilization**: Managed care plans must provide feedback on quality scoring results to each AMH practice

**Special Health Care Needs**: Assess the quality and appropriateness of care for members with special health care needs

LTSS: Assess the quality and appropriateness of care including assessment of care between settings, services/supports received vs in the member's treatment/service plan, detect and remediate critical incidents including LTSS services and programs

**Disparities:** Assess and process for identifying interventions to improve quality disparities based on age, race, ethnicity, sex, primary language, geography and by key population group

**Population Health**: mechanisms to incorporate population health programs targeted to improve outcome measures

**PIP**: Performance improvement projects (see next slide)

**Provider Support**: provider supports that relate to each PIP or quality improvement effort