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CMSS ITG: NQRN Update and Discussion

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NQRN: A Learning Hub for Registry Stewards

The National Quality Registry Network (NQRN®) is a voluntary network of organizations operating registries and others interested in increasing the usefulness of clinical registries to measure and improve patient health outcomes.

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Registries Hub
# NQRN Steering Committee

**Co-chairs: David Shahian, MD, Lewis Sandy, MD**

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AMA professional staff: Kathleen Blake, MD, MPH, Dana Richardson, RN, MHA, Seth Blumenthal, MBA
More than 80 organizations participate in the NQRN Council

- Organizations creating or supporting registries
- Hospitals & health systems, physician practices
- Federal, state government
- Health plans and employers
- Researchers
- Organizations providing supporting infrastructure, informaticists
- Organizations representing consumers, public

NQRN Council
NQRN Learning Activities

Leading Practices Webinars

2015 to date:
- The Swedish registries
- Registry of Patient Registries (RoPR)
- Watch for announcements on the next webinars in the series!

2014:
- Vendor selection
- Data security
- Participant recruitment
- Device surveillance

2013:
- Quality Oncology Practice Initiative (QOPI)
- National Cardiology Data Registry (NCDR)

Conferences

2015 annual meeting:
- Uses of registry information including QI collaboratives and value-based payment
- Measure development
- Public reporting

2014 annual meeting
- HIPAA and the Common Rule grey area for registries
- Electronic quality measures (eCQMs) accelerating the ability of registries to improve outcomes
- Early learnings from CMS Qualified Clinical Data Registries

2013 meeting: Maturational Framework
- Advance a clinical registry maturational framework to evaluate registry capabilities
Learning Resources:
- NQRN meeting presentations
- Webinar recordings
- Registry inventory
- QCDR guide
- “What is a registry?”
- Maturational framework public version
- Registry FAQ
- Registry vendor assessment
- Additional information about NQRN

Collaboration Portal:
Ask questions and get answers on registry related topics. Collaborate with your colleagues on new NQRN resources!
## 2015 – 2017 Strategic Goals

### Connect, Collaborate, Facilitate

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• **Objective A:** Resources to assist registry organizations  
• **Objective B:** Measure how well NQRN meets participants’ needs  
• **Objective C:** Help participants network, and share leading practices |
| **Goal 2:** Encourage active participation in registries by physicians, other health care professionals, hospitals, health systems and patients |  
• **Objective A:** Promote registries to external audiences  
• **Objective B:** Support the QCDR program |
| **Goal 3:** Support the increased use of registries by health plans, employers, patients, consumers, federal and state government by increasing their value for these stakeholders |  
• **Objective A:** Support public reporting using  
• **Objective B:** Assist organizations operating or planning registries in evaluating registry maturity |
| **Goal 4:** Advocate for a supportive regulatory environment and interoperability |  
• **Objective A:** Assist registries in supporting multiple uses while protecting privacy through compliance  
• **Objective B:** Promote interoperability |
| **Goal 5:** Educate policymakers and the public about the unique capabilities of clinical registries |  
• **Objective A:** Federal government representatives participate in NQRN committees and meetings  
• **Objective B:** Create or disseminate information about registries reaching a broad audience |
| **Goal 6:** Secure external funding to achieve the goals of the NQRN and ensure long term sustainability |  
• **Objective A:** Create a sustainable business plan  
• **Objective B:** Seek grant and sponsorship opportunities |
Join the NQRN!

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