

# Principles and Criteria for Measure Selection

Bruce Spurlock, MD | Hospital Quality Measures Expert & HCAI Consultant 10:25 – 11:30

## What are the committee's next steps?

Context-setting

Establish principles and criteria for measure selection

Recommend measures



## Example: National Quality Forum

"Criteria for evaluation" to assess measures for endorsement:

- ☐ Importance to measure and report (evidence, performance gaps, priority)
- ☐ Scientific acceptability of measure properties
- ☐ Feasibility
- ☐ Usability and use
- ☐ Related and competing measures



Source: <a href="https://www.qualityforum.org/measuring">https://www.qualityforum.org/measuring</a> performance/submitting standards/measure evaluation criteria.aspx



## Other Inputs

Priority areas outlined in AB 1204

- Patient-centered care
- Patient safety
- Addressing patient social determinants of health
- Effective treatment
- Care coordination
- Access to care

- Need for speed
- Start small
- Align with other statewide efforts?

Other opportunities Top 10 disparities



the committee

## Additional Considerations for the Advisory Committee

- Short time frame to recommend to HCAI December 2022
- Implementation burden for measures is ambiguous
- Actionability is unknown need to avoid unintended consequences

#### **Questions**

- Does starting with a limited measure set make sense?
  - Can we expand in the future with existing bill language?
- Should we use existing measures rather than act as a measure developer?
  - Can we leverage federal requirements for hospitals as appropriate?
- Should the report and data submission be simple initially, adding sophistication as experience and utility become clear?

## "Top 10 disparities"...How do you eat an elephant?

## **Current State:** Impediments to Equity

- Impact of racism and discrimination
- Inadequate integration of social determinants of health
- Lack of reliable health care data for BIPOC
- Lack of trust in the health care system

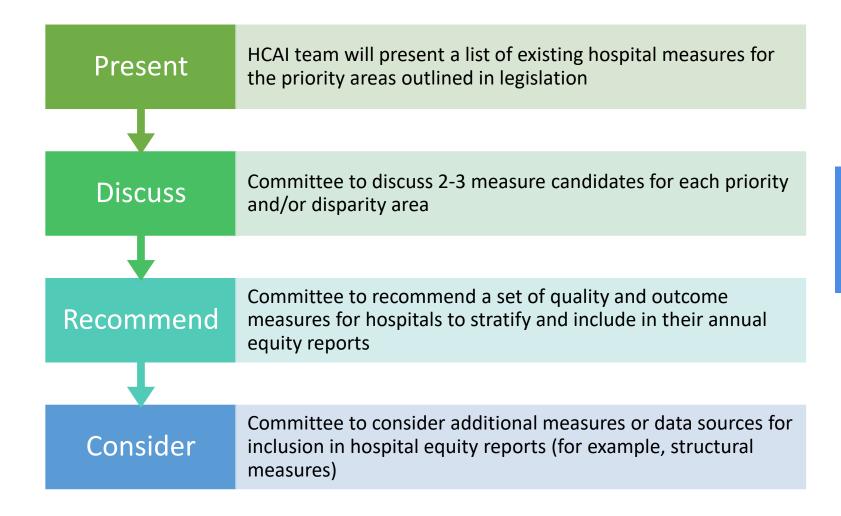
**Source:** https://nam.edu/an-equity-agenda-for-the-field-of-health-care-quality-improvement/

## Future State: Strategies to Improve Equity

- Increase patient trust and involvement
- Increase community engagement and truly valuing the health of populations
- Reward organizations for equity
- Improve data
- New measurement strategies
- Improve leadership and culture



### Defining the measure selection process



Committee Feedback: What suggestions do you have?





Our guiding principles — How will we assess measures for recommendation?

