

# Agenda II: Roadmap Review

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# AB 1204 Legislative Intent

- Recognizes disparate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and need for further data on access, quality, and outcomes of care.
- Data could be used to analyze these disparities by age, sex, race, ethnicity, language, disability status, sexual orientation, gender identity, payor, and socioeconomic status.
- Data would contribute to well-informed health policy and public health response and would improve the overall health of individuals and communities in the state.

# Hospital Statutory Requirements: Annual Equity Reports - Administrative Aspects

- All hospitals that meet the definition of “Hospital” under 127371(d) are subject to the Medical Equity Disclosure Act.
- Posted on the hospital website including the words “Equity Report”
- First reports due September 30, 2025\*
- Hospital systems, with more than one hospital, must submit an equity report that is disaggregated at the individual hospital level and aggregated across all hospitals in the system.

\*Note: Due dates are set per statute as the CMS Health Equity Measures were finalized in August 2022.

# Hospital Statutory Requirements: Annual Equity Reports – Health Equity Plan

- Plan to achieve disparity reduction for disparities identified in the data.
- Includes measurable objectives and specific timeframes in which disparities identified need to be addressed.^
- Addresses the 10 widest disparities in health care quality for vulnerable populations^ in terms of access, or outcomes and performance across all the 6 priority areas.

^ as recommended by the Advisory Committee

# Statutory Requirements: Advisory Committee

## MEASURES DEVELOPMENT

- Make recommendations on the appropriate measures that hospitals are required to report in their annual equity reports. (**Due December 31, 2022\***)

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# Statutory Requirements: Advisory Committee

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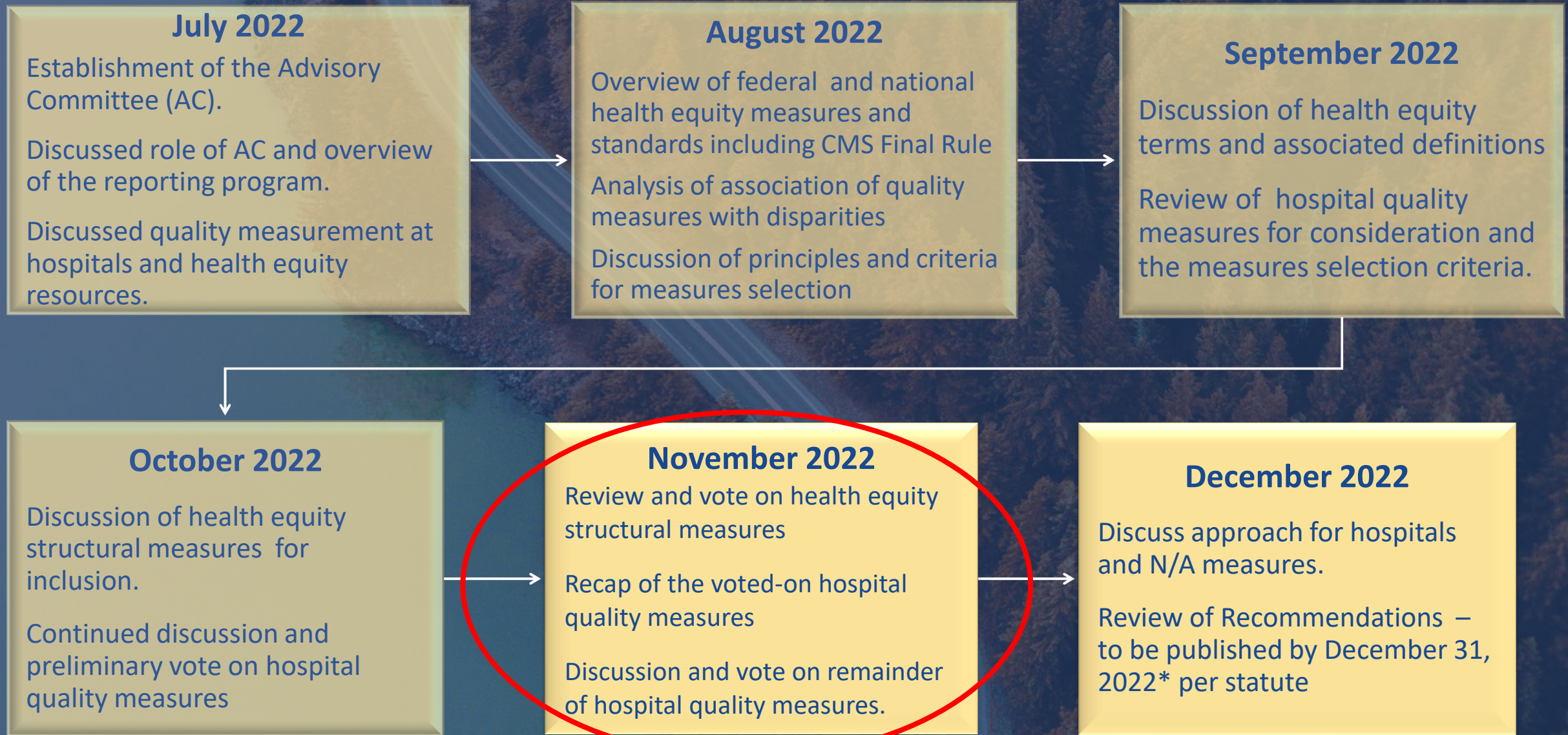
## HEALTH EQUITY PLANS

- Advise in identifying the 10 widest disparities in health care quality for vulnerable populations, in terms of access or outcome and priority performance areas
- Provide recommendations on the measurable objectives and specific timeframes in which disparities for vulnerable populations identified in the data need to be addressed.
- After first year reporting make a second set of recommendations regarding the submitted hospitals' health equity plans. (Due September 30, 2027\*)

# Statutory Requirements: HCAI

- Convene and staff advisory committee
- Build out regulations that establish a reporting schedule and format for collection of reports including the measures that will need to be applied to the reports
- Establish a system to collect and annually post reports on the HCAI website
- Annually post a report that identifies hospitals that did not submit equity reports
- Provide technical assistance to hospitals in applying the measures as specified in the regulations

# Hospital Equity Measures 2022 Roadmap





# Hospital Equity Measures 2023 Roadmap

## February 2023

Recap of 2022 meetings

Discussion on identification of disparities in the data and approaches for reduction

Data stratification discussion

*Topics of interest from the Committee*

## April 2023

Recap of February 2023 meeting

Discussion on report formats

Discussion of measures evaluation process

*Topics of interest from the Committee*

## August 2023

Recap of April 2023 meeting.

Regulations Workshopping - data collection, submission, and reporting.

*Topics of interest from the Committee*

## October 2023

Recap of August 2023 meeting

Discussion on technical assistance to hospitals

Preview plan for 2024

*Topics of interest from the Committee*

## December 2023 (if needed)

Recap of 2023 activities

Review and confirm plan for 2024

*Topics of interest from the Committee*

## January to December 2024

Establish regulations to specify reporting requirements

Outreach to hospitals to prepare for first annual submission

Continue meeting with Health Care Equity Measures Advisory Committee

# Hospital Equity Measures 2024 to 2027 Roadmap



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# Scope of the Committee

- Make recommendations to the HCAI Director on the appropriate measures that hospitals are required to report in their annual equity reports.
- Provide recommendations to the HCAI Director on the measurable objectives and specific timeframes in which disparities for vulnerable populations identified in the data need to be addressed.
- Advise HCAI Director in identifying the 10 widest disparities in health care quality for vulnerable populations, in terms of access or outcome and priority performance areas.
- After first year reporting make a second set of recommendations to the HCAI Director regarding the submitted hospitals' health equity plans. (Due September 30, 2027\*)