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AAHD - Dedicated to better health for people with disabilities through health promotion and wellness

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RE: NQF MAP 202 Proposed Measures

The American Association on Health and Disability (AAHD) (www.aahd.us) is a national non-profit organization of public health professionals, both practitioners and academics, with a primary concern for persons with disabilities. The AAHD mission is to advance health promotion and wellness initiatives for persons with disabilities.

AAHD is an active member of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities (CCD) task force on long-term services and supports (LTSS). AAHD represents the CCD task force on the NQF workgroup on persons dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid.

AAHD particularly appreciates NQF recognition of the need for measures in the following areas:

Discharge planning and communication: pages 17, 42, 44, 46, 63, 64, 97

“Care” planning: pages 19, 73

Consumer experience: pages 18, 19, 72

Health literacy: page 46

Mobility functioning: pages 48, 49

Self care functioning: page 49

Cognitive impairments: page 64

Children: page 68

Consumer counseling: page 71

Quality of life: page 74

Communication and shared decision-making: page 91

Falls prevention: pages 33, 42

Use of medication: pages 45, 67, 75, 94

Mental health screening and treatment: pages 69, 93

Substance use disorder screening and treatment: pages 47, 52, 54, 56, 76, 78, 79

We encourage NQF to adopt these measures and further encourage CMS to use them. Collective and comprehensive implementation should improve the lives of persons with disabilities and enhance health plan and provider accountability for improving the lives of persons with disabilities.

Thank you for considering our views.

Sincerely,



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