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# Join this Stakeholder Alliance to Shape the Future of Quality Medication Use ~ Top 10 Reasons to be Engaged with POA ~

- 1. PQA is recognized as the consensus-based, multi-stakeholder organization that develops measures of safe and appropriate medication use and medication management services.
- 2. PQA measures can and are being used by CMS and other public-payor settings.
  - PQA-endorsed measures are used by CMS in the Medicare Part D Star Ratings Program and will be used in other public-payor settings, including Medicaid.
- 3. Have direct input into developing new measures.
  - PQA's membership, through active participation on its workgroups, has direct input into shaping new measure concepts. After a rigorous testing and validation process, the measures are voted on by PQA's entire membership for endorsement.
- 4. Opportunity to test measures, using internal data and analysis.
  - PQA's Performance Measurement team defines measure specifications and determines the field test parameters. Then, PQA members have the opportunity to test the measures before they are presented to its membership for voting, thus providing a unique opportunity for an organization to look internally at its own performance with measures that may be adopted by a public or private payor following endorsement.
- 5. A voice at national forums to discuss new and evolving models of care.
  - PQA provides its members with a voice at national forums discussing new and
    evolving models of care, and how performance measures will be incorporated into
    these new models. These forums include a seat at the Steering Committee of the
    National Priorities Partnership, active engagement with the National Quality Forum, a
    voice on the Measure Applications Partnership, and an active member on the Quality
    Alliance Steering Committee.
- 6. Access to, and use of PQA measures.
  - Members have access to, and use of PQA measures for non-commercial purposes, and for commercial use with the appropriate license.

## 7. Participate in innovative demonstration projects.

• PQA members participate in innovative demonstration projects, funded by PQA or outside organizations. Members also can collaborate with PQA on research or practice-based initiatives consistent with PQA's strategic plan.

#### 8. Numerous opportunities to stay abreast of current developments.

• PQA offers multiple opportunities for staying abreast of current happenings, including: the Annual Meeting; the Leadership Summit; monthly PQA Quality Forums delivered telephonically; and the *PQA Quality Connection* newsletter.

### 9. Sliding scale membership dues that meet the needs of large and small organizations alike.

 PQA's membership dues are offered on a sliding scale for non-profit and for-profit companies, pro-rated during the calendar year, and allows for up to four individuals within your organization to be actively involved in PQA's workgroups.

## 10. Technical support for measure implementation.

PQA's Senior Leadership Team, including its Performance Measurement Team, is
readily available to work with your organization to: understand the complexities of
calculating the measures; interpret the CMS Star Ratings; and to provide potential
solutions or connections to tools that can help an organization drive internal quality
improvement and performance improvement strategies.