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## Memo

**March 16, 2020**

**To:** NQF members  
**From:** NQF staff  
**Re:** Patient Safety, Fall 2019 Cycle: CDP Report

### Background

This report reflects the review of measures in the Patient Safety project. Measures in the Patient Safety portfolio target various patient safety events and practices across healthcare settings. In this review cycle, measures span several types of healthcare settings and are connected to important areas in patient safety, including medication reconciliation, hyperglycemia, bladder catheterization, and urinary tract infections.

The 23-person Patient Safety Standing Committee reviewed four measures. All four measures were recommended for endorsement.

### Recommended Measures:

- **NQF 0684** Percent of Residents with a Urinary Tract Infection (Long Stay) (CMS/Acumen)
- **NQF 0686** Percent of Residents Who Have/Had a Catheter Inserted and Left in Their Bladder (Long Stay) (CMS/Acumen)
- **NQF 2456** Medication Reconciliation: Number of Unintentional Medication Discrepancies per Medication Per Patient (Brigham and Women's Hospital)
- **NQF 3533e** Hospital Harm – Severe Hyperglycemia (CMS/IMPAQ International)

**The Committee requests comments on all measures.**

### NQF Member and Public Commenting

NQF members and the public are encouraged to provide comments via the online commenting tool on the draft report as a whole, or on the specific measures evaluated by the Patient Safety Standing Committee.

**Please note that commenting concludes on May 14, 2020 at 6:00 pm ET—no exceptions.**