



2024 Quality Pool Distribution Plan Template

Due: October 9, 2024

Purpose

Exh. B, Pt. 10, Sec. 4, Para. e in the 2023 Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) describes the requirement for each CCO to create a written distribution plan for its Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings. The CCO must also make its plan publicly available. The purpose of the plan is to inform the CCO's Participating Providers, including Social Determinants of Health and Equity (SDOH-E) and public health partners, about CCO strategies and processes for distribution of Quality Pool funds.

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has developed this reporting template to ensure CCOs meet the contract requirements and to give Participating Providers and other interested parties clear and consistent information about CCO strategies for Quality Pool distribution.

Instructions

The CCO must answer all questions in this template to satisfy the contract requirements. Supporting materials and links may be provided, but they must only supplement the answers provided in the template document. A person reading the CCO's responses provided in this template should have a clear and complete picture of the CCO's Quality Pool distribution, without reliance on any other sources.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific question, this template pertains only to Quality Pool funds received in 2024 (Distribution Year 2024) for achievement of 2023 incentive metrics (Measurement Year 2023).

All references to "Quality Pool" within this template include both Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings.

Process

The completed Quality Pool Distribution Plan template is due to OHA via the CCO Contract Deliverables [Portal](#) by October 9, 2024. (The submitter must have an OHA account to access the portal). The CCO must also make the completed template publicly available on its website.

OHA will review the submitted template for completeness. If any response is found to be incomplete, OHA will send a written request for additional information to the CCO contact person listed on the template. The CCO will then have 30 days to provide the requested additional information.

Questions?

Any questions about the template should be directed to metrics.questions@odhsoha.oregon.gov.

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Contract Number: 161754

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1. Provide an overview of the methodology and/or strategy your CCO uses to distribute Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings to Participating Providers, including SDOH-E and public health partners.

Advanced Health utilizes a multifaceted approach to distribute Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings among Participating Providers, including Social Determinants of Health and Equity (SDOH-E) and public health partners. When determining the monetary value for each measure, several factors are considered: the complexity of the measure, the gap between current CCO performance and target benchmarks, past performance, and the size of the specific population associated with the measure.

The Clinical Advisory Panel (CAP) plays a pivotal role in this process by recommending the value of each measure and identifying the organization responsible for meeting the criteria or influencing performance. These recommendations are then presented to the Advanced Health Board of Directors and the Advanced Health equity members, who make the final decision on payment allocations to contracted provider organizations, SDOH-E, and public health partners.

2. Describe your CCO's process for evaluating the contributions of Participating Providers and how they may qualify for CCO distribution of Quality Pool earnings.

Advanced Health assesses the contributions of providers and organizations on a measure-by-measure basis. For measures tied to specific service requirements, such as office visits or screenings, the allocated funds are directed to the contracted provider organization delivering the services. However, for measures without a defined denominator population, or where paying for numerator services could create unintended incentives (e.g., the Cigarette Smoking Prevalence measure), the measure's value is distributed to organizations responsible for collecting or monitoring the data. Additionally, funds may be allocated to organizations engaged in quality improvement efforts across the healthcare ecosystem.

3. Does your CCO's distribution strategy consider payments made previously to Participating Providers (such as up-front funding to a clinic or non-clinical partner that is intended to help the CCO achieve metrics related to the Quality Pool)? If yes, please describe.

Advanced Health does not factor in previous payments made to participating providers when distributing Quality Pool earnings. The allocated amounts per quality metric remain unchanged regardless of any up-front funding provided to clinics or non-clinical partners to help achieve related metrics. However, Advanced Health does use prior year attribution methodology to guide the annual discussion on distribution.

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- 4. Describe any changes your CCO plans to make to its process for distributing Quality Pool funds in future years (beyond MY2023).**

As the focus shifts from downstream to upstream metrics in the evolving measure set, Advanced Health is actively exploring ways to distribute quality pool funds and integrate Value-Based Payment (VBP) models into that process. This approach aims to better support both clinical and non-clinical community partners who contribute to community quality improvement efforts and impact measure performance, whether directly or indirectly. By incorporating new approaches to rewarding performance, Advanced Health seeks to incentivize high-quality care and align financial rewards with the achievement of long-term health outcomes across the healthcare ecosystem.

- 5. Please provide a link to where the 2024 Quality Pool Distribution Plan (this document) will be publicly available on your CCO's website.**

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