The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) is seeking candidates for full time positions at varying levels of skills and experience to work on quality measurement research and implementation. Quality measurement is a cornerstone of national efforts to expand health care coverage, promote use of electronic health records, and test delivery system reform.

NCQA is a non-profit national quality oversight organization that measures and reports on the quality of care for providers and health plans. NCQA maintains the Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set® (HEDIS®), the industry standard for measuring health care quality. NCQA created and operates the most widely used program to assess patient-centered medical homes. We are looking for self-motivated individuals with master’s or doctoral degrees or equivalent experience in quality measurement, health information technology, health care policy, health economics, sociology, or medicine to participate in research, analysis and performance measurement projects.

Key areas include:

- **Quality Measurement in Electronic Health Records**: Through funds allocated in the stimulus package, doctors and hospitals can earn financial incentives for adopting and demonstrating “meaningful use” of electronic health records. A number of NCQA’s measures have been designated as “meaningful use” measures, and we are involved in several efforts to augment the number of measures available for this reporting by re-specifying existing measures for EHR reporting or developing new measures that build on the capabilities of electronic records.

- **Child Health**. The Child Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act calls for the development of new measures to assess the quality of pediatric care and for voluntary reporting of quality measures by state Medicaid and CHIP programs. NCQA leads one of the seven Centers of Excellence in the Pediatric Quality Measurement Program and we are also working with one of the state demonstration programs. Our work involves developing new measures and enhancing existing measures and we expect to focus on topics such as preventive care, care coordination and mental health. We may have opportunities to provide technical assistance with measurement to measure developers and to states.

- **Chronic disease, including behavioral health and geriatric concerns**. Federal efforts to report on quality of care for Medicare and Medicaid populations are increasing. NCQA leads quality measurement efforts for Special Needs Plans and Medicare Advantage plans and is developing quality measures in behavioral health, cancer care and other topics areas.

- **Patient Centered Medical Home and Accountable Care Organizations**. Efforts to demonstrate and evaluation new approaches to health care delivery are prominent in public and private sector health care reform efforts. We are developing a new accreditation program with performance measures for Accountable Care Organizations. We are interested in better understanding and promoting coordination between primary care and specialty care.

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