NCINQ will be leading a Depression Quality Improvement (QI) Collaborative beginning in summer 2018.

We are currently seeking plans and providers to participate in a two-year initiative aimed at improving depression care for adolescents.

Our overall goal is to improve health outcomes for children, adolescents, and their families through implementation of quality measures that best reflect value in health care delivery at every level of the health care system.

**Target Measures**

Our QI efforts will target several HEDIS measures that address the continuum of care for depression in adolescents. These depression measures are reported using data from electronic clinical data systems.

- Depression Screening and Follow-up for Adolescents and Adults
- Utilization of the PHQ-9 to Monitor Depression Symptoms for Adolescents and Adults
- Depression Remission or Response for Adolescents and Adults

**Requirements for Participation**

- Access to data to report measures
- Ability to connect with provider groups and networks for improvement

Health plans and provider groups will participate in QI activities, report out on results, attend bi-monthly web-based meetings and in-person learning sessions.

**Benefits of Participation**

- Learn best practices for adolescent depression management and engaging youth and families in QI work
- Receive training and resources to support quality improvement efforts
- Technical assistance on measures and benchmarking
- Honoraria for meeting participation requirements

**Anticipated Timeline**

- **August 2018 - July 2020**
  - Individual Monthly Coaching Calls with the NCINQ team
  - Bi-Monthly Sharing and Coaching Calls with all participants
  - Annual In-Person Learning Sessions

For more information or to participate in our Depression QI Collaborative, contact Cindy Manaoat (manaoat@ncqa.org) or visit [http://www.ncqa.org/hedis-quality-measurement/research/ncinq](http://www.ncqa.org/hedis-quality-measurement/research/ncinq)

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