



# National Collaborative for Innovation in Quality Measurement: Implementing and Improving



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



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

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