2026 Child and Adult Core Sets Annual Review: Meeting to Prepare for the Voting Meeting Transcript January 10, 2024, 2:00 – 3:00 PM ET

Talia Parker:

Hi, everyone. My name is Talia Parker, and I'm pleased to welcome you to the 2026 Child and Adult Core Sets Annual Review meeting to prepare for the 2026 review. Before we get started today, we wanted to cover a few technical instructions. If you have any technical issues during today's webinar, please send a message to "All Panelists" through the Q&A function located on the bottom-right corner of your screen. If you are having issues speaking during Workgroup or public comments, please make sure you are not also muted on your headset or phone. Connecting to audio using the computer audio or the "Call Me" feature in WebEx are the most reliable options. Please note that call-in-only users cannot make comments. If you wish to make comments, please make sure that your audio is associated with your name in the platform. All attendees of today's webinar have entered the meeting muted. There will be opportunities during the webinar for Workgroup members and the public to make comments. To make a comment, please use the "Raise Hand" feature in the lower-right corner of the participant panel. A hand icon will appear next to your name in the attendee list. You will hear a tone when you have been unmuted. Please wait for your cue to speak and remember to mute your line when vou are done speaking. Also, please lower your hand when you are finished speaking by following the same process you used to raise your hand. Note that the Chat is disabled for this webinar. Please use the Q&A feature if you need support. Closed captioning is available in the WebEx platform. To enable closed captioning, click on the "CC" icon in the lower-left corner of vour screen. You can also click "Control+Shift+A" on your keyboard to enable closed captioning. And with that, I will hand it over to Margo to get us started.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thank you, Talia. Next slide. Hi, everyone, and Happy New Year. My name is Margo Rosenbach, and I'm a Vice President at Mathematica. I direct Mathematica's Technical Assistance and Analytics Support Team for the Medicaid and CHIP Quality Measurement and Improvement Program, which is sponsored by the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services. It's my pleasure to welcome you to the meeting to prepare for the 2026 review of the Child and Adult Core Sets. Whether you're listening to the meeting live or listening to a recording, thank you so much for joining us. Next slide, please.

I'd like to provide an overview of today's meeting objectives. First, I will briefly discuss the strategy and criteria for assessing the suggested measures. Next, Chrissy will identify the measures that were suggested by Workgroup members for removal from or addition to the 2026 Child and Adult Core Sets. We won't be discussing specific measures today, but we will have plenty of time for these discussions during the voting meeting in four weeks. Then, Caitlyn will describe the resources available to Workgroup members for reviewing the measures and present the approach for the voting meeting. We have several opportunities throughout the meeting for Workgroup members to share comments or ask questions. We'll also provide an opportunity for public comment and wrap up with remarks from our two Co-Chairs, Kim Elliot and Rachel La Croix. So with that, let's get started. Next slide.

I'd like to acknowledge our Mathematica Core Sets Review Team. They're listed here. Since the Call for Measures closed on October 6th, they've been very busy gathering information on the measures suggested for addition and removal and also developing the materials for the Workgroup's review of those measures. Thank you, Team, for all your efforts. Next slide.

This slide and the next two slides list the members of the 2026 Child and Adult Core Sets Annual Review Workgroup. I won't be doing a roll call today in the interest of time, but we will take attendance based on the webinar participants list. I'd like to give a special thank you to Kim Elliot and Rachel La Croix for serving as our Co-Chairs. Next slide.

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And this slide shows the remaining Workgroup members. On this slide, I'd like to note that Bonnie Silva is new to the Workgroup. Bonnie was nominated by ADvancing States. Thank you, Bonnie, for joining the Workgroup. And thank you to all of the Workgroup members for your service. Next slide.

I'd also like to acknowledge the participation of federal liaisons in the Annual Review Process. The Workgroup includes representatives from AHRQ, CCSQ, CDC, HRSA, IHS, ASPE, ODPHP, SAMHSA, and Veterans Affairs. The inclusion of federal liaisons reflects CMCS's partnerships and collaboration with other agencies to ensure alignment across federal programs. Federal liaisons are non-voting members of the Workgroup, and we thank them for their participation in the Annual Review Process. I'd also like to recognize the support of staff in the Division of Quality and Health Outcomes in the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services. Next slide.

Now for a brief recap of our milestones for the 2026 Child and Adult Core Sets Annual Review. Today we are preparing for the voting meeting, which will be held February 6th and 7th. We'll convene the Workgroup to discuss and vote on the measures suggested for removal and addition. And after the voting meeting, we'll prepare the draft reports summarizing the Workgroup's recommendations and make the Draft Report available for public comment in April, and then, we'll release the Final Report in June. Following that, CMCS will review the Final Report and gather additional input and then release the 2026 Core Set updates. Next slide.

Now, we'll describe the Measure Review Strategy and the criteria. Next slide.

This side reflects information that CMCS has shared about the purpose of the Core Sets. Overall, the Core Sets are a tool to understand and advance access, quality, and equity. They can be used to identify and improve our understanding of health disparities experienced by Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries. And ultimately, the goal is to use Core Set data to develop quality improvement efforts to advance health equity. And so the charge to the Workgroup is to assess measures for removal and addition, to strengthen and improve the Child and Adult Core Sets for these purposes. Next slide.

As we've done in the past, we wanted to share this slide which highlights the balance that the Workgroup faces in assessing measures in terms of their feasibility, desirability, and viability. Our goal in this year's annual review is to optimize the overlap of these three elements: technical feasibility of collecting and reporting measures; desirability of measures, which relates to their actionability and strategic priority; and financial and operational viability, such as alignment across programs and state capacity for reporting. Next slide.

Before we discuss the criteria for the review, we'd like to mention additional considerations related to mandatory reporting. As you may know, beginning in 2024, reporting of all the Child Core Set measures and the Behavioral Health measures on the Adult Core Set will be required for all states. States must also adhere to Core Set reporting guidance issued by CMS. More information on the mandatory reporting requirements is available at the link provided. So we ask the Workgroup to consider the feasibility and viability for all states to report a measure for all their Medicaid and CHIP populations within two years of the measure being added to the Core Sets. We also asked the Workgroup to consider whether a measure could be stratified by such factors as race, ethnicity, sex, geography, age, disability, and language. Note that states will be required to report stratified data – stratified by race, ethnicity, sex, and geography – for a subset of mandatory measures beginning FFY 2025 Core Set reporting. Next slide.

Now I'll turn it over to Chrissy to review the criteria for the 2026 Review and present the list of measures suggested for removal and addition.

Chrissy, it's all yours.

Chrissy Fiorentini:

Thanks, Margo. Most of you have seen the criteria for considering measures during the 2026 Core Sets Review. In the interest of time, I will briefly review them now. The criteria fall into three categories: minimum technical feasibility requirements, actionability and strategic priority, and other considerations. As we mentioned during the orientation meeting, to be discussed by the Workgroup at the voting meeting, all measures must meet the minimum technical feasibility requirements. Next slide.

On this slide, we show the criteria for considering the measures suggested for removal. As we've discussed these criteria before, I won't read through them now. Workgroup members have a list of these criteria and should keep them in mind during the voting meeting discussions. Also, as a reminder, these slides are available on our website if you would like to review the criteria in detail there. Next slide.

On this slide, we show the criteria for addition starting with the minimum technical feasibility requirements. First, a measure must be fully developed and have technical specifications that enable production of the measure at the state level. It must have been tested in state Medicaid and CHIP programs or be in use by one or more Medicaid or CHIP programs. It must have an available data source or validated survey instrument that contains all required data elements needed to calculate the measure. The measure specifications and data source must allow for consistent calculations across states, and the measure technical specifications must be provided free of charge for state use in the Core Sets.

These criteria were developed to help ensure that if a measure is placed in the Core Sets, states are able to produce consistent state-level results for their Medicaid and CHIP populations. The Mathematica Team has assessed the suggested measures for adherence to these minimum criteria. I won't go over the other criteria in the interest of time; however, the Workgroup will be referring to these criteria as they prepare for the discussions during the voting meeting. Next slide.

I'm now going to provide a brief overview of the measures that Workgroup members suggested for removal from, or addition to, the 2026 Core Sets. I want to thank the Workgroup members for their time and efforts suggesting these measures. Next slide.

This slide lists the two measures suggested for removal and the two measures suggested for addition that will be reviewed during the voting meeting. The slide also lists the Core Set domain, measure stewards, and the data collection method. I will provide a summary of the measure characteristics in the next slide.

There are two measures suggested for removal from the Adult Core Set: Use of Opioids at High Dosage in Persons without Cancer, OHD-AD, in the Care of Acute and Chronic Conditions domain, and Initiation and Engagement of Substance Use Disorder Treatment, IET-AD, in the Behavioral Health Care domain. There are two measures suggested for addition to the Core Sets: Prenatal Depression Screening and Follow-Up, and Social Need Screening and Intervention. The Prenatal Depression Screening and Follow-Up measure is an NCQA ECDS measure that assesses the percentage of deliveries in which members were screened for clinical depression while pregnant and if screened positive, received follow-up care. The Social Need Screening and Intervention measure is also an NCQA ECDS measure. It assesses the percentage of members who were screened using prespecified instruments at least once during the measurement period for unmet food, housing, and transportation needs and received a corresponding intervention if they screened positive. Please note that the domains in Core Set placement for these two measures will be determined by CMS if they are added to the 2026 Child and Adult Core Sets. Next slide.

This slide summarizes the characteristics of the two measures suggested for removal and the two measures suggested for addition that will be reviewed at the voting meeting. One of the measures suggested for removal requires administrative data only, and one requires administrative or EHR data. Both of the measures suggested for addition use the ECDS data collection method, and both of the measures suggested for removal and both suggested for addition were originally specified for plan-level reporting. Next slide.

And with that, I'll turn it over to Margo to take questions from the Workgroup members.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thank you, Chrissy.

Are there any questions from Workgroup members? Remember to use the "Raise Hand" feature in the bottom-right of the participant panel to join the queue, and please lower your hand when you're done. You'll hear a tone when you've been unmuted. Do we have any questions from Workgroup members?

I'm not seeing any questions. We will have an opportunity for questions later on again when we're done with the presentation. Last call before we proceed? Okay, well, I'll turn it over to Caitlyn to describe the guidance to Workgroup members for reviewing measures.

Caitlyn?

Caitlyn Newhard:

Thank you, Margo. Next slide.

I'll now go over some guidance to Workgroup members on how to review the suggested measures and the resources available to assist you in that task. Next slide.

In preparation for the voting meeting, we ask that Workgroup members review all the measures suggested for removal from, or addition to the Core Sets. Tomorrow, we will e-mail Workgroup members a packet of materials to help assess each measure's appropriateness for the Core Sets. For returning Workgroup members, please note that we are not using SharePoint this year. As you go through your review, please keep the criteria for removal of existing measures and addition of new measures top-of-mind. We're also providing a measure review worksheet that Workgroup members can use to record and organize their notes, questions, and preliminary vote on each measure. Next slide.

The primary resource we've developed to help you review the measures are the measure information sheets. We have created a measure information sheet for each measure that was suggested for addition, or removal from, the Core Sets. The information sheets provide standardized information for each measure to facilitate your review. For measures for removal, these include technical specifications; the nominating Workgroup member's reason for removal; and other information, including measure alignment across programs. For the current measures, we also provide information on states' reporting history and any challenges noted by states in reporting the measure; and we include FFY 2022 measure rates and graphics. Since both measures suggested for removal have been discussed by the Workgroup previously, we've also summarized prior Workgroup discussions. We hope this will help Workgroup members build on the conversations we've had in the past. Next slide.

We also have measure information sheets for the two measures suggested for addition, which include many of the same elements as the measures for removal including technical information -- like numerators, denominators, and data collection method – as well as information on the measure's alignment with the minimum technical feasibility criteria. We've also noted whether the measure's data source allows for stratification by race, ethnicity, and other characteristics when that information is available. The measure information sheets include comments from the Workgroup members who suggested the measure on how the measure meets the feasibility, actionability, and strategic priority criteria. There is also information about the use of the measures in other programs, prevalence of the condition in Medicaid and CHIP, and links to more detailed information about the measures. We've also summarized prior Workgroup discussions for the Prenatal Depression Screening and Follow-Up measure. Again, our hope is that this will help the Workgroup build on conversation from previous years. Next slide.

When Workgroup members review the measures, we recommend starting with a review of the measure information sheets. You can use the measure review worksheet, which we will include in tomorrow's e-mail, to record notes and questions as you go through these. If you have guestions or want more background information on the measure or condition, we have a few other resources you can consult. First, the Medicaid and CHIP Beneficiary Profile can be used to locate more information on the characteristics and health status of Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries, the prevalence of certain conditions, and expenditures on different areas of care. The profile also includes a special section related to health-related social needs in the Medicaid and CHIP populations. We will include a link to the profile in your resource packet. We will also provide a link to the Core Sets History Table, which shows the year measures were added or removed over the history of the Core Sets. This can be a useful tool for seeing the longevity and turnover of measures. We will also link to the Chart Packs and Measure Performance Tables, which have more information on state reporting and measure rates and the resource manuals and technical specifications for the current Core Sets measures. We also encourage you to look back at some of the information we have shared during the Call for Measures, including the list of measures considered in previous years. Once you've found any additional information you

need, you can assess the measure against the criteria for addition, or removal, and record your preliminary vote in the measure review worksheet. Next slide.

Now I'll spend a few minutes discussing our approach to the voting meeting. Next slide.

Much like last year, we'll be holding a virtual meeting over two days, February 6th and 7th. The meeting will start at 11:00 a.m. Eastern each day to accommodate those joining from the West Coast, and we will plan to end by 4:00 p.m. Eastern each day. We will post an agenda one week before the meeting. Just like today's webinar, the voting meeting will be open to the public; and there will be opportunities for public comment. Registration is now available on our webpage. Next slide.

This year, there will be a total of four measures to discuss – two measures suggested for removal and two suggested for addition. We'll begin with the measures suggested for removal and then move on to the measures suggested for addition. And, as always, measures will be considered in their specified form, meaning we will discuss and vote on the measures as they are currently specified by the measure stewards without conditions or modifications. Next slide.

As for the voting process, voting will take place by measure after Workgroup discussion and public comment. For each measure for removal, a "Yes" vote means "I recommend removing the measure from the Core Set," and a "No" vote means, "I do *not* recommend removing the measure from the Core Set." Similarly for each measure for addition, Workgroup members will vote "Yes" or "No" where "Yes" means, "I recommend adding the measure to the Core Set," and "No" means, "I do *not* recommend adding the measure to the Core Set," and "No" means, "I do *not* recommend adding the measure to the Core Set," and "No" means, "I do *not* recommend adding the measure to the Core Set," and "No" means, "I do *not* recommend adding the measure to the Core Set." For a measure to be recommended for removal or addition, the "Yes" vote needs to receive two-thirds of eligible votes. Prior to the voting meeting, we will be providing a fact sheet to Workgroup members with more information on how to vote. Workgroup members will also have an opportunity to test out the voting platform, and we strongly encourage you try it out before the meeting. Next slide.

As always, the Workgroup will discuss gaps in the Core Sets at the voting meeting. The goal of the gaps discussion is to inform the Call for Measures for the next annual review cycle. In the past, the Call for Measures has been open only to Workgroup members and federal liaisons. Starting with the 2027 review cycle, we will hold a Public Call for Measures. This new process will allow members of the public to suggest measures for addition to the Core Sets. More details will be presented at the voting meeting next month. At the voting meeting, we will engage the Workgroup in a discussion about the priorities and criteria for the 2027 Public Call for Measures; and we will invite public comments on the priorities and criteria. Next slide.

Workgroup members, your homework to prepare for the voting meeting is to review the materials related to the measures suggested for removal, and addition, and to prepare for the discussion for the Public Call for Measures by reviewing the measure criteria and list of previously identified gaps. If you have any questions while reviewing the materials, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are more than happy to answer questions to help you prepare for the measures. Finally, a big thank you to our Workgroup members for taking the time to prepare and engage in this process. We're looking forward to an interesting discussion during the voting meeting in February. Next slide.

With that, I'll turn it over to Margo to take any final questions from Workgroup members.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thanks, Caitlyn. This is our last opportunity today for Workgroup questions. If you have a question, please use the "Raise Hand" feature in the bottom-right of the participant panel to join the queue and lower your hand when you are done. You'll hear a tone when you've been unmuted. Do we have any questions from Workgroup members?

Okay, Rich Antonelli, you're first.

Rich Antonelli:

Hi, Happy New Year. As always, Mathematica Team, it's just wonderful with how you've organized things. Margo, it caught my attention when you mentioned in FFY 2025 there would be measures that are going to be stratified. I don't know whether this will be in the information we'll be receiving tomorrow or not, but it will help me to know this. Are the data elements for which that stratification is going to proceed -- are they known? Are they uniform? Would they be relevant to our consideration of the new measures?

Margo Rosenbach:

That's a great question, Rich. And, yes, we will provide information when we send out the packet tomorrow about where you can find it in the State Health Official Letter. We did send a link in this slide deck, but we'll reiterate that in what we send about what CMS has released in the 2024 SHO, the State Health Official Letter, about what the requirements are for stratification.

So that's a great question; and, yes, we'll make that also quite transparent during the presentation next month. So thank you for that. If you have any questions, please do feel free to follow up after you receive the packet tomorrow.

Rich Antonelli:

Thank you. Just an acknowledgement to our colleagues at CMCS – thank you for this. The ability to look at measures now in the context of stratification is so incredibly exciting and important. So thanks, everyone.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thank you, Rich.

Joy Burkhard?

Joy Burkhard:

Quick question, are we also not limited to the number of measures that we recommend this year like last year?

Margo Rosenbach:

When you say recommend this year-

Joy Burkhard:

The number of measures that we're limited to recommending or including in our recommendations?

Margo Rosenbach:

I'm not following your question because I don't believe there was a limit. Are you talking about a call for measures, or are you talking about the voting?

Joy Burkhard:

The voting -- the voting, and I'm sorry. What I'm trying to say is last year there was *not* a limit. Is that also the case this year?

Margo Rosenbach:

True, yes, there will be a vote on four measures. So there will not be a limit on the number that the Workgroup could recommend. And as I think we've mentioned, there will be a process after the Workgroup recommendations are made where CMS will review those recommendations with federal liaisons and other interested parties; and there will be a process that CMS uses to decide the updates to the 2026 Core Sets. But in terms of the recommendations, it's based on a two-thirds vote of eligible Workgroup members.

Joy Burkhard:

Thank you, just appreciate that clarification and confirmation.

Thanks, everyone, looking forward to the meeting.

Margo Rosenbach:

Sure, thank you. Other questions?

Do we have any other Workgroup members with questions before we move on to public comment?

David Kelly?

David Kelly:

Hello, can you hear me?

Margo Rosenbach:

We can.

David Kelly:

Okay, thanks again so much to the Mathematica Team for putting all of this together. A question on - because there *are* only four measures I think historically, this is a low for us in reviewing. Do we think we're going to be able to fill the agenda for two days, and just wondering about the

logistics of that – not that it's really important, but I'm sure that we do discuss other topics, like the gaps and recommendations for improvement in the process. So just curious, I think in the past we've handled a much larger number of both additions and deletions, so just curious about that.

Margo Rosenbach:

That's a great point, David. So, the way we're thinking about doing this is that on the first day we will review three measures – the OHD measure and the IET measure, both of which are suggested for removal. And, we will discuss each one, do public comment on each one individually, and then vote on each one individually. And then also on the first day, we would discuss the Prenatal Depression Screening and Follow-Up measure. And likely, we would not go to four o'clock based on the current agenda; so you might have a slightly shorter day.

And then on the second day, we would discuss the Social Need Screening measure, and that we expect will have a fair amount of conversation. I encourage everyone to look at the measure information sheet for that one quite closely because there's definitely a lot of interesting elements to that measure. So we'll have that discussion, public comment, and voting.

And then after that is when we would turn to the gaps discussion and talk about the priorities and the criteria for the Public Call for Measures. I think what, again, we expect that it will not go the full time till four o'clock. We also won't necessarily be squeezing in ten-minute breaks; we might have a slightly longer break, so you get a little more time to stretch your legs, check your e-mail. So that's what we're thinking at this point. We shortened it from three days to two days, so that's one gain we've made. But I think we felt it would be way too much to do in just two days.

Does that sound okay, David?

David Kelly:

Yes, sorry, I was muted. Yes, that sounds perfectly fine and appreciate that. One additional question, the SDOH measure – has that been – I'm assuming since it made the list that it passed muster for the minimal technical specs. Has it actually been measured and used within the Medicaid space?

Margo Rosenbach:

It has. I think that's a great question to bring back after you read the measure information sheet and see if you have any further questions about that. The measure steward will be there. They can talk a little bit more about that, and it's possible that some other state folks will be able to talk about their experiences with it with their health plans.

So, yes, we did put it through all of the criteria; and it does meet the criteria. But again, review the measure information sheet on that one – on all of them, but on that one in particular carefully because you may have some questions for the measure steward or for other Workgroup members who might have some experience with it. Good question.

David Kelly:

Thanks so much.

Margo Rosenbach:

Sure. Other questions/comments from Workgroup members?

I'll give it another minute. Anyone else?

All right, well, why don't we move on to the next slide and open it up for public comment. As a reminder, please raise your hand if you wish to speak, and please give your full name and affiliation. Do we have any comments from the public?

A reminder to raise your hand if you'd like to make a public comment. Well, seeing no public comments, why don't we move to the wrap-up?

All right, so before we wrap up, we wanted to pause and give our two Co-Chairs – Kim Elliot and Rachel La Croix – an opportunity to make some remarks about the work ahead of us.

So Rachel, would you like to go first?

Derek, can you unmute Rachel La Croix?

Rachel La Croix:

Hi, can you hear me?

Margo Rosenbach:

Yes.

Rachel La Croix:

Okay great, thank you. I just wanted to echo thanks to Mathematica for coordinating our Workgroup activities and the whole review process and preparing all the materials and resources for us to use to facilitate our review. I'm definitely looking forward to us having a robust discussion, even though it's only four measures this time, which I think speaks some to how the Core Sets have kind of stabilized over time since we've been using them for a number of years now and as we're getting into the mandatory reporting era. But I also wanted to just thank the members in advance for careful review and consideration of these measures as well as thinking about the Public Call for Measures, since that will be something new for all of us, and what we can do to make that a really good process and allowing for more input into the Core Sets as well. Just looking forward to seeing all the materials that Mathematica has prepared and looking forward to a good discussion about all of this with all of you in early February.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thanks, Rachel.

Kim?

Kim Elliot:

Hi, can you hear me now?

Margo Rosenbach:

Yes, we can.

Kim Elliot:

Wonderful, I agree with everything that Rachel just said. I'd also like to welcome everyone to the Core Measure Set Workgroup. I'm really excited to be with all of you today and really throughout this entire process, and want to thank all of you in advance for dedicating all of the time and effort and energy that's really so critical and important for the work that we're going to be doing. It's really always a pleasure to participate in these discussions. We have so many subject matter experts and individuals that are really passionate about improving and measuring the progress that states are making in achieving the quality of care, improving outcomes and also, very importantly, the member experience being served by Medicaid.

Earlier this week I was reflecting on the Measure Set and of course the measures that were recommended by Workgroup participants for either removal or addition to the Core Sets. I recognize that there are only four measures presented, and I was wondering why that would be the case. I think it really may reflect that there's such a thoughtful process that was established by CMS and Mathematica for the Core Set Workgroup, and of course the tremendous resources that Mathematica provides for determining what recommendations should be made. It also may reflect that the Measure Set that we currently have is really robust and includes measures that reflect the populations served by Medicaid and measures that – we're really at the point now where we're really looking at that whole person and also considering their experience.

I also agree with Rich's earlier feedback about the measure stratification and how that inclusion of the stratification of measures will really allow a much more focused and actionable intervention to be developed by states to really continue to drive that quality of care across the Medicaid program.

And like you, I'm *really* looking forward to reviewing and considering the measures that are suggested for addition to, or removal from, the Core Sets. The work we're all doing right now in preparing for the February meeting, such as considering the benefit of the measure to the Core Sets in filling the gap, or maybe the feasibility of states to report the measures, and the work we do before that meeting, is so important and will allow for an informed and really a robust discussion during the February voting meeting. So thank you again. I'm really looking forward to working with all of you throughout this process.

Margo Rosenbach:

Thank you, Kim.

And thank you, Rachel, as well.

We're very excited to be moving forward with this process as well. Next slide.

To recap the next steps. Workgroup members will receive the measure review materials via email tomorrow. You'll use the information to review the measures suggested for addition and removal. I think based on Rich's questions and comments today, we also will include a PDF of the State Health Official Letter for Mandatory Reporting so you don't have to click on a link or go looking for it. Then you can have that at your disposal.

It is hard to believe we're at 2024. As Gigi said the other day, we've been waiting six years for 2024 to come around; and here we are, so a very exciting time and very exciting opportunity to review these measures with that in mind.

If you have any questions as you're reviewing the measures, please e-mail us at <u>MACCoreSetReview@mathematica-mpr.com</u>. For members of the public, the measure information sheets will be posted publicly on our website at the beginning of February. Next slide, please.

For those who would like more information, we've included <u>Medicaid.gov</u> links for the Child and Adult Core Sets, and we've also included the link to the Core Sets Annual Review webpage. As Caitlyn mentioned, registration for the voting meeting is now open; and you can register at this webpage. You also will find agendas and slides for each meeting; a calendar of events; and other resources, such as last year's report. Next slide.

As always, if you have questions, please contact us at <u>MACCoreSetReview@mathematica-mpr.com</u>. Next slide.

Finally, thanks everyone for participating in today's webinar. We look forward to having you join us in February to discuss the measures suggested for removal and addition. The meeting is now adjourned. Bye, everyone.