

Notice of Opportunity to Participate in the Statewide Quality Advisory Committee Technical Advisory Group

September 24, 2026

Background and Overview:

The Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) is seeking qualified individuals to help shape health care quality measurement in Massachusetts. In January 2026, pursuant to Chapter 343 of the Acts of 2024, CHIA convened the Statewide Quality Advisory Committee (SQAC). The SQAC is tasked with making recommendations for a Standard Quality Measure Set (SQMS) for use in: (i) contracts between payers, including the Commonwealth and carriers, and health care providers, provider organizations and accountable care organizations, which incorporate quality measures into payment terms, including the designation of a set of core measures and a set of non-core measures; (ii) assigning tiers to health care providers in the design of any health plan; (iii) consumer transparency websites and other methods of providing consumer information; and (iv) monitoring systemwide performance. The law requires CHIA to establish the SQMS, in consultation with the SQAC, every two years.

The SQAC itself is composed of state agency representatives, as well as gubernatorial appointments as described in Chapter 343, and convenes quarterly. For the full list of SQAC members and to learn more about the SQAC, click [here](#).

To assist the SQAC in the development of recommendations and CHIA in establishing the SQMS, CHIA seeks individuals with relevant expertise to participate in a SQAC Technical Advisory Group (SQAC TAG) through this Notice of Opportunity (NOO). Individuals with the following professional expertise may apply on their own behalf or on behalf of an organization:

1. providers or individuals from providers or provider organizations (including hospitals, community health centers, primary care practices, behavioral health providers) with experience in and responsibility for quality measurement, improvement, and/or reporting;
2. individuals from commercial or Medicaid managed care health plans with experience in and responsibility for performance measurement and/or improvement activities related to alternative payment models (APMs);
3. clinical experts (e.g., physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, licensed clinical social workers, licensed mental health counselors, psychologists, or registered nurses);
4. subject matter experts on health equity, health equity measurement and/or accountability for reducing inequities; and
5. academic and/or research experts in quality measurement methods and best practices.

Expectations for Members of the SQAC TAG:

SQAC TAG members will serve for a term of two years. In its sole discretion, CHIA may extend the term of SQAC TAG members one or more times, provided that the total extension period does not exceed two years. CHIA and the SQAC TAG facilitator will jointly develop meeting agendas and a

work plan. CHIA and the SQAC, in consultation with the SQAC TAG, will review and update the guidelines governing the SQAC TAG.

CHIA anticipates the SQAC TAG will meet approximately six to eight times per year between September and June, with additional ad hoc meetings as needed. Meetings will be approximately two hours in length and held virtually, and, on occasion, in person in Boston. SQAC TAG members (or designees) may also participate in workgroups convened at the direction of the SQAC. This SQAC TAG is separate and distinct from other CHIA councils, but members may work in collaboration with other CHIA or state agency advisory bodies.

All SQAC TAG members are expected to participate in initial onboarding activities and trainings, be available to devote the time needed to perform the roles and responsibilities of the SQAC TAG, review all meeting materials in advance of meetings, attend at least 90% of meetings (member may send a designee to some meetings), participate in the development of deliverables as requested, and provide guidance to the SQAC and/or to CHIA as the convening agency.

At the direction of the SQAC, the SQAC TAG may be asked to provide guidance to the SQAC and CHIA on matters including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Quality measures to be included in the SQMS as recommended by the SQAC for mandatory adoption by private and public payers and by providers in global budget-based risk contracts.
2. Quality measure set(s) for the additional uses (e.g., contract models other than global budget which incorporate quality measures into payment terms, assigning tiers to health care providers in the design of any health plan).
3. Strategic priority areas for measure development where measure gaps exist.
4. The measurement and reporting of health and health care inequities and accountability for reducing such inequities.

CHIA may, in its sole discretion, require a SQAC TAG member to recuse themselves from review of specific matters in the event of a perceived or actual conflict of interest. CHIA may remove members who are not meeting the expectations for members of the SQAC TAG as described above. If the individual representing an organization can no longer serve on the SQAC TAG, the organization must promptly notify CHIA and may propose a replacement with equivalent background and experience for CHIA approval.

Applicant Criteria:

CHIA seeks individuals with professional experience as described above. Please see the Application Form for more information.

Supports for Members of the SQAC TAG:

Accommodations for SQAC TAG members with disabilities will be available upon request. Stipends and travel reimbursements may be available for SQAC TAG members who are not paid by a community-based or consumer advocacy organization, provider/trade association, union, or another organization/affiliate to represent such entity. Please email procurement@chiamass.gov if you meet these criteria and would like more information about available resources.

Submission Process:

To be considered, applicants must submit an Application Form **and** resume. The Application Form is available on CHIA's website.

All submissions must be made by email to CHIA Procurement at procurement@chiamass.gov by Friday October 23, 2026, no later than 12:00 PM. Hard copy submissions will not be accepted. Contact CHIA Procurement at procurement@chiamass.gov if you need the Application Form emailed to you or would like to request a reasonable accommodation, which may include obtaining the information in an alternative format.

Evaluation and Selection Process:

CHIA will convene an evaluation team, which will comprise representatives of CHIA, the Division of Insurance, the Health Policy Commission, MassHealth, and the Department of Public Health to evaluate submitted Application Forms and resumes based on the selection criteria listed herein. The evaluation team will recommend potential SQAC TAG members to the Executive Director of CHIA. CHIA reserves the right to contact the applicant during the evaluation process to request written or oral clarification of their submission or otherwise discuss their response.

In addition to the criteria set forth above, submitted Application Forms will be evaluated on:

- the applicant's qualifications, including stated interest, knowledge, skills and experience;
- the applicant's geographic location, which must be within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and
- the applicant's status as an individual or organizational representative.

If CHIA cannot identify qualified individuals with the qualifications listed above during the evaluation process, it may reopen the NOO in order to accept new applications. At its discretion, CHIA reserves the right to amend or clarify this NOO, or to change the requirements, scope, or schedule.