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Don't miss the opportunity to contribute to defining how quality in HCBS should be defined/measured.

Comments due August 17, 2015

Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) are essential to supporting successful community living for millions of people with disabilities. Expansion of HCBS allows more people with disabilities to receive the services they need in a setting of their choosing. As public and private investment in HCBS grows, it is critical to define quality in HCBS and explore how best to measure it.

The [National Quality Forum](#) (NQF) is convening a stakeholder committee to develop recommendations to improve quality measurement in home and community based services.

NQF recently released an interim report entitled "Addressing Performance Measure Gaps in Home and Community-Based Services to Support Community Living - Initial Components of the Conceptual Framework." The proposed framework will guide the development of quality measures in HCBS for years to come. Stakeholder input is essential to making the framework as accurate and relevant as possible.

This interim report is the first product of committee's work which will be followed by:

- a synthesis of current HCBS quality measurement;
- an identification of measurement gaps; and,
- recommendations for defining a set of priority quality measures.

You can follow the committee's work, view the interim report, and make comments at the NQF [website](#).

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