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CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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Quality Assessment and Improvement Program Description

The CQIP is a program designed to objectively and systematically monitor and evaluate the appropriateness of clinical and non-clinical member care and services. Through the continuous process of monitoring and evaluation, HAP MHP examines the components of its managed care service and delivery system, identifies opportunities for improvement and recommends changes to affect those improvements. After recommendations are implemented, a re-examination of affected components enables HAP MHP to validate improvements by measuring service and delivery system enhancements. Approved by the HAP MHP Board of Directors, the CQIP is updated as necessary and reviewed annually, at a minimum, to accommodate revisions that may be necessary to accommodate changing needs.

Mission Statement

HAP MHP Health Plan (HAP MHP) is committed to providing excellence in managed care product lines to the residents of the State of Michigan, through fiscally responsible programs that assure access to and the delivery of cost effective and quality medical services.
MI Health Link, also known as the Medicare Medicaid Program (MMP), is a health care option for Michigan adults, ages 21 or over, who are enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid, and live in specified counties in Michigan. MI Health Link offers a broad range of medical and behavioral health services, pharmacy, home and community-based services and nursing home care, all in a single program designed to meet individual member needs.

HAP Midwest Health Plan (HAP MHP) has continuously delivered quality care to the Medicaid population since it became an HMO in 1998 and for the Medicare population as a Special Needs Plan (SNP) with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) since 2006. HAP MHP has vast experience in serving and meeting the unique needs of the Medicaid and Medicare dual eligible population. HAP MHP began the first year of the MMP demonstration project in May 2015, and continues to serve the needs of the dual eligible population in Wayne and Macomb counties with continued participation in the project.

HAP MHP reports and complies with all quality measures required under the MI Health Link MMP Demonstration Project in conjunction with the Coordination Agreements with the State of Michigan and the contract. HAP MHP reports all measures related to behavioral health, care coordination, and care transitions, as well as Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS), as required by the contract.

HAP MHP also reports the following:

- Medication Therapy Management Programs (MTMP)
- Model of Care (MOC)
- Chronic Care Improvement Program (CCIP)
- Continuous Quality Improvement Program (CQIP)
- Quality Improvement Project (QIP)
- Continuous reporting of CMS Part C and Part D requirements via Health Plan Management System (HPMS)
- Core and MI specific measures
- Quality Withhold Measures
- Health Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS)
- Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems survey (CAHPS)
- Health Outcomes Survey (HOS)

I. Description of MMP Specific Target Population

Target population

MI Health Link serves dual eligible populations in Wayne and Macomb counties as part of the State of Michigan MMP demonstration. The members must have both Medicaid and Medicare. These members typically have at least one chronic medical or behavioral health condition. HAP MHP undertakes a variety of projects to improve the quality of care to all members.

Identification

HAP MHP identifies and monitors the most vulnerable members of the MMP population in the following ways:
• A Registered Nurse (RN) or a Social Work (SW) Care Coordinator visits each member in the home to conduct a Health Risk Assessment (HRA). This assessment allows the Care Coordinator to evaluate the member’s medical conditions, medications, providers, pain level, ability to conduct activities of daily living, and understanding of their medical conditions. The information is then entered into the Integrated Care Bridge. This system generates a proposed plan of care that is discussed and agreed upon with the member. The system also generates reminder prompts to the Care Coordinator for follow up activities based on the assessment and care plan. If a member does not wish a home visit, the Care Coordinator can set up a time to conduct the HRA by telephone.

• All member calls into Customer Service are tracked in the Enrollment Tracking System. If a member who calls Customer Service indicates that they may need additional assistance with managing medical conditions or activities of daily living (ADLs), that member is referred to the Case Management department for further assessment and follow up.

• The Medical Director conducts periodic reviews of utilization data and reviews for any outliers, trends or patterns, or for members that have had multiple hospitalizations or use of ER services. These members are also referred to the Case Management department.

• The Pharmacy Director conducts periodic reviews of prescription data to identify opportunities to improve medication management. Specific medications or conditions may be reviewed for safety, quality or adherence opportunities. Ad hoc review for specific members with multiple medications may also occur.

• All members in the Case Management program are followed by a Care Coordinator who follows up with the member based on the plan of care and the member’s needs. An annual re-assessment is conducted by the Care Coordinator with the member and any caregivers the member wants to include. During this re-assessment, the Care Coordinator, member, and other involved caregivers review and update the member’s goals, plan of care, medical history, and providers.

Monitoring

The plan of care is shared with the Primary Care Provider (PCP) through phone, face to face interactions, fax, and mail. When changes occur in the plan of care, the PCP and member are notified. Ongoing monitoring of all of HAP MHP’s MMP members is conducted through Case Management with results of monitoring and reporting activities such as HEDIS and CAHPS, Medication Therapy Management Programs, Utilization Management data review, Model of Care program, and other activities discussed in the CQIP.

Many of the MMP members have been identified as having behavioral health diagnoses and are receiving services through the community mental health system. HAP MHP has partnered with Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority (DWMHA) and Macomb County Community Mental Health (MCCMH) to establish guidelines for the exchange of information in order to promote optimum health for members with co-occurring behavioral and physical health disorders. Monthly meetings between behavioral health providers and HAP MHP have resulted in verifying contact information, identifying gaps in care, and creating a venue to discuss current concerns involving mutual members.

HAP MHP and DWMHA worked jointly to develop an assessment tool. This tool became the basis for the Level I Health Risk Assessment (HRA). The HRA is administered by the HAP MHP Care Coordinators and contracted provider agencies delegated to perform this assessment. HAP MHP and DWMHA use the
HAP MHP Integrated Care Bridge to house all of the assessments shared by the two organizations. HAP MHP also uses the same process and protocols to exchange assessment information with MCCMH.

HAP MHP also has a contract with the agencies that work with the developmentally disabled population providing community living support and respite care for caregivers. The HAP MHP care coordinator communicates with these organizations as needed to assist the member and caregivers to obtain needed services.

II. Continuous Quality Improvement Program

Purpose

The purpose of the HAP MHP Continuous Quality Improvement Program (CQIP) is to enhance the quality and safety of health care services provided to the MMP members through its practitioners, providers, care coordinators, and other HAP MHP staff members. It is designed to objectively and systematically monitor and evaluate the appropriateness of clinical and non-clinical member care and services. Through the continuous process of monitoring and evaluation, HAP MHP examines the components of its managed care service and delivery system, identifies opportunities for improvement, and recommends changes to affect those improvements in order to take action to correct problems revealed in quality improvement activities. After recommendations are implemented, a re-examination of affected components enables the plan to validate improvements by measuring service and delivery system enhancements.

The CQIP is approved by the HAP MHP Board of Directors, and is updated as necessary and reviewed annually at a minimum. The review includes a description of completed and ongoing QI activities that address the quality and safety of clinical care and the quality of services, the trending of measures to assess performance, an analysis of whether there have been improvements in the quality of clinical care and the quality of service to members, and an evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the QI Program.

Practicing providers participate in the Clinical Quality Management Committee as well as the associated subcommittees.

Members and providers who wish to learn more about the QI program can request information on a description of the QI program and a report on progress towards meeting QI goals. This information is also found on the website at hap.org/midwest.

Data collection, integration, analysis and ensuring accuracy and completeness

The Information Technology (IT) Department maintains hardware and software programs that are capable of collecting, analyzing and integrating data to assist in the CQIP activities, and ensure that data is complete and reliable. Systems are backed up for safety on a regular basis. The IT Department is central to efforts to manage patient care and to improve health care quality and outcomes. The data warehouse is the main source for all reporting. This warehouse is able to collect and integrate data from all components of the network in order to develop a comprehensive picture of member needs, utilization, and performance improvement programs as well as other quality management activities. The warehouse maintains all data at the member level and health information for CMS and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) review. Claims, encounters, eligibility, Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR), participating hospitals, credentialing and all electronic data is stored in this warehouse. From there, data is fed to the Case Management System and other internal reporting
programs. The following software systems enable HAP MHP to implement components of the QIP:

- Integrated Care Bridge is used to house information on the member’s health risk assessment and care plan, as well as hospitalizations, referrals, pharmacy and lab data. The software generates an individualized plan of care for each member. Prompts are then generated when follow up is due on members. These prompts are displayed in each care coordinator’s assignment log. An annual report on the case management activities is generated and reported to the Clinical Quality Management Committee. Quality improvement projects are developed out of this report.

- The information from the data warehouse is also used to populate the HEDIS software used to produce the annual HEDIS reports. An annual audit is conducted to ensure HAP MHP is capturing all data required to produce accurate HEDIS reports. The results of the HEDIS reports are discussed at the Clinical Quality Management Committee annually. The committee then reviews the information and makes recommendations on actions to improve care.

- The data warehouse is also used to populate the information on member demographic and eligibility history, provider contracting, and claims history into the case management system.

- The Customer Service Representatives utilize the enrollment system to review information and log all calls received. All calls are given reason codes and reports can be generated based on the codes. Complaints are recorded into this system and reports are generated to determine the number and types of complaints. Member experience reports including analysis of complaints is presented at the Clinical Quality Management Committee, which recommends appropriate interventions.

The data warehouse and the ancillary systems are backed up nightly. In the case of a prolonged power failure or other disaster, the backups would be used to rebuild the systems.

Hardware systems include desk top computers, laptop computers, copy machines, and routine office supplies. Software systems include HEDIS data collection and reporting software, a care management system, Integrated Care Bridge for care coordination and the enrollment system. Microsoft Office, Excel, Power Point, and other standard computer programs are also used.

**Annual review and actions**

All components of the CQIP are data driven. Utilizing the reports from the systems outlined above, feedback from members and providers, plan level and provider level HEDIS results, case management and utilization management activities and network analysis, HAP MHP conducts an internal review to evaluate the effectiveness of the CQIP. Measures of performance before and after interventions are reviewed and compared to benchmarks. Action plans are developed for selected HEDIS reported measures. These action plans identify the tasks associated with correcting any deficiencies and improving care and are done in conjunction with the annual strategic planning.

**Fraud and Abuse**

HAP MHP is committed to the prevention, detection, and correction of any fraud, waste, abuse, or criminal conduct. The mission of the Compliance Department is to promote an organizational culture that encourages ethical conduct and compliance with the law. Any HAP MHP associate or business partner (Member, Employee, Provider, First Tier and Downstream Related Entity and their governing bodies) must share this commitment to lawful and ethical conduct.
All potentially fraudulent or abusive practices regarding a provider, member or employee that are identified by HAP MHP are reported to the Program Investigation Section at MDHHS, Office of Investigator General (OIG), and all other appropriate regulatory agencies. HAP MHP cooperates with any investigation into the identified fraudulent or abusive action, and provides information, as requested. When appropriate, HAP MHP will also inform the National Practitioner Data Bank-Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (NPDB-HIPDB).

Compliance concerns about any provider, member, employee or contractor of HAP MHP can be called to the 24 hour, toll free Compliance Hotline at 1-877-746-2501. The report can be filed anonymously and concerns may also be put in writing and mailed to the following address:

HAP MHP MI Health Link
Attention: Compliance Officer
PO Box 2578
Detroit, MI 48202

Corrective Action Plans

Corrective action plans (CAPs) are developed based on findings resulting from medical and service reviews, member and provider feedback, or HEDIS results. Committee members or the Medical Director can recommend the development of a corrective action plan. A CAP may consist of focused education to an individual provider, service site administrative manager, or all medical or management staff. HAP MHP addresses any aspects of health care or administrative practices that impact the delivery of health services to its members.

Depending upon the issue, interdisciplinary teams of professionals may be assembled to begin a quality improvement process to resolve identified deficiencies. This process relies on the team to fully understand the issue, identify the magnitude of the problem, develop strategies for improvement, pilot the recommendations, and monitor the outcomes in order to fully realize achievable benefits. If the issue requiring correction involves a provider, the Medical Director meets with the appropriate provider as necessary to discuss the nature of the problem and the recommended solution.

The Medical Director can offer technical assistance in support of the provider’s effort to resolve the problem. The Medical Director also stipulates the frequency with which the provider formally assesses the improvement process. The Medical Director or the QI Director is responsible for monitoring the effectiveness of the CAP and for determining whether plan revisions are warranted. If upon review the provider did not follow the CAP, the Medical Director will meet with the provider and discuss future steps, possibly including termination from the network, if the provider fails to comply with the CAP. The Medical Director reports this activity to the QI Committee.

HIPAA and Privacy

HAP MHP staff work with data related to the development, review, and implementation of all aspects of the CQIP. HAP MHP incorporates a systematic data collection and performance monitoring approach into all activities, and complies with accrediting and regulatory requirements. The data collection is in compliance with the parameters set forth in the Health Insurance and Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy and Security Regulations, state mental health and substance abuse regulations, and NCQA regulations to ensure that the data collected meets the minimum standards for disclosure of
Protected Health Information (PHI), Individually Identifiable Health Information (IIHI), and Personally Identifiable Financial Information (PIFI). PHI may be accessed by HAP MHP staff according to minimum necessary standards for the purposes of treatment, payment and health care operations without obtaining member or member representative consent or authorization.

The privacy of member information is maintained by providing secure work sites, ensuring that computers and data submissions are password protected, and locking desks or cabinets that are used to store member PHI. PHI is monitored by the HAP MHP Compliance Program to ensure that only employees with a need to know have access to the information and that the staff has access to the minimum of information needed to complete the task. Any violations of the HIPAA requirements for improper release of member PHI will be managed by HAP MHP’s human resources department in accordance with HAP MHP’s Compliance Program. The actions taken can include a verbal warning, education, suspension, management oversight for a period of time or termination. This protection applies to all members, both living and deceased.

Protection of member PHI includes all activities performed by HAP MHP. Unless a signed HIPAA consent form is on file with HAP MHP, all member data will be de-identified prior to release to any entity where there is not a business need to have access to it.

Exceptions to the HIPAA regulations are detailed in the HAP MHP Corporate Compliance Policy which states that uses and disclosures of PHI for which member consent, authorization or opportunity to agree or object is not required include the following:

- Purposes of public health activities, including preventing or controlling disease, public health investigations or interrogations, reports to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for adverse events or post-marketing surveillance.
- Concerning victims of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence, as required by law.
- Health oversight activities authorized by law, regulatory programs, or requirements, within the scope and authority of the regulations.
- For judicial and administrative purposes (including response to subpoena, discovery request, warrant, or other lawful process) to the legal body issuing the subpoena, or court order.
- Purposes of law enforcement or specialized government functions, including national security and intelligence activities.

Employees are required to complete annual HIPAA training and take post training tests to determine their level of knowledge of HIPAA and fraud and abuse. Documentation of the training is monitored through the Henry Ford Health System University online training system. Reports can be generated as needed for oversight of the training requirement. Oversight bodies such as CMS and MDHHS may review documents related to the compliance program and policies and procedures at any time.

**III. Internal Quality Improvement Activities**

HAP MHP maintains a Quality Improvement (QI) Program structure for the MI Health Link members that is separate from any of its existing Medicaid, Medicare, or commercial lines of business. The HAP MHP Quality Improvement Program supports the application of the principles of Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) to all aspects of HAP MHP’s service delivery system. HAP MHP engages in
performance measurement and quality improvement projects designed to achieve significant improvements in clinical care and non-clinical care.

**Clinical Guidelines**

HAP MHP utilizes the Michigan Quality Improvement Consortium (MQIC) guidelines as a basis for provider education and care management/outreach programs. These guidelines utilize current literature and nationally recognized standards, as well as input from providers. These guidelines are reviewed at least every 2 years or more frequently if current literature indicates that they need to change. These guidelines are sent to every provider in Michigan each year. HAP MHP also publishes these guidelines in the Provider Newsletter and they are available on the HAP MHP web site: hap.org/midwest. Upon request, HAP MHP will disseminate a listing to MDHHS and a description of all clinical guidelines adopted, endorsed and utilized on behalf of HAP MHP.

**Network Analysis**

HAP MHP conducts an annual review of the provider network to ensure that the network meets the cultural needs of the members, that appointment times meet required standards, and that the number and types of providers meet the requirements of the members.

- **Adequate number of Primary Care Providers:** HAP MHP contracts with primary care providers (PCPs) whose specialties include geriatric medicine, internal medicine, family practice, and general medicine. HAP MHP ensures that members have adequate access to PCPs by conducting access mapping to confirm that there are contracted providers within 30 minutes or 30 miles from the member’s home. The PCPs work closely with the HAP MHP and the members to coordinate their needed care and services.

- **Adequate number and types of specialists:** HAP MHP contracts with specialists to care for members. Specialties can include cardiology, gastroenterology, hematology/oncology, infectious disease, endocrinology, nephrology, neurology, oncology, ophthalmology, pain management, urology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, podiatry, psychiatry, pulmonology, rheumatology, all surgical specialties, and wound care.

- **Cultural diversity:** The HAP MHP provider network includes physicians who speak other languages to meet the needs of members. HAP MHP has access to a telephone language service to communicate with members who speak other languages. The provider directory lists the languages spoken by the providers, as well as general office information. HAP MHP also works to accommodate members with disabilities and is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

- **Clinical expertise used to meet the needs of members with complex health and social needs:** HAP MHP works to ensure the network includes providers who have the clinical expertise and training to successfully meet the needs of members who may be frail, suffering from multiple chronic illnesses, or near the end of life.

- **Out of network providers:** It is understood that in some instances members will need specialty care not available from a network provider. When there is a need for a specialist that is not currently in network, HAP MHP arranges for services to be provided by a non-network provider and negotiates a single case agreement.
Member Satisfaction and Grievances

All member calls are documented in the membership database. Calls are separated by member inquiries, complaints, and grievances.

Member complaints are separated into the following categories:

- Quality of Care
- Access
- Customer Service
- Marketing
- Benefit Plan
- Appeals

The number and types of grievances and complaints are reported in the annual member satisfaction report and are presented to the Clinical Quality Management Committee. All grievances and complaints are acknowledged, investigated, and resolved within 30 days of receipt of the grievance. Quality of care complaints are forwarded to the Quality Improvement Department. The quality improvement director meets with the medical director to determine the appropriate follow up plan.

Complaints and Grievances from the CMS Health Plan Management System (HPMS) Complaint Tracking Module web site and from MDHHS are also downloaded, reviewed and reported for the analyses. Analysis of all member complaints and grievances received at HAP MHP, HPMS, MDHHS, and other internal or external departments are reported annually in the Annual Member Satisfaction Report. This report is reviewed by the CQMC along with the number of complaints and grievances that are reported each month in the Continuous Monitors.

Provider Satisfaction

An annual provider satisfaction survey is conducted to determine the level of satisfaction providers have with HAP MHP; including behavioral health providers. This survey assesses the provider’s satisfaction with getting reports from specialists, hospitals and other providers. It also assesses their satisfaction with the case management programs, the referral process, billing/payment, prior authorization process, care coordination and ICT/IICSP development, overall satisfaction with the plan and the Provider and Customer Service departments. The results of this survey are presented at the CQMC and shared with MDHHS and CMS as needed.

Continuity and Coordination of Care

HAP MHP members select a PCP upon enrollment. If a member does not select a PCP, one is auto assigned during the enrollment process based on the member’s zip code. The PCP is responsible for ensuring the coordination of services for both the Medicare and Medicaid benefits. Since members may receive health care services from other providers such as specialists, hospitals, local health departments, behavioral health care providers, and other providers inside and outside of the HAP MHP network of providers, the following areas are monitored to help ensure continuity and coordination of care:

- Continuity of care between hospitals and PCPs regarding follow-up after discharge
- Communication of treatment information between hospitals and PCPs
• Physician feedback through the annual PCP satisfaction survey on consistency in receiving information from consultants
• Coordination of care when members receive prescriptions from multiple physicians
• Continuity and coordination of care across all care and service settings, including transitions in care

Patient Safety
HAP MHP fosters a supportive environment to help providers improve the safety of their practice. HAP MHP also informs members of what they can do to help ensure they receive safe clinical care. These are accomplished through:

• Member education about getting the best care possible
• Member education about falls and fall prevention
• Providing PCPs with current immunization schedules, clinical practice guidelines, and preventive health guidelines
• Providing PCPs with forms to document care and services
• Updating web site to include links to safety related information
• Publishing information about safety initiatives in the member and provider newsletters
• Notifying affected members and providers about FDA drug recalls related to safety
• Conducting retrospective drug utilization review for specific quality and safety activities

Utilization Management
HAP MHP works to provide appropriate care and services for its members. HAP MHP monitors the utilization of:

• Inpatient admissions for appropriate level of care and length of stay
• Selected ambulatory procedures
• Pharmacy utilization
• Under and over-utilization of selected services
• Emergency Department usage

Credentialing and Re-credentialing
HAP MHP ensures that members have access to providers that have met credentialing and re-credentialing standards. HAP MHP complies with NCQA standards and performs the following activities:

• Utilizes credentialing database
• Verifies credentials through primary source verification by an approved organization
• Collects application data through a national vendor
• Provides oversight of the following delegated credentialing entities:
  - Genesys PHO
  - William Beaumont Hospital System
  - Henry Ford Health System
  - University of Michigan Health System
University Physicians Group (Wayne State University)
United Physicians, Inc.

IV. Quality Improvement Projects

HAP MHP’s QI program is monitored throughout the calendar year to ensure its members are receiving the highest quality of care. HAP MHP conducts internal monitoring, assesses its QI program through annual program evaluations and makes recommendations concerning the level of care members receive as well. HAP MHP continually evaluates its internal structures and processes and makes changes based on the results of these evaluations. The results that are also monitored include surveys, audits, and feedback from HAP MHP’s network of providers, office staff and members.

HAP MHP has identified the following quality and chronic care improvement activities:

- Reducing Avoidable Hospitalizations (Quality Improvement Program—QIP)
- Decrease Cardiovascular Disease through controlling High Blood Pressure (Chronic Care Improvement Program—CCIP)

Quality Improvement Program

To investigate methods to reduce readmissions, COPD was originally chosen for the Quality Improvement Program. The goal of this initiative was to reduce hospital readmissions for members with a primary diagnosis of COPD by two percentage points. However, after analyzing the data and finding the population size was very small, the goal was revised to reduce readmission rates for all hospitalized members, through timely follow up on inpatient admissions and transitions of care on discharge. The aim of the interventions is to reduce the relative rate of readmission by 3% (this reduction is based on experience with similar readmission intervention done by one of HAP MHP’s Care Coordination teams with a different membership population). To reduce overall readmissions, HAP MHP expanded the care transitions program to all 19 of HAP MHP’s contracted hospitals.

The HAP MHP MMP team employed the following strategies:

- Training of nurse utilization review team by medical director on evidence based inpatient medical criteria and risk factors for readmission
- Improved staffing for care coordinators to reduce caseloads and improve post-discharge follow-up
- Implementation of LACE (Length of stay, Acute Admission, Comorbidities, Emergency Department visits in last 6 months) readmission tool on every admission
- Deployment of medical management team for face-face visits of discharged members with high LACE readmission
- Enhanced readmission reduction training for all care coordinators
- Deployment of an embedded transitional nurse care coordinator in one contracted hospital

During the 2017 readmission interventions, several areas of opportunity were identified including improving medication understanding and adherence, easing difficulty in achieving follow-up with PCP after discharge, and identification of higher risk members for readmission.

Improved care coordination training and staffing resulted in a 6.5% increase in 30-day PCP hospital follow up visits. By the third quarter, 73% of MMP members admitted had PCP visit claims within 30 days of
discharge. Of the 457 members receiving an intervention, 137 high risk members had multiple post-discharge home visits by the 3rd quarter within 7 days of discharge. This resulted in a 12-14% 30-day readmission rate in the highest risk members. HAP MHP will continue to evaluate interventions and results to expand on these gains in 2018.

**Chronic Care Improvement Program (CCIP)**

Hypertension was selected for a comprehensive Chronic Care Improvement Program (CCIP) as hypertension was one of the top diagnoses for members in 2015, the year the program began. Since hypertension is a chronic condition, members must continually follow medication, dietary, and exercise guidelines prescribed by a primary care doctor or specialist in order to keep blood pressure under control. By keeping blood pressure under control, the member is reducing the risk for associated complications of cardiovascular and other diseases. The goal of the CCIP is to increase blood pressure control for members diagnosed with hypertension by 2 percentage points per year over the five-year project. The benchmark will be the 50th percentile for the HEDIS measure *Controlling High Blood Pressure*. Control is defined as blood pressure with a systolic pressure less than 140mmHg and diastolic pressure less than 90mmHg.

HAP MHP utilizes the Michigan Quality Improvement Consortium (MQIC) guidelines for Medical Management of Adults with Hypertension. The key components of the guidelines are the initial assessment, patient education and non-pharmacological interventions, the goals of therapy, pharmacological interventions and monitoring and adjustment of therapy.

Members with a diagnosis of hypertension are sent educational materials focused to increase members' skills, abilities and confidence in managing their health. Members receive educational mailings regarding high blood pressure. The program includes mailings of educational materials to discuss blood pressure, what affects blood pressure, importance of controlling blood pressure, and self-management tools such as blood pressure monitoring grids, medication management tips, and dietary and exercise educational information.

HAP MHP continues to monitor MMP members with hypertension. In 2017, there were dramatic changes to the Care Management and Disease Management departments, and the Quality Department merged with HAP’s Quality and Credentialing Department. In 2018, these departments will align to continue and improve interventions for MMP members with hypertension.

**V. MDHHS Performance Incentive Program**

CMS and MDHHS withhold a percentage of the plan Capitation Payment, with the exception of Part D Component amounts. The withheld amounts will be repaid subject to HAP MHP performance consistent with established quality thresholds.

**Methodology**

MMPs receive a “pass” or “fail” score for each withhold measure. For Demonstration Year (DY) 2 and 3, MMPs have two ways in which to pass a particular core measure:

- If the MMP meets the established benchmark for the measure, or
- If the MMP meets the established goal for closing the gap between its performance in the calendar year prior to the performance period and the established benchmark by a stipulated percentage
Quality withhold payments are determined based on the percentage of all withhold measures, including CMS core and state-specific measures, each MMP passes. All measures are weighted equally, with no distinction made between measures that earned a “pass” by meeting the benchmark and measures that earned a “pass” by meeting the gap closure target. If one or more measures cannot be calculated for the MMP because of timing constraints or enrollment requirements (e.g., the reporting period does not fall during the applicable demonstration year, an MMP does not have sufficient enrollment to report the measure as detailed in the technical notes), it will be removed from the total number of withhold measures on which an MMP will be evaluated. In circumstances where the removal of measures results in fewer than three measures that are eligible for inclusion, alternative measures will be added to the quality withhold analysis.

MMPs will be evaluated using the following bands:

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**Benchmarks**

Benchmarks for individual measures are determined through an analysis of national or state-specific data depending upon the data available for each measure. In general, benchmarks for CMS core measures are established using national data such that all MMPs across demonstrations are held to a consistent level of performance. For state-specific measures, benchmarks are developed by states using state-specific data, as well as national data when available/appropriate.

HAP MHP is evaluated to determine whether it has met quality withhold requirements at the end of each Demonstration Years 2-5. The MDHHS quality withhold measures for Demonstration Years 2-5 are included in the table below.

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<td>Percentage of discharges for Enrollees 6 years of age and older who were hospitalized for treatment of selected mental health disorders and who had an outpatient visit, an intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization with a mental health practitioner within 30 days of discharge.</td>
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of age and 60-85 years of age with diagnosis of diabetes or (150/90) for members 60-85 without a diagnosis of diabetes during the measurement year.

| Part D medication adherence for diabetes medications | Percent of Enrollees with a prescription for diabetes medication who fill their prescription often enough to cover eighty percent (80%) or more of the time they are supposed to be taking the medication. | CMS |
| Care Transition Record Transmitted to Health Care Professional | Measure MI2.6: Percent of members discharged from an inpatient facility to home or any other site of care for whom a transition record was transmitted to the facility or primary physician or other health care professional designated for follow-up care on the day of discharge or the following day | State defined |
| Measure MI2.3: Documentation of Care Goals | Percent of members with documented discussions of care goals | State defined |
| Measure MI5.5: Urinary Tract Infection | Percent of nursing facility long stay residents who have a urinary tract infection | State defined |

VI. Care Management Plan—Model of Care (MOC)

MOC Quality Performance Improvement Plan

HAP MHP maintains a well-defined Quality Improvement (QI) Program structure for the MI Health Link members that is separate from any of its existing Medicaid, Medicare, or commercial lines of business. The HAP MHP Quality Improvement Program supports the application of the principles of Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) to all aspects of HAP MHP’s service delivery system.

Measurable Goals and Health Outcomes for the MOC

The HAP MHP QI Program includes measurable goals related to health outcomes. Goals are specific for improving access and affordability for the health care needs for the HAP MHP MMP members. Goals are monitored to evaluate the improvement of care coordination and delivery of services for members through the alignment of the Health Risk Assessment (HRA), Individual Integrated Care and Supports Plan
(IICSP), and Integrated Care Team (ICT). Care transitions are evaluated to show enhancement across all health care settings and providers for members.

**Measuring Patient Experience of Care**

HAP MHP conducts member experience surveys as directed by MDHHS or CMS. The survey activities are as follows:

- an annual CAHPS survey and supplemental questions as determined by MDHHS using an approved CAHPS vendor
- a consumer experience survey for members utilizing LTSS during the prior calendar year
- Contribute to processes culminating in the development of an annual report by MDHHS regarding the individual and aggregate performance of HAP MHP MMP

HAP MHP uses a broad sample of members to conduct an annual member experience survey. Results are analyzed to identify issues that can be integrated into the performance improvement plan. Member complaints and inquiries are also reviewed for improvement opportunities.

**Ongoing Performance Improvement Evaluation of the MOC**

HAP MHP conducts systematic, ongoing collection and analysis of data as a part of the assessment and evaluation of its MOC. HAP MHP utilizes the results of monitoring, auditing, surveys and other reports to assess and evaluate its quality performance indicators throughout the year. The results of the quality performance indicators and measures are used to support improvements in the MOC.

**Communication of Quality Performance Related to the MOC**

HAP MHP’s quality performance results are shared with stakeholders. HAP MHP communicates the performance updates to the stakeholders by means of the advisory council and website. HAP MHP also shares the results with the CQMC. The CQMC reports quality performance results to the HAP MHP Board of Directors.

**VII. HEDIS**

**Collection and reporting**

The Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures are collected, reported and analyzed to determine the quality of care delivered by HAP MHP. The HEDIS results are reported annually to NCQA and CMS. The oversight and auditing by an NCQA accredited third party vendor follows the HEDIS Technical Specifications. HAP MHP utilizes NCQA certified HEDIS software to prepare and submit HEDIS annually. The data warehouse contains all claims and encounter data, pharmacy data, eligibility and demographic information on all current and past members, provider contracting information, and laboratory data, and feeds into the HEDIS software.

**Accuracy**

Qualified nurse reviewers audit the medical records for the HEDIS measures that allow hybrid review. Training on data abstraction is conducted annually and inter-rater reliability is conducted before and throughout the medical record data abstraction to ensure accuracy of the medical record review. The medical record abstraction process and results of inter-rater reliability are audited by an NCQA accredited vendor. The HEDIS measures that will be reported in 2018 include:
Effectiveness of Care Measures

- ABA Adult BMI Assessment
- BCS Breast Cancer Screening
- COL Colorectal Cancer Screening
- SPR Use of Spirometry Testing in the Assessment and Diagnosis of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- PCE Pharmacotherapy Management of COPD Exacerbation
- MMA Medication Management for People With Asthma
- AMR Asthma Medication Ratio
- CBP Controlling High Blood Pressure
- PBH Persistence of Beta-Blocker Treatment After a Heart Attack
- SPC Statin Therapy for Patients With Cardiovascular Disease
- CDC Comprehensive Diabetes Care
- SPD Statin Therapy for Patients With Diabetes
- ART Disease-Modifying Anti-Rheumatic Drug Therapy in Rheumatoid Arthritis
- OMW Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture
- AMM Antidepressant Medication Management
- FUH Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness
- FUM Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Mental
- FUA Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Alcohol and Other Drug Dependence
- MPM Annual Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications
- MRP Medication Reconciliation Post-Discharge
- PSA Non-Recommended PSA-Based Screening in Older Men
- DDE Potentially Harmful Drug-Disease Interactions in the Elderly
- DAE Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly

Access/Availability of Care

- AAP Adults' Access to Preventive/Ambulatory Health Services
- IET Initiation and Engagement of AOD Dependent Treatment

Utilization and Risk Adjusted Utilization

- FSP Frequency of Selected Procedures
- AMBA Ambulatory Care
- IPU Inpatient Utilization--General Hospital/Acute Care
- IAD Identification of Alcohol and Other Drug Service
- MPT Mental Health Utilization
- ABX Antibiotic Utilization
- HAI Standardized Healthcare-Associated Infection Ratio
- PCR Plan All-Cause Readmissions Health Plan
- IHU Inpatient Hospital Utilization
- EDU Emergency Department Utilization
- HPC Hospitalization for Potentially Preventable Complications
Health Plan Descriptive Information

- **BCR** Board Certification
- **ENP** Enrollment by Product Line
- **EBS** Enrollment by State
- **LDM** Language Diversity of Membership
- **RDM** Race/Ethnicity Diversity of Membership
- **TLM** Total Membership

**Determining actions**

Once the HEDIS audit is completed, the results are reviewed at the CQMC. The results are compared to NCQA benchmarks as well as internal goals. The CQMC is comprised of internal staff and participating physicians. The CQMC reviews the results and recommends methods and projects to improve the outcomes. These results are also shared with the network PCPs. Potential barriers to receiving recommended services are also analyzed.

HAP MHP will conduct an internal review to evaluate the effectiveness of the Quality Improvement Program. Action plans will be developed to identify the tasks associated with correcting any deficiencies and improving care as needed. The annual evaluation of the QI Program will incorporate the findings and actions taken to improve care.

**VIII. Health Outcomes Survey (HOS)**

The purpose of this survey is to measure the targeted population in managed care settings. It assesses over time the ability of HAP MHP to maintain or improve the physical and mental health of its members. The survey is conducted through a series of a baseline cohort and follow-up cohorts thereafter in a random sample. HAP MHP HOS 2018 belongs to CMS mandated Baseline Cohort 21. The objective of the Medicare HOS is to gather data to help target quality improvement activities and resources, monitoring health plan performance, rewarding top-performing health plans and helping Medicare members make informed health care choices. HAP MHP must participate in the Medicare Health Outcomes Survey. HAP MHP has contracted with an approved survey vendor that follows all technical specifications as dictated and regulated. The survey vendor sends results biweekly with an encrypted raw data graph to the health plan for review. Once the results are received, HAP MHP reviews them and makes recommendations for interventions and actions to improve outcomes that do not meet HAP MHP’s goal. A report is prepared that includes the survey data results and is discussed at the CQMC as needed. The committee then makes recommendations for implementing actions based on the results.

**IX. Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS)**

HAP MHP contracts with an NCQA approved survey vendor that follows the CAHPS technical specifications. Standard NCQA protocols for administering CAHPS include a mixed-mode mail and telephone protocol and a mail-only protocol. HAP MHP utilizes the mail and telephone protocol.

The protocol includes the following:

- A list of all members is sent to the survey vendor
- Vendor creates all mail materials for final approval for HAP MHP
- Vendor reviews the sample for accuracy
• Surveys are mailed to members, and a toll-free telephone number is made available for questions regarding the survey
• Reminder postcards are sent after each of the mailings
• After second mailing, up to 6 telephone calls are made to each non-responder
• Vendor sends member level to NCQA, who creates summary files and returns them to the vendor and HAP MHP
• HAP MHP reviews results and sends signed attestation to NCQA
• Vendor produces and sends NCQA Accredited Plan reports, including data tabulations, to HAP MHP
• HAP MHP examines the Key Driver Analysis to determine the high priority areas for improvement and primary recommendations
• HAP MHP Quality Department works with affected departments to create action plans for improvement
• Barriers and opportunities are identified and action plans are developed and presented to CQMC
• The results of the survey are analyzed, evaluated and reported to the CQMC

X. Reporting Requirements

Collection, analysis and reporting

HAP MHP submits reports to Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Office of Financial and Insurance Services (OFIS), Data Validation, HEDIS auditors, and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). HAP MHP collects and reports quality measures and fulfills all other reporting requirements.

The following is a current listing of the MMP reporting requirements:

• HEDIS measures
• CAHPS survey results
• HOS survey results
• Part C Reporting Elements: benefit utilization, appeals, complaints, grievances, procedure frequency, network adequacy, serious reportable events
• Quality Withhold Measures
• Part D Reporting Elements: Coverage determinations and exceptions, enrollment, appeals, fraud, waste and abuse, LTC utilization, Pharmacy and Therapeutics committee, discounts and other price concessions
• Core and MI Specific Measures
• Medication Therapy Management Program
• CCIP and QIP projects due annually
• Contact changes for HPMS and Acumen on an ongoing basis
• Bid (PBP and PBT) by first week in June
• Annual audited financial statements
• Plan to plan reconciliation
• Prescription drug events
• Direct and indirect remuneration (DIR) monthly submissions
• Critical incidents and reports of abuse
• Grievances and appeals related to ADA rights and reasonable accommodations

Reporting Process

Throughout the year, CMS informs contractors of required reports through emails from HPMS. It is the responsibility of the Compliance Department to ensure the most up to date memos, requirements, technical specifications, or templates are distributed to the appropriate staff. HAP MHP utilizes an Online Monitoring Tool (OMT) that is an oversight and performance management program created to track compliance items and actions. It enables business areas to have all Medicare-related regulations, corrective action steps and measurement in a single software and location. OMT is a web-based, hosted solution software system. Access is controlled by individual HAP MHP administrators. HAP MHP currently utilizes the “notices” module of OMT which allows for memo analysis and assignment. This allows HAP MHP to document compliance with HPMS memos and review actions taken in response. Tasks and reminders associated with HPMS memos are documented and can be reassigned if staffing changes occur.

A schedule of the name of the report, the due date, and who is responsible for submitting the report is developed annually using the Part C and D technical and reporting specifications and the Core and MI specific reporting requirements. This is referred to as the Medicare Reporting Requirements Timeline Workbook. This reporting timeline compiles the reporting for Part C, Part D, HEDIS, Core and MI specific reporting requirements, access and availability, care coordination and transitions, health and wellbeing, mental and behavioral health, patient and caregiver experience, screening, prevention and quality of life, waiver reporting requirements and other reports required by CMS. HAP MHP responds in a timely manner to data quality inadequacies identified by MDHHS and CMS and corrects those inadequacies.

Reporting procedure

HAP MHP has a process to ensure the accuracy and timeliness of reports. This process begins no later than 3 weeks prior to the due date of the report.

• Each Department report owner reviews the calendar, requirements, technical specifications, and reporting schedule.
• Each Department report owner is responsible for overseeing the required reports. The compliance team reviews completed reports for data integrity and accuracy.
• Once the report is determined to be accurate, the report is uploaded to the appropriate submission location.
• The report owners along with compliance are responsible to ensure the report is submitted prior to the due date.
• HAP MHP participates in data validation audits for reporting. These audits help ensure data accuracy of the reporting elements.

XI. Part D Medication Therapy Management (MTMP) Reporting

Collection, analysis, reporting, ensuring accuracy and actions

HAP MHP works closely with the Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) Magellan, in developing the Medication Therapy Management Program. Annually, the Medical Director, Pharmacy Director, Pharmacy Technician, Health Services Director and Quality Improvement Director meet and discuss the
criteria for the MTMP. Results and past clinical reports from the PBM on the MTMP are also reviewed. The requirements outlined in the Part D technical and reporting specifications are reviewed. These data sources are used to develop the MTMP. HAP MHP and the PBM take into consideration the dual eligible population and that the members may be on multiple medications that must be monitored closely. The most common health conditions are targeted with the development of criteria for enrollment into the program, member and provider interventions, resources and outcomes to be measured. The template for the MTMP is populated by the PBM and the Director of Pharmacy inputs the data into HPMS. The PBM implements the program per the specifications in the MTMP. The PBM monitors and conducts oversight to ensure accuracy of the data. The data entry into HPMS is completed by two staff members to confirm data integrity. The PBM prepares and sends quarterly “MTMP Reporting Packages” to HAP MHP. These reports include a summary of the interventions data by disease category, detailed intervention activity per quarter, per intervention, and these reports provide information regarding the number of interventions that were identified as successful. For most interventions to be considered successful, the participant must have remained on the new therapy for at least 6 months. To help ensure accuracy of the medication therapy measures and their implementation, HAP MHP conducts oversight of the PBM with spot checks to ensure the information contained in the reports matches the numbers that are reported to HPMS. HAP MHP determines what actions to take based on the outcomes of the MTMP. The actions can include adjustments to the annual program (such as changing member or provider interventions, or adding or deleting conditions to monitor). HAP MHP also takes into consideration member and provider feedback when changing the MTM program.

XII. Communication on Quality Improvement Program with Stakeholders

HAP MHP’s CQIP is administered by a multidisciplinary Clinical Quality Management Committee (CQMC) which includes administrative staff, physicians, and other clinical and quality personnel. The individual components of the CQIP are the responsibility of the HAP MHP Quality Improvement (QI) personnel. An annual evaluation of the effectiveness of the CQIP is conducted by internal QI staff and the members of the CQMC. The CQMC meets every other month and reviews reports and results of studies. Examples may include PCP satisfaction surveys, HEDIS results, MTMP, program documents and evaluations and network analysis. The CQMC then makes recommendations for any necessary changes. The activities of the Committee are reported to the Board of Directors. HAP MHP obtains feedback from the Advisory Council. In addition to the committee and board members, HAP MHP facilitates the participation of providers and the interdisciplinary care team in the Quality Improvement Program in the following ways:

- Provider newsletter education articles
- PCP access to a web-based portal that identifies gaps in care for their members
- PCPs receive an annual satisfaction survey regarding satisfaction with the QI program, Health Outreach programs, Case Management and Utilization Review processes.
- The Quality Improvement Program, Work Plan and Annual Evaluation of the QIP are on HAP MHP’s website

HAP MHP MMP facilitates the participation of the members and caregivers in the QI program through:

- Representation on the Advisory Council
- Member Satisfaction Survey
- The Quality Improvement Program, Work Plan and Annual Evaluation of the QIP are on HAP MHP’s website.
Communication of Improvements:

HAP MHP works to improve quality of care on a daily basis. An annual review of all the activities described in the CQIP is conducted and presented to the CQMC and then to the Board of Directors. The annual evaluation is also summarized in the provider newsletters and the CQIP and annual evaluation are posted to the HAP MHP website.

XIII. Program Structure

Authority

HAP MHP’s CQIP is commissioned by the Board of Directors and reports to the governing body. The Chief Medical Officer or designee delegates the responsibility and authority for establishing, maintaining and supporting the CQIP.

The Board of Directors, at each of its regular meetings, receives and addresses reports regarding the status of the ongoing CQIP, member complaints and grievances, credentialing information, policies and procedures, results of audits and surveys, and utilization management reports.

The Chief Medical Officer, through the Clinical Quality Management Committee (CQMC), is accountable for:

- Overseeing the CQIP and assuring that all program functions are coordinated and integrated,
- Assuring that the CQIP is defined and understood by all those involved in the process,
- Developing and assuring proper documentation of the CQIP activities

The Behavioral Health Care Practitioner representative, through the CQMC, is responsible for advising the CQMC on behavioral health care activities such as:

- Guideline review and approval,
- Peer review activities,
- Consultant for utilization issues, and
- Assistance with the activities required for continuity of care between PCPs and behavioral health providers

Resources

The Manager of Quality Management is committed full time to developing and implementing the CQIP. Additional support staff include:

- Chief Medical Officer
- Vice President (VP) Quality
- Corporate Compliance Officer
- Director of Quality Management
- Quality Coordinator
- Clinical Quality Coordinator
- Quality Analyst
- Director of Health Services
- Case Management and Utilization Management staff
Support Processes

Many processes are involved in the development and implementation of the goals set forth in the CQIP. Member services support occurs through the monitoring of customer calls and member transfers. All member inquiries, complaints, and appeals are tracked and investigated.

Credentialing processes also support the CQIP by performance of credentialing and re-credentialing activities, overseeing the performance of the delegated credentialing entities and record file reviews. Credentialing activities are reported to the CQMC.

Additional support processes include utilization management activities. Many utilization management (UM) activities are evaluated on a continuous basis. Continuous monitors include inpatient admission rate, readmission rate, emergency department utilization, and pharmacy utilization. The UM program monitors top diagnoses, under and over-utilization, HEDIS reports, and various ad hoc reports. The UM program, evaluation, and other related activities are reported to the CQMC.

The Performance Improvement team supports the CQIP by providing tobacco cessation program and high risk and routine pregnancy programs. Preventive care reminders are sent for mammograms, pap smears, colorectal cancer screening, diabetes screening, immunizations, and annual physicals.

Provider Services assists with network analysis, provider satisfaction surveys, processing the provider newsletters, provider education, and office staff education. These activities are also integral processes that support the CQIP. Provider administrative manuals, directories, and newsletters are available on the website. Activities are reported to the CQMC as needed.

The Information Technology Department supports hardware and software capable of collecting, analyzing and integrating data to assist in the CQMC activities, and ensuring data is complete and reliable. The data warehouse is the main source for all reporting. The data warehouse stores all electronic data and is backed up regularly.

Committee Structure

The following committees assist in carrying out the duties and responsibilities to ensure our members are receiving quality care. These committees include representatives from the health plan and network providers.

Committee minutes are recorded at each meeting and reflect key discussion points, decisions, rationale, planned actions, and follow-up. Minutes are maintained in confidential files. The minutes are retained as required by the State of Michigan, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, and jurisdictions empowered to impose such requirements.

Physician Leadership
The Chief Medical Officer is responsible for oversight of the Quality Program and the Clinical Quality Management Committee. He/she is accountable to the HAP & HAP MHP Board of Directors for the Quality Program and reports regularly to the Board and/or their Quality Committee on activities, progress, and outcomes of the quality program. A Vice President Quality Management and Credentialing is designated to work closely with the Director of Quality and Associate Vice President of Performance Improvement Quality and Credentialing in the implementation of the Quality Program. Duties of the Vice President Quality Management and Credentialing include but are not limited to Chair of the Clinical Quality Management Committee, participation on the Peer Review Committee, the Credentialing Committee, the Credentialing Oversight Committee, and ongoing consultative support for all Quality Program activities. Physician involvement in appropriate population health management and preventive health improvement programs is provided by designated Medical Directors assigned to individual project teams.

The Vice President Quality Management and Credentialing lead the review of alignment of the program interventions with evidence-based guidelines and provides ongoing consultative support for all Population Health Management preventive health programs.

The Medical Director for Behavioral Medicine is involved in all behavioral health aspects of the Quality Program. Duties of the Medical Director for Behavioral Medicine include but are not limited to participation on the CQMC, Credentialing Committee, Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, Coordinated Behavioral Health Management (CBHM) Quality and Utilization Improvement Committee, Clinical Quality Management Committee, Benefit Advisory Committee, and Chronic Care Advisory Committee as well as serving as clinical expert for the behavioral health Population Health Management project team. The CBHM Medical Director provides ongoing consultative support for all behavioral health quality activities, Population Health Management, preventive health programs, and utilization management.

Clinical Quality Management Committee (CQMC) (Formerly the QIC)

The Board of Directors, through the Medical Director, delegates to the CQMC the responsibility for integrating the HAP MHP CQIP. The CQMC is a coordinating, advisory body for all plans and programs that relate to monitoring and evaluating quality and appropriateness of member care and services. The activities of the CQMC are reported to the Board of Directors.

The Vice President Quality Management and Credentialing chairs the Clinical Quality Management Committee. The CQMC includes practitioners from the HAP & HAP MHP delivery system, research or administrative representatives of practitioner groups, HAP’s Senior Medical Directors, and HAP senior staff. The CQMC evaluates and approves the Quality Program and Work Plan, annual evaluation, and monitors progress toward meeting program goals and objectives. The CQMC oversees patient safety, clinical, administrative, and service quality improvement throughout the plan; recommends policy decisions; and is accountable to the Board through its Quality Committee. Executive Summaries of CQMC outcomes are presented during the Board meetings. The CQMC is comprised of HFHS physicians, HAP network physicians, HAP/ HAP MHP Board members, HAP Senior Medical Directors, and representatives from Quality, Case Management, Population Health Management, Coordinated Behavioral Health Management, and the Medicare division. The committee meets a minimum of five times per year.

A number of organizational committees or subcommittees are charged with functions linked to support
the Quality Program. These committees and subcommittees provide reports to the CQMC as applicable, at least once a year and upon request.

Primary Committee Functions:

- Integration and evaluation of HAP MHP’s CQIP
- Review and evaluate the quality improvement activities
- Institute needed actions and ensure follow-up, as appropriate
- Recommend policy decisions
- Periodic and annual review of continuous monitoring activities
- Annual review of all HAP MHP policies and procedures

Annual review of:

- CQIP: Program, evaluation, work plan, and calendar
- UM and CM programs and evaluations
- Credentialing and re-credentialing program
- Pharmacy: Program and evaluation
- Compliance Program
- Customer Service
- Provider Network
- QI related initiatives

The CQMC meets at least every other month with additional meetings as deemed necessary. The Medical Director reports CQMC activities to the Board of Directors. The reporting is a part of the Board’s meeting minutes.

The following committees report to the CQMC:

- Compliance Subcommittee
- Credentialing Subcommittee
- Health Care Management Compliance Oversight Committee
- Pharmacy, Benefits and New Technology Subcommittee
- Other committees, as deemed necessary

**Corporate Compliance Committee**

Objective: The HAP Corporate Compliance Committee is established by the Chief Executive Officer to foster a culture of compliance by providing leadership, oversight and guidance for the development, implementation and monitoring of HAP’s compliance and ethics programs and HAP’s compliance policies and procedures. HAP MHP is committed to conducting its business with honesty and integrity consistent with the highest standards of good business and professional ethics following all applicable laws, regulations, professional organization requirements and HAP policies and procedures.

Additional Responsibilities:

Serves to prevent violations of applicable laws, regulations, federal/state contract obligations, and professional organization requirements as well as supports and protects the rights of HAP members and other stakeholders.

Proactively audits and monitors to identify violations of laws, regulations and applicable professional
organization requirements and provides appropriate response, mitigation and remediation to any such misconduct as soon as it is suspected or discovered.

Oversees compliance of HAP MHP with regulations including NCQA privacy guidelines and the HIPAA federal privacy and security regulations on a company and subsidiary wide basis.

Membership
- President and Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Compliance Officer
- Chief Financial Officer
- Chief Information Officer
- Chief Marketing Officer
- Chief Medical Officer
- Chief Operating Officer
- Deputy General Counsel
- Vice President, Human Resources

Regular attendees, but non-voting membership, shall include:
- Chief Compliance Officer, Henry Ford Health System
- Compliance Director, Business Compliance
- Compliance Director, Government Programs

Chairperson: HAP’s Chief Compliance Officer
Meeting Frequency: Meets Monthly

Credentialing Subcommittee

The Credentialing Subcommittee reports to the CQMC and meets semimonthly to consider candidates for credentialing or re-credentialing. Re-credentialing of providers takes place every three years. The re-credentialing process includes a review of practitioner sanctions, complaints, and important quality and safety measures.

The minutes, recommendations, and actions of the committee are submitted to the Clinical Quality Management Committee and then the Board of Directors for approval.

The members of the Credentialing Subcommittee include:
- Chief Medical Officer
- HAP Credentialing Manager
- Quality Improvement Director
- Practicing HAP MHP clinicians
- Practitioners on the panel of board certified expert consultants

The primary committee functions are to:
- Establish the standards for the credentialing and re-credentialing program
- Conduct a quality review of the information contained in the applications, determine whether providers meet HAP MHP standards or not, and recommend HAP MHP participation or denial to the Board of Directors based on their quality review
- Review of the delegated credentialing agreements, and the results of delegated credentialing
activities (oversight, monitoring and quality review), and make recommendations based on the results
- Yearly review of credentialing and re-credentialing policies and procedures
- Review of any credentialing continuous monitor results and make recommendations based on the results

HCM Compliance Oversight Committee

The Health Care Management Compliance Oversight Committee is a multi-disciplinary committee whose purpose is to oversee and assure adherence to the CMS and NCQA utilization management (UM), case management (CM) and disease management (DM) standards. Responsibilities include monitoring compliance of UM, CM and DM policies & procedures, internal auditing of internal departments and delegated entities, and implementing corrective action where applicable.

The members of the HealthCare Management Subcommittee include:
- Chief Medical Officer (chairperson)
- Chief Executive Officer
- VP Clinical Services
- Director of Quality Management
- Director of Health Services
- Director of Pharmacy
- Manager of Customer Service
- Compliance Officer
- Practicing HAP MHP clinicians
- Behavioral health representative
- Practitioners on the panel of board certified expert consultants, as needed
- Others, as deemed appropriate

Major Activities:
- Monitor for compliance with NCQA, CMS and other regulatory UM, CM and DM standards
- Evaluate, update, and approve program documents, policies and procedures for HAP and its delegates
- Evaluate and approve pre-delegation assessments
- Review and evaluate medical management policies
- Review quarterly activity reports submitted by the delegates
- Ensure that clinical criteria are annually reviewed
- Review medical management audits involving timeliness and appropriateness of approvals and denials
- Initiate corrective action plans when necessary for HAP and its delegated entities
- Ensure that inter-rater reviews are performed and evaluated
- Ensure that HAP uses licensed health care professionals

Challenges:
- Compliance issues arising from merger of HAP, HealthPlus and HAP Midwest
- Challenges associated with interpretation of standards
• Challenges associated with maintaining compliance with the standards
• Developing ways that allow HAP’s medical management platform, CareRadius, to enhance compliance capabilities
• Managing the complexity of the NCQA and CMS regulations

Pharmacy Benefits and New Technologies Subcommittee

The Pharmacy Benefits and New Technologies Subcommittee monitors pharmaceutical utilization for possible quality concerns and make recommendations on drug utilization and evaluation. The HAP MHP formulary is updated and approved annually by CMS. The Subcommittee assists in ensuring that communication with members correctly and thoroughly represents the benefits and operating procedures of HAP MHP. The Pharmacy, Benefits and New Technologies Subcommittee meets quarterly with additional meetings as deemed necessary. The minutes, recommendations, and actions of the committee are submitted to the CQMC and then the Board of Directors for its approval. The reporting becomes a part of the Board’s meeting minutes.

The members of the Pharmacy, Benefits and New Technologies Subcommittee include:

• Physician representatives from HAP & HAP MHP contracted networks
• HAP Medical Directors
• Geriatric Physician
• Geriatric Pharmacist
• Practicing HAP MHP clinicians
• Pharmacists
• Representative from the Pharmacy Benefits Management company
• Practitioners on the panel of board certified expert consultants as needed
• Others, as deemed appropriate

The duties and functions of the committee are as follows:

• Preferred drug list development and maintenance (as administered by the PBM)
• Benefit specifications definition
• Pharmacy network development and administration (as administered by the PBM)
• Drug utilization review and recommendations
• Oversight of Pharmacy Benefits Management Program

The MI Health Link (MMP) Advisory Council

The Advisory Council is established by the Compliance Officer to foster a culture of patient centeredness by providing leadership, oversight and guidance for the development, implementation and monitoring of HAP MHP’s MMP program, policies, and procedures.

The members of the Advisory Council include:

• Compliance Officer (Liaison to the Board)
• Health services staff
• Members (mandatory 1/3 of composition of council)
• Stakeholder from the Area Agency on Aging
• Stakeholder from the mental health community
• Others as deemed appropriate for the MI Health Link program

The duties and functions are:
• Review and monitor the effectiveness of HAP MHP’s MMP Program, including reviewing the results of care coordination activities and results of quality monitoring and audits
• Review and provide input into HAP MHP’s MMP policies and procedures, member communications, and training materials that are designed to be responsive to the various requirements in the MMP program
• Ensure HAP MHP has policies and practices to address the operation of HAP MHP’s MMP
• Using information presented at the council meetings to give input, suggestions for improvement and feedback on ways to improve the program
• Review and understand the reports and results presented as well as oversee implementation and validation of corrective actions, if necessary
• Receive and review feedback from the Board

HAP MHP’s Advisory Council, through its Chairperson (Compliance Officer), makes quarterly reports of the activities conducted and any recommendations to the Clinical Quality Management Committee and the Board of Directors.

Evaluation

HAP MHP completes an annual evaluation of the CQIP. Results are submitted to the QI Committee and Board of Directors. Results become the basis for the next year’s work plan. The CQIP and annual evaluation are made available to members and providers upon request and are also found on the website.

Approval

The annual revisions to the CQIP description and the QI Work Plan are approved by the Clinical Quality Management Committee and Board of Directors.

Confidentiality of Committee Information

HAP MHP is responsible for implementing mechanisms to protect the confidentiality of all information obtained or generated during committee meetings. This includes results of record reviews and other information HAP MHP obtains from facilities and providers on the health care services received by covered members.