

Wisconsin Ryan White COVID-19 Performance Measure Group Charter

Background

On September 10, 2020, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) released a Dear Colleague letter asking recipients of Ryan White funding to:

- Document the changes to clinical and programmatic operations and workflows that may have had an effect on performance measures data, particularly retention and viral suppression.
- Ensure performance measure thresholds and payment models using performance measure thresholds account for any changes in service delivery during this period.
- Address and document the impact COVID-19 has had on health outcomes.
- Continue to follow the HHS HIV medical practice guidelines, including the antiretroviral and COVID-19 guidelines.

Purpose

The Wisconsin Ryan White COVID-19 Performance Measure Group was formed to monitor the impact of COVID-19 response on client health outcomes and Wisconsin's Ryan White performance measures.

Goals

- Share information regarding the impacts of the COVID-19 response on client health and performance measure outcomes.
- Analyze the impact of changes to clinical and program operations in response to COVID-19 on performance measurement.
- Adjust Wisconsin Ryan White performance measures in response to clinical and program operations changes due to COVID-19.

Activities

- Monitor performance measures on a quarterly basis. Aggregate data will be presented by the HIV care epidemiologist.
- Adjust performance measures as needed in response to program changes.
- Share best practices for collecting, analyzing, and reviewing performance measures.
- Report any changes to performance measures to the Ryan White Quality Collaborative.

Membership

- Membership is open to staff at any Ryan White Part B-funded agency in Wisconsin.
- DHS Communicable Disease Harm Reduction Section staff will include the HIV care epidemiologist, the Ryan White program coordinator, and other staff as needed.

Membership Expectations

- Meetings will occur quarterly before the Wisconsin Quarterly Report is due, or more often as needed.
- Meetings will last no more than one hour.