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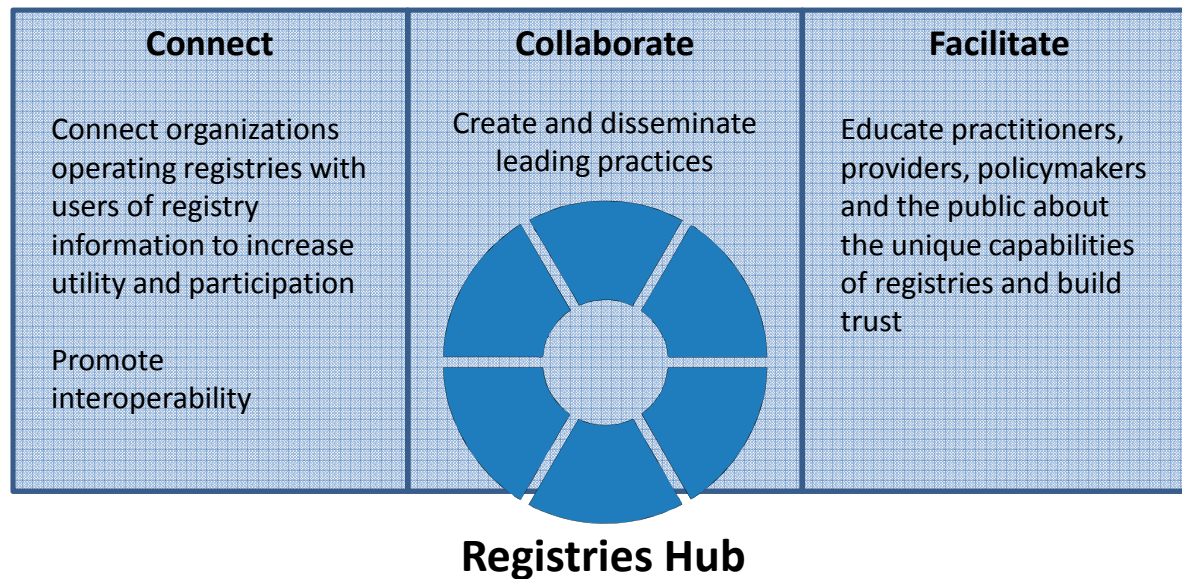**NQRN®** National Quality Registry Network

CMSS ITG: NQRN Update and Discussion

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This presentation is a general overview of NQRN®.
For more information, please visit **nqrn.org**.

NQRN: A Learning Hub for Registry Stewards

The National Quality Registry Network (NQRN®) is a voluntary network of organizations operating registries and others interested in increasing the usefulness of clinical registries to measure and improve patient health outcomes.
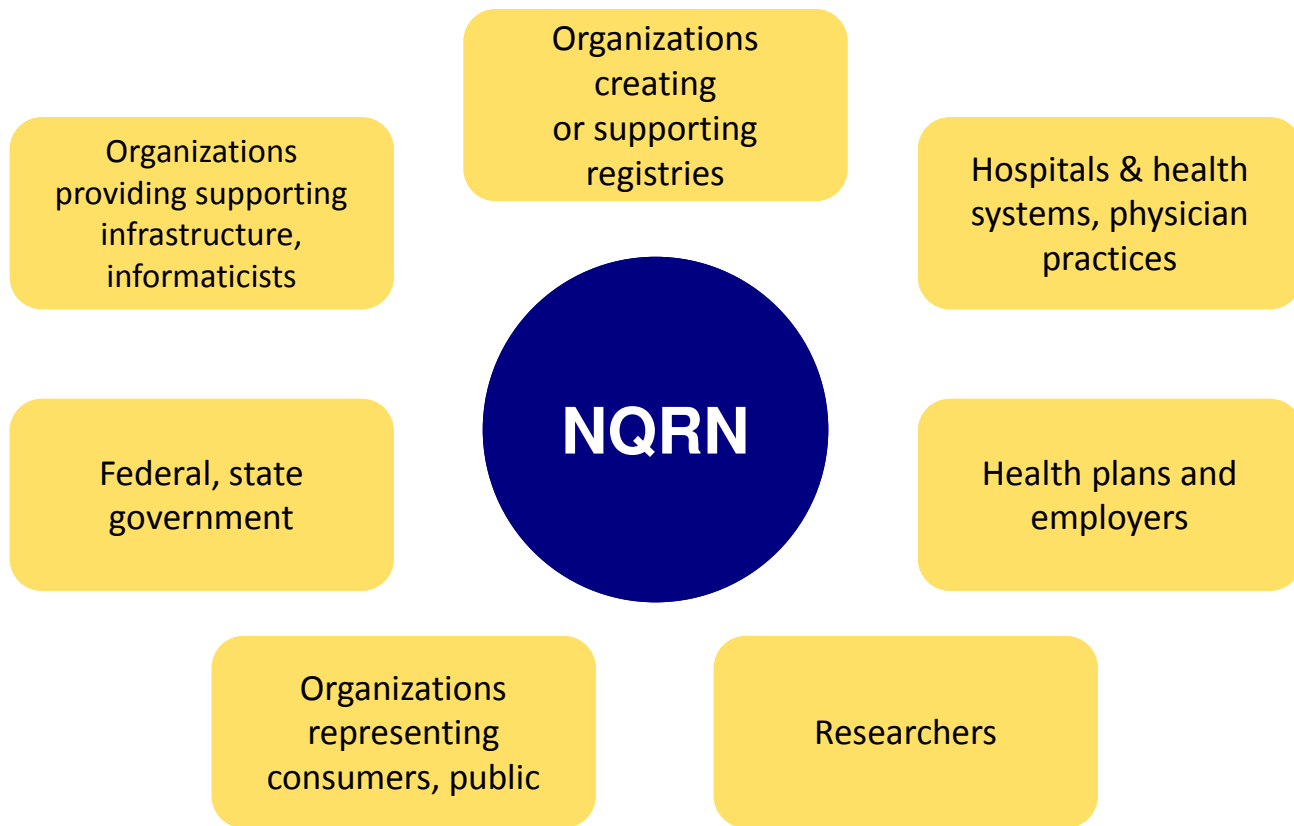
Connect	Collaborate	Facilitate
Connect organizations operating registries with users of registry information to increase utility and participation Promote interoperability	Create and disseminate leading practices	Educate practitioners, providers, policymakers and the public about the unique capabilities of registries and build trust

Registries Hub

NQRN Steering Committee

Co-chairs: David Shahian, MD, Lewis Sandy, MD

Representative	Organization
Kevin Bozic, MD, MBA	California Joint Replacement Registry
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NQRN Council

More than 80 organizations participate in the NQRN Council

Organizations creating or supporting registries

Organizations providing supporting infrastructure, informaticists

Hospitals & health systems, physician practices

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Federal, state government

Health plans and employers

Organizations representing consumers, public

Researchers

NQRN Learning Activities

Leading Practices Webinars

2015 to date:

- The Swedish registries
- Registry of Patient Registries (RoPR)
- Watch for announcements on the next webinars in the series!

2014:

- Vendor selection
- Data security
- Participant recruitment
- Device surveillance

2013:

- Quality Oncology Practice Initiative (QOPI)
- National Cardiology Data Registry (NCDR)

Conferences

2015 annual meeting:

- Uses of registry information including QI collaboratives and value-based payment
- Measure development
- Public reporting

2014 annual meeting

- HIPAA and the Common Rule grey area for registries
- Electronic quality measures (eCQMs) accelerating the ability of registries to improve outcomes
- Early learnings from CMS Qualified Clinical Data Registries

2013 meeting: Maturational Framework

- Advance a clinical registry maturational framework to evaluate registry capabilities

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Learning Resources:

- NQRN meeting presentations
- Webinar recordings
- Registry inventory
- QCDR guide
- "What is a registry?"
- Maturational framework public version
- Registry FAQ
- Registry vendor assessment
- Additional information about NQRN

Collaboration Portal:

Ask questions and get answers on registry related topics. Collaborate with your colleagues on new NQRN resources!

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2015 – 2017 Strategic Goals

Goal	Objectives
Goal 1: Become a hub for creating and disseminating leading practices and guidance to the registry enterprise	• **Objective A:** Resources to assist registry organizations • **Objective B:** Measure how well NQRN meets participants' needs • **Objective C:** Help participants network, and share leading practices
Goal 2: Encourage active participation in registries by physicians, other health care professionals, hospitals, health systems and patients	• **Objective A:** Promote registries to external audiences • **Objective B:** Support the QCDR program
Goal 3: Support the increased use of registries by health plans, employers, patients, consumers, federal and state government by increasing their value for these stakeholders	• **Objective A:** Support public reporting using • **Objective B:** Assist organizations operating or planning registries in evaluating registry maturity
Goal 4: Advocate for a supportive regulatory environment and interoperability	• **Objective A:** Assist registries in supporting multiple uses while protecting privacy through compliance • **Objective B:** Promote interoperability
Goal 5: Educate policymakers and the public about the unique capabilities of clinical registries	• **Objective A:** Federal government representatives participate in NQRN committees and meetings • **Objective B:** Create or disseminate information about registries reaching a broad audience
Goal 6: Secure external funding to achieve the goals of the NQRN and ensure long term sustainability	• **Objective A:** Create a sustainable business plan • **Objective B:** Seek grant and sponsorship opportunities

Join the NQRN!

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