

# **Clarifications, Technical Corrections, and Policy Changes**

# **to the Technical Specifications for the**

# **MassHealth Cambridge Health Alliance Hospital Quality and Equity Incentives Program**

# **Performance Year 2**

This document outlines clarifications, technical corrections, and policy changes to the Technical Specifications for Performance Year (PY2) of the MassHealth Cambridge Health Alliance Hospital Quality and Equity Incentives Program (CHA-HQEIP). Updates are incorporated into the change log table below.

MassHealth’s working definitions for clarification, technical correction and policy changes are as follows:

**Clarification** is additional information that explains an existing requirement.

**Technical Correction** is a change made to rectify an error in the technical specification.

**Policy Update** is a modification of an existing requirement.

| **Measure Name** | **Page #** | **Type of Update** | **Section Header** | **Update** | **Update release date** |
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| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Race Data Completeness | 6 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Hispanic Data Completeness | 14 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Preferred Language Data Completeness | 22 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Disability Data Completeness | 34 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Sexual Orientation Data Completeness | 48 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Gender Identity Data Completeness | 56 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| Health-Related Social Needs | 65 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| Health-Related Social Needs | 67 | Clarification | Administrative Specification | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| Meaningful Access to Healthcare Services for Individuals with a Preferred Language other than English  | 85 | Clarification | Eligible Population | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| Disability Accommodation Needs | 96 | Technical Correction | Definition— Patient with Self-reported Disability | Revised ages for each of the six questions to align with the ages listed in the RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Disability Data Completeness measure (under Eligible Population) | 5/19/25 |
| Meaningful Access to Healthcare Services for Individuals with a Preferred Language other than English | 85 & 87 | Clarification | Eligible Population and Administrative Specifications | Addition of “language services documentation system (e.g., vendor logs)” as an acceptable source of documentation  | 5/19/25 |
| Health-Related Social Needs (Ambulatory) | 111 | Clarification | Administrative Specification | Removed “pending” and replaced with “*with* permission from NCQA” | 5/19/25 |
| RELD SOGI Data Completeness – Disability Data Completeness | 36 & 37 | Technical Correction | Administrative Specification— Numerator Set | Revised ages for each of the six questions to align with the ages listed under Eligible Population | 7/2/25 |
| Equity Improvement Interventions | 81 & 82 | Technical Correction | Performance Requirements and Assessment | Revised information to reflect only PY2 submission requirements | 7/2/25 |
| Health-Related Social Needs (Ambulatory) | 108 | Clarification | Measure Summary | Edited the description of the measures to clarify percentage of encounters | 7/2/25 |
| Health-Related Social Needs (Ambulatory) | 111 | Clarification | Administrative Specification— Numerator | Clarified patients may be screened in other settings than Primary Care within the measurement year | 7/2/25 |
| Equity Improvement Intervention (Ambulatory) | 124 | Technical Correction | Performance Requirements and Assessment | Added information on report scoring, which was previously provided to CHA through report deliverables | 7/2/25 |
| Community Collaboration Equity Improvement Intervention (Ambulatory) | 127 | Technical Correction | Performance Requirements and Assessment | Added information on report scoring, which was previously provided to CHA through report deliverables | 7/2/25 |