

2025 Quality Pool Distribution Plan Template

Due: August 29, 2025

Purpose

Exh. B, Pt. 10, Sec. 4, Para. e in the 2025 Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) contract describes the requirement for each CCO to create a written distribution plan for its Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings. The CCO must also make its plan publicly available. The purpose of the plan is to inform the CCO's Participating Providers, including Social Determinants of Health and Equity (SDOH-E) and public health partners, about CCO strategies and processes for distribution of Quality Pool funds.

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has developed this reporting template to ensure CCOs meet the contract requirements and to give Participating Providers and other interested parties clear and consistent information about CCO strategies for Quality Pool distribution.

Instructions

The CCO must answer all questions in this template to satisfy the contract requirements. Supporting materials and links may be provided, but they must only supplement the answers provided in the template document. A person reading the CCO's responses provided in this template should have a clear and complete picture of the CCO's Quality Pool distribution, without reliance on any other sources.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific question, this template pertains only to Quality Pool funds received in 2025 (Distribution Year 2025) for achievement of 2024 incentive metrics (Measurement Year 2024).

All references to "Quality Pool" within this template include both Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings.

Process

The completed Quality Pool Distribution Plan template is due to OHA via the CCO Contract Deliverables [Portal](#) by August 29, 2025. (The submitter must have an OHA account to access the portal). The CCO must also make the completed template publicly available on its website.

OHA will review the submitted template for completeness. If any response is found to be incomplete, OHA will notify the CCO via the portal. The CCO will then have 30 days to provide the requested additional information. The CCO should not publicly post its completed template until it receives confirmation from OHA that no additional information is needed.

Questions?

Any questions about the template should be directed to metrics.questions@odhsoha.oregon.gov.

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Contract Number:

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1. Provide an overview of the methodology and/or strategy your CCO uses to distribute Quality Pool and Challenge Pool earnings to Participating Providers, including SDOH-E and public health partners.

For measurement year 2024, Jackson Care Connect's Board of Directors approved allocating 25% of quality pool and challenge pool earnings to be paid directly to delivery network partners (including primary care and dental partners) proportional to their relative contribution on 12 of the 15 CCO Incentive metrics. The remaining 75% was reserved by the CCO to fund value-based payment programs that reward quality and value through to eligible primary care, behavioral health, dental, delegated, and community-based partners throughout the year.

New for this year, Jackson Care Connect allocated quality pool and challenge pool earnings proportional to three CCO incentive metrics to CareOregon to further fund value-based payments contracts with JCC's network partners (see measures listed below) in recognition of the work CareOregon does centrally to support performance for these metrics specifically.

The decision to allocate additional quality pool and challenge pool dollars to support value-based payment programs this year was made considering the continued financial challenges facing the healthcare delivery network. While distribution of quality pool funds through an annual payment based on metric contribution is an important source of financial support for the healthcare delivery network, the CCO's ability to support the network through consistent, contractually guaranteed funding throughout the year increases network stability while incentivizing continued quality improvement through set performance improvement targets in each value-based payment agreement.

Examples of value-based payment programs currently funding through quality pool and challenge pool earnings include (not an exhaustive list):

- Primary Care Payment Model (PCPM) for eligible primary care providers
- Quality Improvement Incentive Program (QIIP) for eligible behavioral health providers
- Alternative Payment Programs with delegated dental care organizations
- Pay-for-Performance agreements with local public health departments and community-based organizations to fund mobile health programs

2. Describe your CCO's process for evaluating the contributions of Participating Providers and how they may qualify for CCO distribution of Quality Pool earnings.

For the annual payments based on metric contribution, payments for eligible providers are determined based on the clinic system's relative numerator contribution to each applicable metric among their assigned members. Payments are then based on the clinic system's cumulative relative numerator contribution across the twelve CCO incentive metrics listed below. Relative numerator contribution is calculated for all metrics for which member-level data representing the full CCO population is available, regardless of whether Jackson Care Connect or the given clinic system met OHA's improvement target.

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For measurement year 2024, the following measures were used to assess total relative numerator contribution:

1. Childhood Immunization Status
2. Immunizations for Adolescents
3. Child Well-care Visits (age 3-6)
4. Screening for Depression and Follow-up
5. Cigarette Smoking Prevalence (paid on inverse performance)
6. SBIRT Rate 1 and Rate 2
7. Preventive Dental age 1-5 and 6-14
8. Oral Evaluation for Adults with Diabetes
9. DHS Assessments
10. Diabetes Poor Control (paid on inverse performance)
11. Initiation and Engagement in SUD Treatment
12. Meaningful Language Access

Quality pool and challenge pool earnings proportional to three CCO incentive metrics below were allocated to CareOregon to further fund value-based payment contracts with JCC's network partners in recognition of the work CareOregon does centrally to support performance for these metrics specifically.

1. Timeliness of Postpartum Care--this metric's performance is based on chart review for a sample of CCO membership
2. Social Emotional Issue-Focused Intervention and Treatment
3. Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Social Needs Screening and Referral

All pay-for-performance contracts include quality metrics with improvement targets that tie the partner's potential earnings to performance. Jackson Care Connect utilizes standardized quality metrics, such as CCO Incentive Metrics, CMS Core Measures, HEDIS measures, etc. as often as appropriate so ensure alignment with quality, equity, and transformation goals set by OHA. Improvement targets are set using the Minnesota Method (in alignment with OHA's Quality Pool program) and standard benchmarks such those available from NCQA, CMS, or OHA and the network partner's previous year performance.

- 3. Does your CCO's distribution strategy consider payments made previously to Participating Providers (such as up-front funding to a clinic or non-clinical partner that is intended to help the CCO achieve metrics related to the Quality Pool)? If yes, please describe.**

No. Quality Pool funding is in addition to and not dependent upon other payments. Performance assessment and corresponding payouts for all value-based payment contracts are also not dependent upon previous payments to participating providers.

- 4. Describe any changes your CCO plans to make to its process for distributing Quality Pool funds in future years (beyond MY2024).**

There are no current plans to revise the process for distributing Quality Pool funds in future years.

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5. Please provide a link to where the 2025 Quality Pool Distribution Plan (this document) will be publicly available on your CCO's website.

<https://jacksoncareconnect.org/for-providers/provider-resources>

<https://careoregon.org/providers/support>