How are Measures Selected for CheckPoint?

The CheckPoint website and contents are managed by a team of quality leaders from hospitals across Wisconsin. The Measures Team meets regularly, and their work includes making sure that the quality and safety measures included on CheckPoint meet specific criteria.

Each CheckPoint measure must go through several steps to make sure that the information in the measure is valuable to hospitals and the public.

Each measure is reviewed against the following questions:
1. Does the measure report on a high volume or high cost condition or procedure?
2. Does the measure focus on care that research indicates will improve patient outcomes or patient safety?
3. Does the measure look at care that most Wisconsin hospitals provide?
4. Is there a valid and reliable data source?
5. Will the information be of interest to consumers, purchasers and hospitals?
6. Does the measure focus on an important national or state health care issue?

Once a measure is selected and confirmed for inclusion on CheckPoint, each hospital is informed and given ample time to report the data. Generally, data for new measures are collected for up to 4 calendar quarters before being published.