

2012 EXTERNAL QUALITY REVIEW (EQR) PROTOCOLS

APPENDIX IV: EQR ACRONYMS

ACA	Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act)
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AMA PCPI	American Medical Association Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement
APCD	All-Payer Claims Database
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
BBA	Balanced Budget Act of 1997
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CHIPRA	Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CAHPS	Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
EQRO	External Quality Review Organization
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HEDIS®	Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set
HITECH	Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act
IPRO	Internal Peer Review Organization
ISCA	Information Systems Capability Assessment
JCAHO	The Joint Commission
MCO	Managed Care Organization
MRR	Medical Record Review

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NCQA	National Committee for Quality Assurance
PIHP	Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans
PIP	Performance Improvement Project
PRO	Peer Review Organization
QAPI	Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement
QI	Quality Improvement
QISMC	Quality Improvement System for Managed Care
SOW	Scope of Work