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Creating an Optimal Environment for Quality Healthcare for Individuals, Families, and Communities

Aligning Quality Measures and Programs:
The CMS National Quality Strategy in Action

AGENDA

- CMS National Quality Strategy (NQS) Overview

- NQS Accomplishments:
  - CMS Quality Measurement Portfolio
  - Health Equity
  - Maternal Morbidity and Mortality
  - Engagement

- Future Direction for the NQS
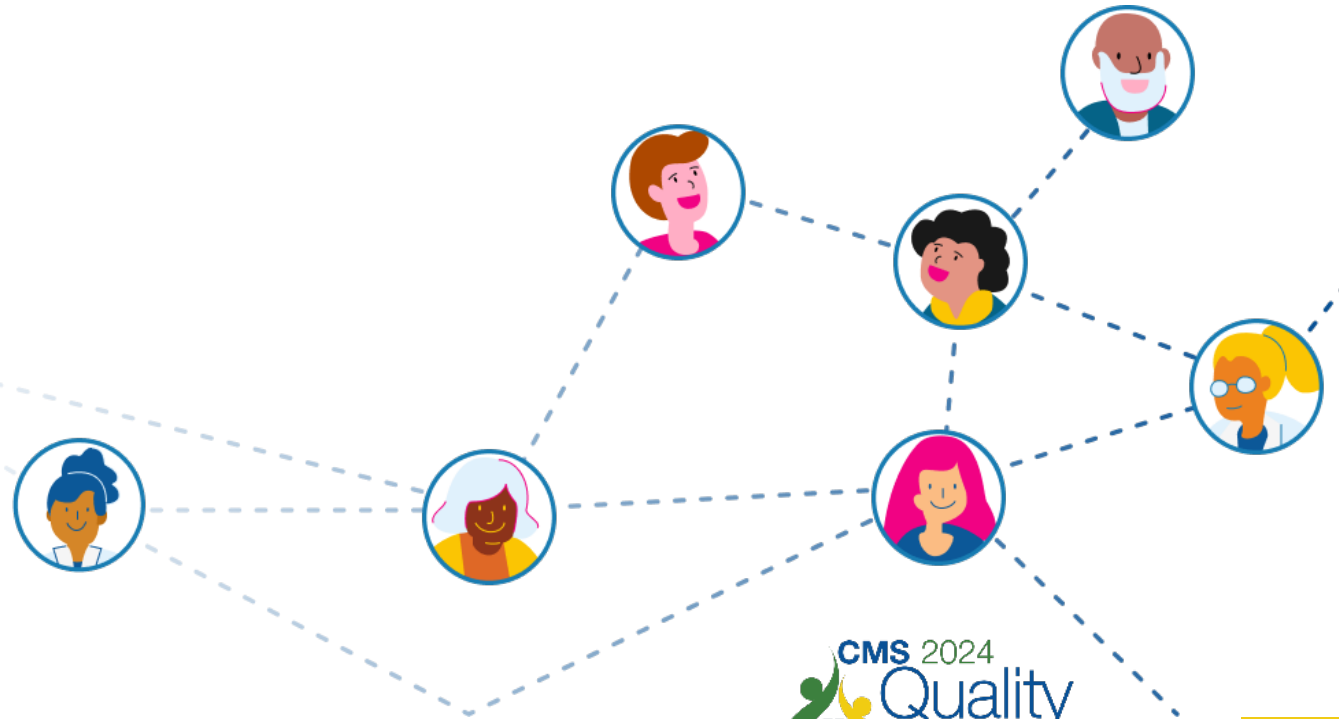
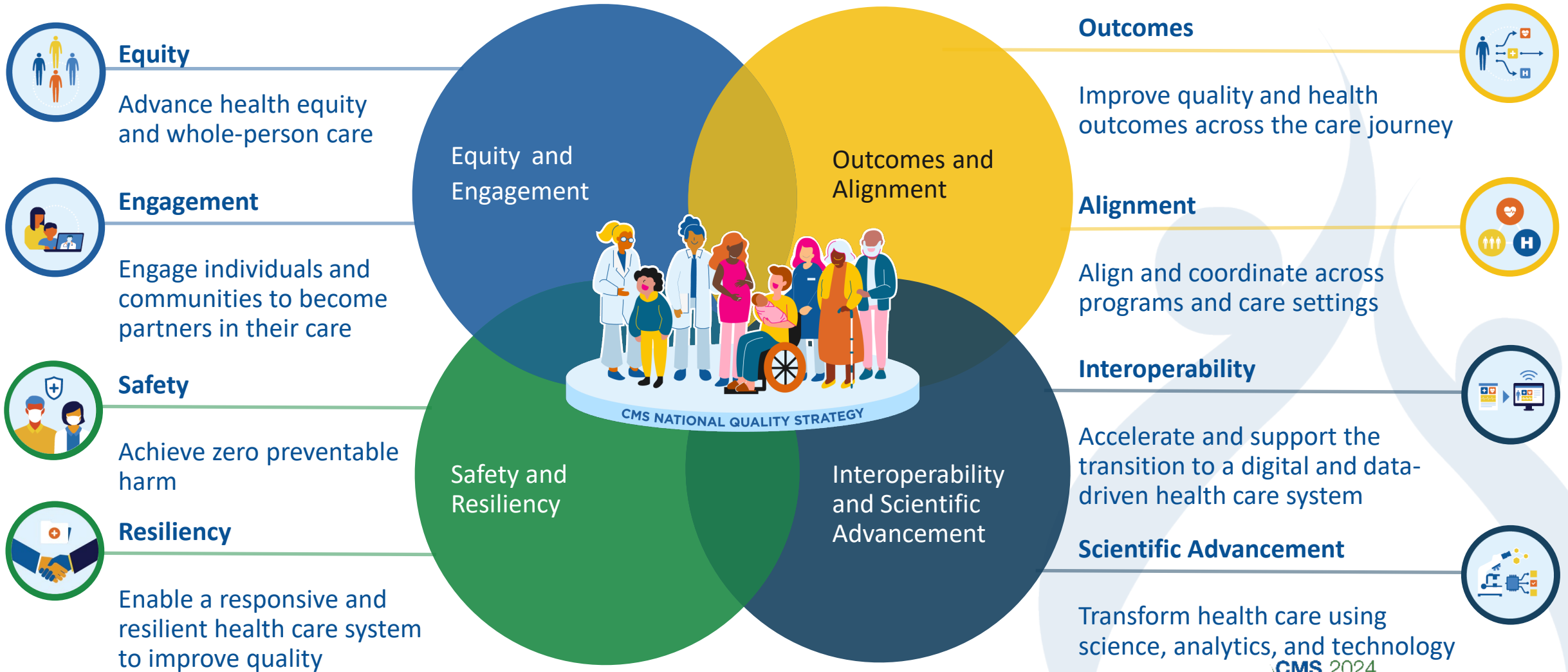# CMS National Quality Strategy Mission and Vision

Mission

To achieve optimal health and well-being for all individuals.

Vision

CMS, a trusted partner, is shaping a resilient, high-value American health care system that delivers high-quality, safe, and equitable care for all.


CMS NATIONAL QUALITY STRATEGY

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CMS National Quality Strategy Goals

Equity

Advance health equity and whole-person care

Engagement

Engage individuals and communities to become partners in their care

Safety

Achieve zero preventable harm

Resiliency

Enable a responsive and resilient health care system to improve quality

Equity and Engagement

Outcomes and Alignment

Safety and Resiliency

Interoperability and Scientific Advancement

CMS NATIONAL QUALITY STRATEGY

Outcomes

Improve quality and health outcomes across the care journey

Alignment

Align and coordinate across programs and care settings

Interoperability

Accelerate and support the transition to a digital and data-driven health care system

Scientific Advancement

Transform health care using science, analytics, and technology

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Streamlining the CMS Quality Measurement Portfolio

- Finalized the Adult and Pediatric Universal Foundation measure sets, along with add-on sets for maternity care, hospitals, and the post-acute care facilities
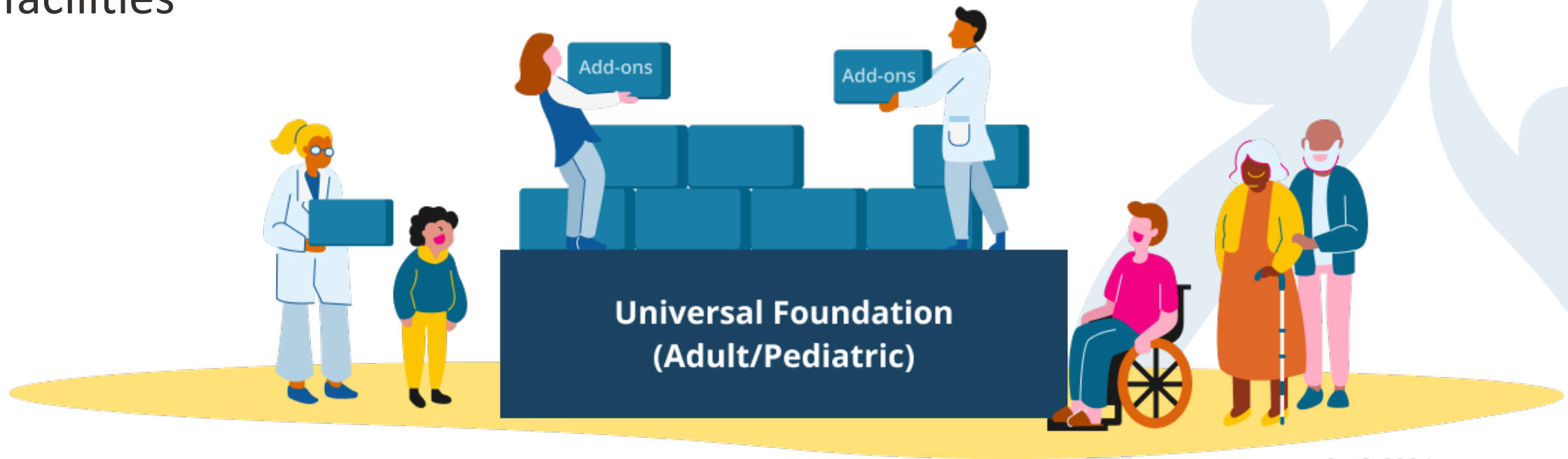
Advancing Health Equity

- Increased number of equity-focused measures across CMS programs
- Provided more confidential feedback reporting to measured entities
- Implemented Rewarding Excellence for Underserved Populations (REUP) across multiple programs
- Continued discussions on standard approach to data collection and stratification approaches
- Mandated stratification of Medicaid & CHIP Core Set measures
- Advanced Medicaid & CHIP data imputation and publication of equity data briefs

Addressing Maternal Morbidity and Mortality

- Released 'Birthing-Friendly' designation

- Began data reporting for the Severe Obstetric Complications (eCQM) measure in Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting (HIQR) Program

- Provided resources through the Improving Postpartum Care Learning Collaborative and the toolkit on Increasing Access, Quality, and Equity in Postpartum Care in Medicaid & CHIP

- Announced Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the new Transforming Maternal Health (TMaH) Model for state Medicaid agencies

- Announced 2024 CMS Medicaid & CHIP Maternal and Infant Health Initiative (MIHI) Learning Collaboratives for:
  - Maternal Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder
  - Maternal Hypertension and Cardiovascular Health

Promoting Engagement of Individuals and Communities to Become Partners in Their Care

- Developed and implemented more person-reported experience and outcome measures

- Collaborated with AHRQ on Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS)

- Continued engagement with Medicare providers through Quality Improvement Organizations (QIO) program and increased state engagement with Medicaid & CHIP QI initiatives

Question and Answer

Thank you!

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