

A Board Lens for Quality

LEADINGAGE FRAMEWORK

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Background on Quality Framework

LEADINGAGE GOVERNANCE RESOURCES INITIATIVE

Tools for visioning and strategy development included information about monitoring progress, outcomes, and a library of metrics



Resources about the roles and responsibilities of the Board



Questions about the Board's role in monitoring quality

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Model for Nonprofit Boards



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Responsibilities of a Nonprofit Board

LEGAL

- DUTY OF CARE
- DUTY OF LOYALTY
- DUTY OF OBEDIENCE

PRACTICAL

- DETERMINE MISSION AND PURPOSE
- SELECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- SUPPORT AND EVALUATE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- ENSURE EFFECTIVE PLANNING
- MONITOR AND STRENGTHEN PROGRAMS AND SERVICES
- ENSURE ADEQUATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES
- PROTECT ASSETS AND PROVIDE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT
- BUILD AND SUSTAIN A COMPETENT BOARD
- ENSURE LEGAL AND ETHICAL INTEGRITY
- ENHANCE ORGANIZATION'S PUBLIC STANDING

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Board Composition

- ☆ Skills and expertise
- ☆ Connection to sponsoring denomination
- ☆ Community connections
- ☆ Donor
- ☆ Service recipient
- ☆ Passion for mission

What preparation do they have to serve on your Board?

What preparation do they have to consider topics like quality and compliance?

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**HAVE YOU SEEN A
CHANGE IN YOUR
BOARD
COMPOSITION TO
INCLUDE MORE
EXPERTISE?**



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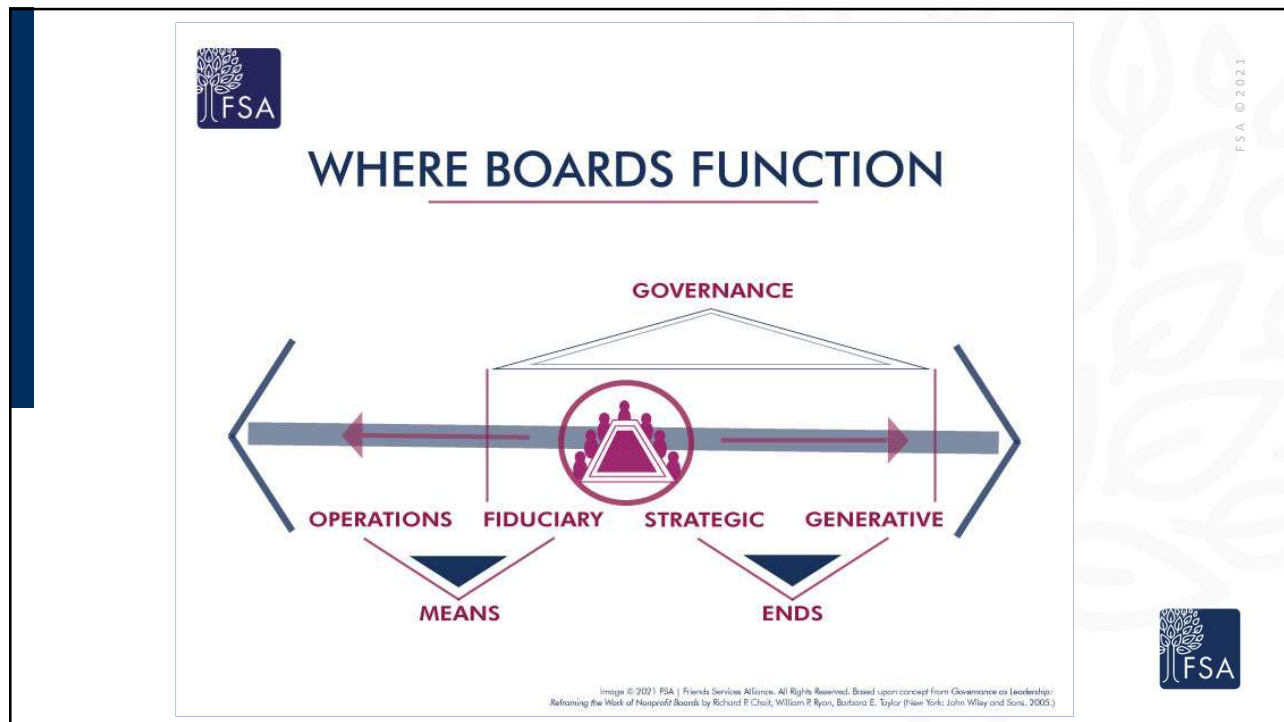


Continuum of Board Member Reactions



Duty of Care

- ☆ Acted in good faith
- ☆ "Responsible inquiry"
- ☆ In the best interest of the organization

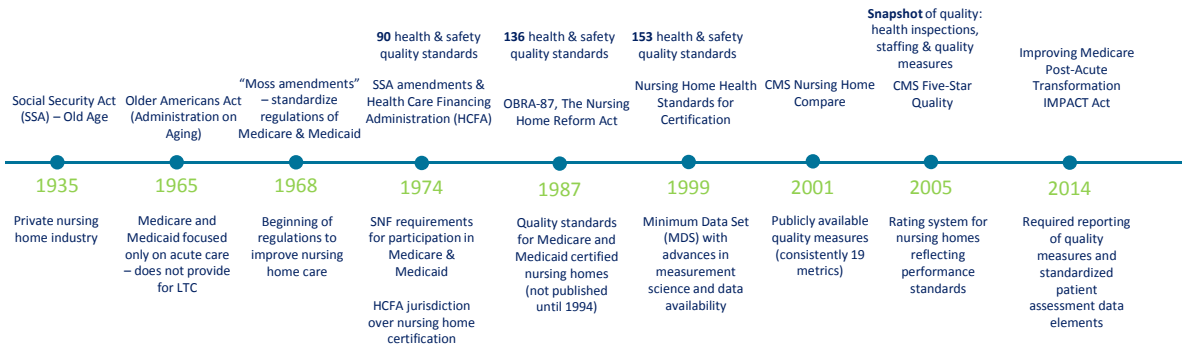


Board's Role in Quality

- ☆ **Policy Setting:** Identifying the framework and success metrics by which the organization will advance quality care and support
- ☆ **Decision Making:** Aligning organizational actions, investments, and budgets with the selected quality framework
- ☆ **Monitoring:** Tracking achievement of quality success metrics and working with staff leadership to make adjustments when needed

Current Quality Framework

HISTORICALLY AND NOW, QUALITY FRAMEWORKS IN OLDER ADULT SERVICES FOCUS ON COMPLIANCE WITH AN EVER-INCREASING SET OF STANDARDS UNDER A PUNITIVE REVIEW AND ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM



<https://www.kff.org/medicaid/timeline/long-term-care-in-the-united-states-a-timeline/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2915498/>

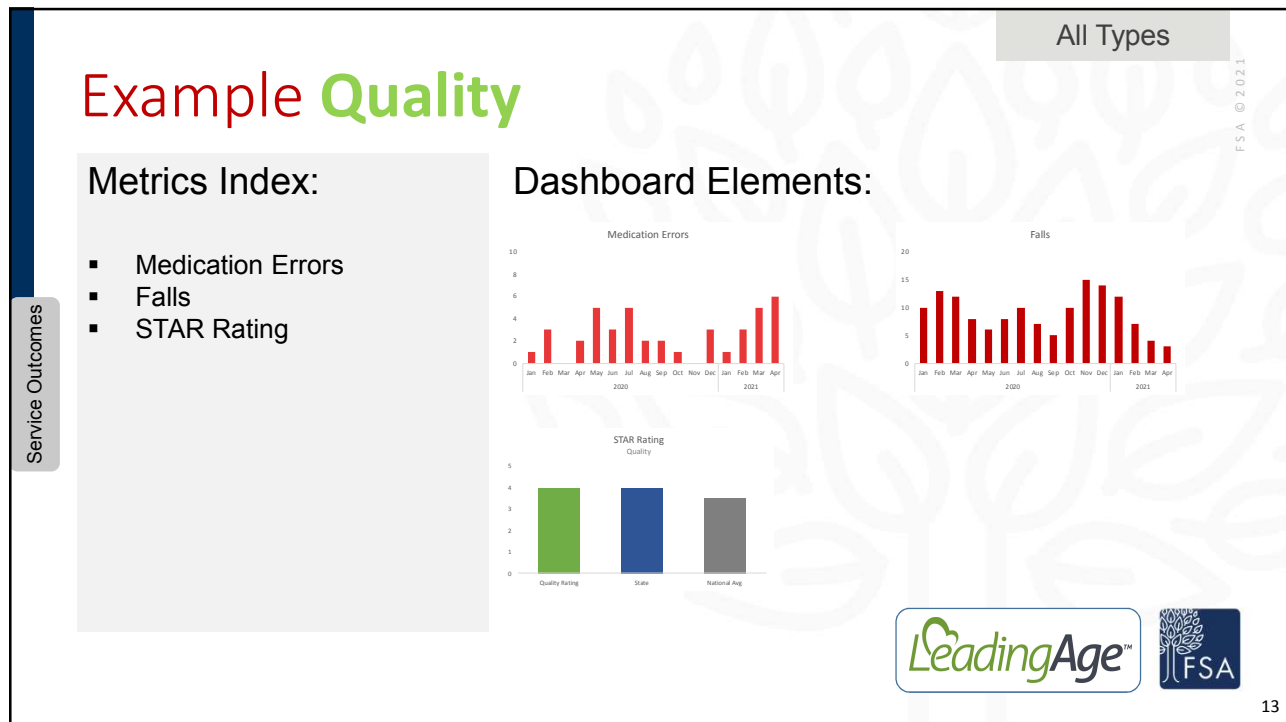
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Current Quality Framework

- ▶ Increasing regulations increase required public reporting regarding performance deficiencies
- ▶ As a result, the public is conditioned to judge quality based on where organizations have deficiencies, yet ignores where they are making a positive impact on the lives of those they serve
- ▶ The current framework shifts focus away from the impact that care and support is having on people and stifles organizational learning/ improvement





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HOW MANY OF YOUR BOARDS HAVE MECHANISMS FOR MONITORING QUALITY?

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Quality Framework in Other Health-Related Fields

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- ▶ Acute and primary care have shifted to a **quality of life framework**, created by the Institute of Medicine (IOM), and seen in accountable care and primary care medical homes
- ▶ Older adult services and supports has not yet adopted this approach to demonstrating quality



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Current tools for assessing quality in senior care and housing

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CURRENT TOOLS THAT THE PUBLIC CAN USE TO JUDGE QUALITY ARE NET PROMOTER SCORES, PROVIDER COMPARE TOOLS, AND MEDIA COVERAGE



NONE OF THOSE APPROACHES REFLECT THE ACTUAL QUALITY OF LIFE OF OLDER ADULT CUSTOMERS



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Proposed Quality Framework: Quality of Life

UNDER THE BOARD'S ROLE OF SETTING POLICY FOR ORGANIZATIONAL QUALITY, THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADVANCE A QUALITY OF LIFE FRAMEWORK, WHICH HAS 6 DOMAINS

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QUALITY OF
LIFE
FRAMEWORK

Institute of Medicine (IOM) Quality Framework **Six Domains**¹:

- **Safe:** Avoiding harm to people from the care that is intended to help them.
- **Effective:** Providing services based on scientific knowledge to all who could benefit and refraining from providing services to those not likely to benefit (avoiding underuse and misuse, respectively).
- **Patient-centered:** Providing care that is respectful of and responsive to individual preferences, needs, and values and ensuring that person-centered values guide decisions.
- **Timely:** Reducing waits and sometimes harmful delays for both those who receive and those who give care.
- **Efficient:** Avoiding waste, including waste of equipment, supplies, ideas, and energy.
- **Equitable and Affordable:** Providing care that does not vary in quality because of personal characteristics such as gender, ethnicity, geographic location, and socioeconomic status.

¹ Six Domains of Health Care Quality. AHRQ Quality Framework. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Accessed from <https://www.ahrq.gov/talkingquality/measures/six-domains.html>



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Adopting and Using a Quality of Life Framework

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- 1 In the Board's role of governing organizational quality, adopt the **Quality of Life Framework** as the way in which the organization will define and demonstrate organizational quality (the organization will still need to comply with applicable quality standards, but the policy would advance a new framework and learning culture)
- 2 Prioritize key focus areas within the Framework in 2 or more of the key domains
- 3 Approve key questions that will help the Board in decision making and monitoring progress regarding quality
- 4 Identify key metrics that will indicate quality (see next slides)
- 5 Make decisions and monitor progress in alignment with the Quality of Life Framework and adjust as needed based on learnings



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Key Questions for Boards Setting Policy on Quality

	Options for Demonstrating Quality	Responsive Measures of Quality for Each Option
Safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customers feel safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environment assessment and plan to address deficiencies Safe care measures (e.g. hospitalizations/falls) Reducing avoidable readmissions Resident security concerns are addressed timely
Effective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs/services/care look at whole-person (e.g., mental, financial, social, etc.) Programs/services are not under/over utilized 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence-based programs/services availability Care plan implementation (and/or choice in care plan options) Medication errors Evidence-based programs/services outcomes
Patient-centered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customers believe they have choice and control Customers are included in decisions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer question: "do you feel like you are well taken care of?"² CAHPS Survey questions (e.g., Family Survey)³
Timely	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customers have access to timely programs/service/care Navigation resources to programs/services are available to (used by) customers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care/service coordination and navigation utilization (availability) Reliable/affordable transportation Programs/services/care availability (same-day, telehealth, wait time)
Efficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technology, process or system integrations to reduce barriers Resources are stewarded wisely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technology/system integration Coordination with supporting services (e.g., transportation, nutrition)
Equitable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs/services/ environment is welcoming and fosters inclusion Programming is culturally relevant and responsive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual increase in staff and customer scores that report programs and/or services are welcoming and foster inclusion Customers believe they are treated with dignity and respect Annual increase in staff and customer scores indicating that programming is culturally relevant and responsive
Affordable*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce unnecessary costs Contribution to total cost of care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Costs are comparable for like programs/services (transparency) Programs/services are relevant to needs and ability to pay

*Not a pillar of (IOM) Quality of Life framework, but tied to equity

²Key Questions When Choosing Health Care Quality Measures: Are the Measures Appropriate for Your Audience? Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Accessed from <https://www.ahrq.gov/patient-safety/quality-improvement/articles/2014/04/04-key-questions-when-choosing-health-care-quality-measures>

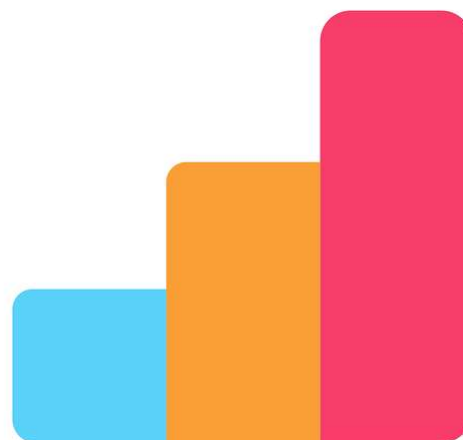
³Priority setting for Healthcare Performance Measurement: Addressing Performance Measure Gaps in Person-Centered Care and Outcomes. Final Report August 15, 2014. National Quality Forum. Accessed from <https://www.nfq.org/~/media/Files/2014/08/15/Priority-Setting-for-Healthcare-Performance-Measurement-Final-Report-August-15-2014.pdf>



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WHAT'S YOUR REACTION TO CONSIDERING INCLUSION OF A QUALITY OF LIFE FRAMEWORK IN THE BOARD'S MONITORING OF QUALITY?



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