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Title V Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Technical Advisory Panel Preliminary Consensus Statement- For Public Response

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Background

The Title V Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Technical Advisory Panel (Panel) was created on March 21, 2018 by the State Surgeon General of the Florida Department of Health. One purpose of the Panel is to prepare a report with recommendations on health outcome measures for CYSHCN.

Topics for Further Exploration

The Panel met on April 27, 2018 and May 11, 2018 via conference call. During these meetings, the Panel discussed many surveys and tools for process and outcomes measures. The Panel concluded that child health programs should measure health outcomes. The Panel's initial findings are that child health programs should include measures from the following categories:

- Quality of life (including parent and provider perspective). For example, the Peds QLTM and the National Institute of Health's (NIH) PROMIS tool.
- Family well-being/stress (including work productivity). For example, the Parenting Stress Index (PSI).
- Social determinants of health.

Additional Considerations

In addition to the proposed topic areas, there are several considerations related to the concept of measuring health outcomes for CYSHCN. Specifically, health outcome measures for CYSHCN should be:

- Family and child-centered.
- Tailored to different populations of CYSHCN, as needed.
- Able to address population health-level innovations.
- Translatable from policy to practice.
- Sensitive to change over time.
- Inclusive of qualitative input from CYSHCN and their families.

Public Input

The Panel is seeking to collaborate with the community by requesting that comments related to this initiative be sent to CMS.CSHCN@flhealth.gov.

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