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KONZA National Network Earns Validated Data Stream Designation for Third Cohort in NCQA Data Aggregator Validation Program

TOPEKA (December 21, 2022) – KONZA National Network has earned the Validated Data Stream designation for its third cohort in the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Data Aggregator Validation program. It is part of the latest NCQA cohort to voluntarily seek and earn the new NCQA validation. Nearly [245 KONZA-powered sites](#) earned this selective designation, illustrating KONZA’s commitment to providing high quality, accurate and trusted clinical data.

The NCQA Data Aggregator Validation program evaluates clinical data streams to help ensure that health plans, providers, government organizations and others can trust the accuracy of aggregated clinical data for use in Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) reporting and other quality programs. Data streams that earn validation undergo a rigorous, end-to-end look at the quality and integrity of data and the procedures used to manage and safeguard it. From ingestion at primary sources through transmission to end users, participation verifies adherence to NCQA process, system and data standards.

“NCQA’s Data Aggregator Validation program helps identify clinical data that can be trusted and sets a high bar for how the data are managed,” said NCQA President, Margaret E. O’Kane. “We are excited that organizations like KONZA are working to improve trust in clinical data and help ensure the data’s accuracy and broader usability.”

“The NCQA Data Aggregation Validation provides assurance to our members, payers, patients and technology partners that the data KONZA provides represents the highest standard in the market in terms of standardization, normalization and deduplication,” said Laura McCrary, Ed.D, President and CEO of KONZA.

“In the past, the process of collecting HEDIS data was inefficient and costly to payers,” said McCrary. “KONZA helps health plans gain access to standard supplemental data that does not require point of service verification. This could mean better STAR Ratings and higher reimbursement for payers.”

About NCQA

NCQA is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving health care quality. NCQA accredits and certifies a wide range of health care organizations. It also recognizes clinicians and practices in key areas of performance. NCQA’s Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) is the most widely used performance measurement tool in health care. NCQA’s website (ncqa.org) contains information to help consumers, employers and others make informed health care choices. For more information on NCQA validation, please [click here](#).