# **Evaluation SIM Subcommittee Monthly Summary for Steering Committee**

Meeting date: 2/3/2016

Number of participants: 22

Organizations Represented: DHHS/OCQI, MaineCare, Maine Medical Association, MHMC, Maine CDC, ME Association of Health Plans, Anthem BCBS, HealthInfoNet, Quality Counts, UPC of Maine, Consumer representatives, Lewin, Market Decisions

1. **Please state the subcommittees strategic focus for the month:**
* Strategic updates regarding the SORT/MLT process
* Update from MaineCare regarding progress on the clinical data risk next steps
* Review and refinement of the consumer interview tools for 2016
* Preliminary discussion of provider/stakeholder interview approaches for 2016
1. **Please state the subcommittees key findings/work/impact for the month:**
* The subcommittee received an update on the SORT/MLT process, key decisions outcomes related to the third year of SIM and how this could impact the focus of evaluation activities. The group also received an update regarding activities of MaineCare to begin planning for a pilot of clinical data collection in late 2016. The subcommittee discussed in length the proposed updates to the consumer interview process for 2016, providing feedback to Market Decisions and making suggests for potential refinements. These changes will be made in advance of the meeting in March, at which time they aim to make final recommendations to the updated tool. Preliminary discussions of the new provider and stakeholder interview process included the new use of focus groups to collect more robust data. Discussions will continue in March.
1. **Please describe which SIM goals were the primary focus of the subcommittee, and how they may be impacted:**
* The subcommittee continues to focus on priorities for evaluation activities in 2016 including the second round of interview data and the implications of the SORT/MLT process on the evaluation approach.
1. **Please state the subcommittees challenges for the month:**
* No specific challenges identified for the month
1. **Please state the subcommittees risks for the month:**
* No specific risks were raised this month. The risk related to capturing clinical data for CMMI, CMS for health homes and behavioral health homes and for the evaluation was discussed in length by Jim Leonard who is leading efforts by MaineCare to begin piloting of clinical data collection.
1. **Please summarize the goals for next month’s subcommittee meeting: (note that the next committee meeting is 3/2/2016)**
* Continue Rapid Cycle Improvement discussions (& prioritization of topics for future discussions) based on further analysis of Break-out Discussion findings from Annual Meeting in December 2015.
* Continue review & finalize recommendations for changes to the Consumer, Provider and Stakeholder Interview Tools for the 2016 interview cycle.
* Continue to support target setting process for Commercial and Medicare
* Review updated Maine SIM dashboard