



*Measuring the Quality of America's Health Care*

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Dear Mr. Galica:

NCQA has reviewed the CAQH application (versions 3.0–5.0) and find that it meets its credentialing requirements for the contents of practitioner applications; specifically, the requirements for the following NCQA MCO, MBHO and PPO standards:

- CR 4, Element A, the application includes a current and signed attestation and addresses:
  - *Factor 1*: Reasons for any inability to perform the essential functions of the position, with or without accommodation (covered in Section 8, Q26)
  - *Factor 2*: Lack of present illegal drug use (covered in Section 8, Q23)
  - *Factor 3*: History of loss of license and felony conviction (covered in Section 8, Q1, Q2, Q20–Q22)
  - *Factor 4*: History of loss or limitation of privileges or disciplinary action (covered in Section 8, Q3–Q5)
  - *Factor 5*: Current malpractice insurance coverage (covered in Section 6)
  - *Factor 6*: The correctness and completeness of the application (covered on page 16, paragraph 8).
- CR 7, Element C, the recredentialing application includes a current and signed attestation and addresses:
  - *Factor 1*: Reasons for any inability to perform the essential functions of the position, with or without accommodation (covered in Section 8, Q26)
  - *Factor 2*: Lack of present illegal drug use (covered in Section 8, Q23)
  - *Factor 3*: History of loss or limitation of privileges or disciplinary action (covered in Section 8, Q3–Q5)
  - *Factor 4*: Current malpractice insurance coverage (covered in Section 6)
  - *Factor 5*: The correctness and completeness of the application (covered on page 16, paragraph 8).

Please note that NCQA will not provide automatic credit for the application. Organizations using the CAQH application will still be reviewed against the appropriate elements.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick Dahill".

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