**Obesity Management Quality Improvement Collaborative**

**Application**

*Applications are due by 5:30 pm PT, May 16, 2025*

*Email to* [*obesity@amga.org*](mailto:obesity@amga.org)

**Please remove all patient, provider, and organization identifiers. Maximum of 5 pages, single-spaced.** **Font: Calibri or Arial, 11 point**

**Evaluation Criteria**

**The AMGA Foundation Obesity Management Quality Improvement Collaborative Advisory committee will review each application and use the following criteria for acceptance into the Collaborative:**

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| 1. *Committed Resources (40%)* | 1. *Potential Impact (20%)* | 1. *Sustainability Intent (20%)* | 1. *Health Equity (20%)* |
| * Ability to dedicate a multi-disciplinary team and financial resources to support the project * Ability to create, submit and maintain quality improvement documents and presentations * IT plan to submit data on specific measures and the ability to identify targeted populations * Support a project team * Support an implementation team | * Number and demographic mix of patients impacted * Focus on innovation and quality improvement * Feasibility and scalability * Willingness to change organizational structure and processes | * Organizational commitment to sustain progress beyond funding period, including funds, resources and staff * Tracking performance to monitor ongoing effectiveness | * Ability to identify barriers and target populations with disparities * Ability to implement strategies to overcome barriers |

**Organizational Profile:** *Include an organizational profile that gives Advisors an understanding of the size and scope of your organization (including FTE physician number) and population served without naming your organization. (250 words or less)*

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1. **What services does your organization currently offer for obesity care?** *(150 word limit)*

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1. **Are you currently tracking obesity prevalence, documentation of obesity diagnosis, treatment for obesity or weight management, obesity outcomes (weight loss, co-morbid conditions or indicators)? If available, please share your current prevalence of overweight and obesity (based on BMI). Of those with obesity (BMI≥30), do you have an estimate of the proportion that have a documented obesity diagnoses in their medical record.** *(100 word limit)*

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1. **Briefly describe your current approach to increase the number of people with obesity who receive:**
   * **A formal diagnosis**
   * **Evidence-based comprehensive care, including counseling, nutrition, medical and surgical therapeutic interventions**
   * **Education on the importance of long-term sustainable outcomes.**

*(150 word limit)*

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1. **AMGA will prioritize applicants that can take an organization wide approach. Please describe this approach. However, if you are only able to target a subset of clinics, please describe the pilot patient volume and plan to scale.** *(150 word limit)*

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1. **Describe the challenges and barriers you might encounter during the Collaborative and if possible, how you plan to address them.** *(250 word limit)*

(For example: Insufficient patient education, lack of specialized providers, EHR limitations, physician and staff bias)

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1. **List the members, titles, roles, and departments that will be included on your Collaborative team** **without sharing their individual names. Describe the leadership commitment and additional resources your organization will contribute to the project (human and financial).**

(250 word limit)

* Include potential project team members, including clinical champion, dedicated quality improvement lead, bariatric obesity specialist, etc.
* Include additional financial resources to be invested in the work

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1. **How do you plan to retrieve and analyze the data to track your performance?** (250 word limit)
   * Indicate commitment that dedicated IT resources will be available.
   * Include information about EHR, registries, and other data strategies
   * Include in addendum de-identified dashboard or registry screen shots to demonstrate your data reporting capabilities.
   * Include challenges with retrieving and analyzing data (ex: are lifestyle/behavioral therapies being documented in the EHR and are they in structured fields, ability to capture obesity care that occurs outside of your system, etc.)

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1. **Describe your quality improvement process for developing, implementing, evaluating and sustaining a program.** (250 word limit)
   * Include quality improvement tools used, such as root cause analysis, gap analysis, PDSA cycle, etc.

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1. **Describe your organization’s work in health equity.** (250 word limit)
   * Include specific activities, programs, outreach, data capabilities for identifying populations with disparities (including race/ethnicity, age, sex and insurance type, which we will be focused on in this Collaborative) and leadership support

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**Appendices**

**Cite and label the supporting documents in an appendix. It is highly preferred that supporting documents are clearly labeled as “Appendix 1,” Appendix 2,”etc. *Maximum of five additional pages.***