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Setting Up for Success – Perspectives from Pilot Sites

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Disclosures

- Aptitude Health





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Leadership

- identify and establish effective leadership at the clinical and administrative level
- assign roles to clinical leaders and non-clinical staff with timeline
- engage every service line to become familiarized with the new 2024 standards
- start early with coordinated action plans

Optimal Resources for Breast Care
2024 Standards
Revised December 2023

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Timing

- Develop critical pathways/protocols
- Use quarterly meetings to discuss feasibility and measurability of each standard
- Address any barriers to implementation of protocols

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Renewal sites **Initial sites**

Year of Site Visit	Years to be Reviewed	2018 or 2024 Standards	Year of Site Visit	Year to be Reviewed	2018 or 2024 Standards
2023	2020, 2021, 2022	2018 Standards	2023	2022	2018 Standards
2024	2021, 2022, 2023	2018 Standards	2024	2023	2018 Standards OR* 2024 Standards
2025	2024	2024 Standards	2025	2024	2024 Standards
2026	2024, 2025	2024 Standards	2026	2025	2024 Standards

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QPort (previously PRQ)

- Communicate early and often with your assigned site reviewer and NAPBC staff
- Assess completeness and accuracy in QPort more than 1 month prior to site visit
- Ensure upload of supporting files and documents are complete
- Resources available in the portal – FAQ, Changelog, Crosswalk

2024 NAPBC Standards
[Optimal Resources for Breast Care - 2024 Standards](#)
[Webinar Recording](#)
[Webinar Slide Deck](#)
[2024 NAPBC Standards FAQ](#)
[2024 NAPBC Standards Changelog](#)
[2024 NAPBC Standards Crosswalk](#)
[2024 NAPBC Standards Implementation Timeline](#)

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Chart review

- Prepare ascension list of cases for the year surveyed
- Communicate with site reviewer on preferred format of charts
- Performed on a separate day vs. same day as site visit
- If virtual or in-person, please do not send protected health information (PHI) directly to site reviewer.
- Best practice is secure platform provided by the institution
- Arrange for clinical and support staff to be available during chart review

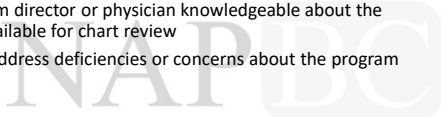


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Day of Site Visit

- Ensure that audio/video capabilities are secure and reliable
- Extremely helpful to have IT support available on the day of site visit
- Arrange to have key representatives from each service line available to discuss details about the program
- Schedule program director or physician knowledgeable about the program to be available for chart review
- Be prepared to address deficiencies or concerns about the program



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Post-site visit

- Three business days to make changes to QPort as requested by Site Reviewers
- Allocate time to allow staff and/or physicians after site visit to make changes



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