



# New Episode Development



# What is Episode Development?

Episode development is the chance for participants to recommend or request new episodes to be included in the upcoming performance year

- The EQIP team and the HSCRC **value input** from all EQIP participants and stakeholders
- Episode development allows for participants to help shape the EQIP program to best support their practice and care transformation efforts across the state

There are **two types** of episode development:

- **Net New Episode Requests:**
  - Requesting the creation and development of brand new episodes by the selected grouper
- **Finalized Episode Requests:**
  - Adding additional episodes that have been completely developed and finalized by the selected grouper



# What is the Process?

## 1. Net New Episode Requests

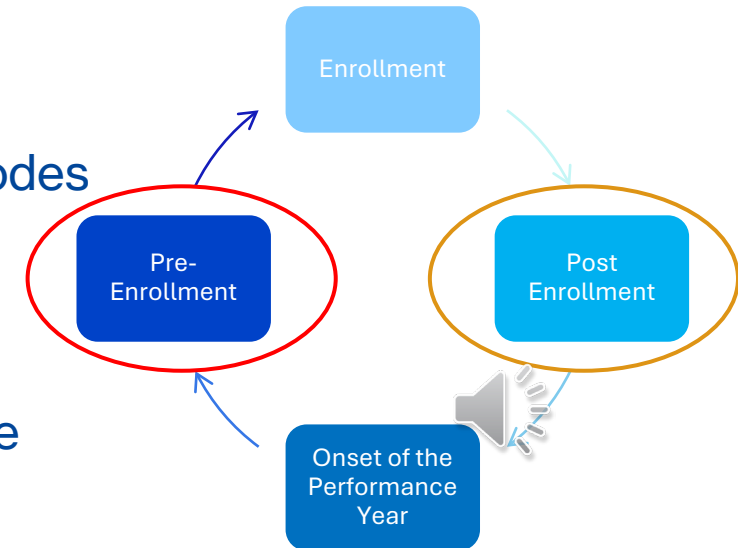
During the **post enrollment period**, EQIP participants can request for brand new episodes to be developed for episode selection for the upcoming enrollment period

- Participants will share their new episode development requests with the EQIP team
- The EQIP team, HSCRC, and the grouper will determine if the requested episodes can be developed and if they will move forward as an option for episode selection

## 2. Finalized Episode Requests

During the **pre-enrollment period**, the EQIP team will share all the episodes that the grouper currently has available

- Participants will share their episode requests with the EQIP team
- The EQIP team and HSCRC will determine which episodes will move forward as an option for episode selection



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