

## New NCQA Diabetes Recognition Program Updates

NCQA has recently released several updates to the Diabetes Recognition Program (DPRP). Going forward the program will now be known as the ***Diabetes Recognition Program (DRP)***

Additional changes also include:

- ***Nurse Practitioners*** may now apply for recognition.
- The start date for patient identification and data ***abstraction must be no more than 180 calendar days prior to the data collection tool submission date.***
- Inclusion of a new **HbA1c <8% measure**. Scoring has been adjusted to accommodate the new measure while maintaining the same total point allocation for the HbA1c control measures.
- Applicants will **now** submit data through a secure, password-protected online tool. This tool allows for online submission of data and application information through a web browser.

The 2009 version is **now** available for pre-order on the NCQA website at <http://www.ncqa.org/DRP>. Online workshops are available free of charge. For more information about these changes, contact: NCQA Customer Support at (888)275-7585