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Dr. Kate Goodrich joined the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in September of 2011 where she serves as Director of the Center for Clinical Standards and Quality (CCSQ) and CMS Chief Medical Officer. This Center is responsible for over 20 quality measurement and value-based purchasing programs, implementation of the new Merit-based Incentive Payment System and the Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act, quality improvement programs in all 50 states, clinical standards and survey and certification of all providers across the nation, and all coverage decisions for treatments and services for CMS. The Center budget exceeds \$1.3 billion annually.



Previously, Dr. Goodrich served as the Director of the Quality Measurement and Value-based Incentives Group in CCSQ where she oversaw the implementation of over 20 quality, value-based purchasing and public reporting programs across multiple settings. She also co-lead an HHS-wide group to align quality measures across programs, and more recently has worked with numerous private payers to align measures across the public and private sectors. From 2010 – 2011 she served as a Medical Officer in the office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) at DHHS where she managed a portfolio of work on comparative effectiveness research and quality measurement and improvement.

Dr. Goodrich is a graduate of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at Yale University where she received training in health services research and health policy from 2008-2010. From 1998 to 2008, Dr. Goodrich was on faculty at the George Washington University Medical Center (GWUMC) and served as Division Director for Hospital Medicine from 2005-2008 and was chair of the Institutional Review Board from 2004-2008. She went to medical school at Louisiana State University in Shreveport, LA, and completed her internal medicine residency and chief medical resident year at GWUMC. She continues to practice clinical medicine as a hospitalist and Associate Professor of Medicine at GWUMC.