Summary of the Marquette Forum
Marquette General Hospital, Conference Center
8:00 am – 10:00 am, May 2, 2014

Overview:
The Marquette forum had 12 pre-registrations with 8 attending, including 1 from BCBSM and 2 from the Coordinating Center. The attendees (excluding BCBSM and the CC) were from Marquette General Hospital and Upper Peninsula Health Plan, representing key participants from their laboratory, quality improvement, genetic counselor, medical director, and nurse abstractor. These attendees were very engaged and had some great input for us.

Discussion Summary
1. For data collection efforts, not all of the doctors are employed by Marquette General. Many are independent practitioners. Some are still on paper charts.
   a. You may need to utilize Marquette-based abstractors who can go to the various physician offices to collect the data.
   b. Physicians who are still on paper charts will not be able to participate in the GTRQC.
   c. Almost all of the physicians belong to UPHP, which is owned by the UP hospitals. UPHP is utilizing UMHIE (Upper Michigan Health Information Exchange), which is still in its infancy and is part of MiHIN (Michigan Health Information Network). Since the UMHIE is still in its formative stage, there is an opportunity for the participants to determine which data should be included in the data sharing and within the next couple years, the GTRQC may be able to pull almost all of the data needed from this exchange. It is currently being used primarily for admission data transfers, but could be expanded.

2. Which tests should the GTRQC consider as our “first tests”?
   a. The list provided is a good starting point.
   b. Once established, the GTRQC should look at hereditary panels, carrier screening panels and prenatal – fetal maternal circulating RNA panels.

3. What are your greatest needs that the GTRQC may be able to help with?
   a. Guidance on genetic testing utilization. Which are the right tests to be used and when.
   b. Clear guidelines for physicians to follow and information to help them educate patients.
   c. More genetic counselors to be able to support the genetic testing services.

Interest Surveys
Interest surveys were completed by both Marquette General and the Upper Peninsula Health Plan. There is strong interest in participating in the GTRQC.