# Completeness of Race and Ethnicity data



### Why is it important to collect race and ethnicity data?"

Race, ethnicity and Language (REaL) data allows hospital and health systems the ability to:

- Capture information on a patient's race, ethnicity, and language preferences
- Apply culturally humble care that does not vary with a patient's race, ethnicity, or language
- Understand clinically relevant and unique aspects of their patient and communities
- Monitor and address equity in care

#### Where can this measure be documented?

- Scanned intake forms
- Snapshot tab
- Demographics tab

## What are the common challenges with collecting these measures?

- Patients concerned of discrimination based on their answers
- Patients may feel like the categories do not represent their identity
- Forms and EMR do not match
- Staff may not understand the benefit or impact of collecting the data

#### What resources does MOQC offer?

 Free training documents for staff that cover the importance of collecting REaL data and include standard messaging to communicate with patients

