

Hospital Quality Reporting Important Dates and Deadlines

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Hospital IQR Program				IQR & HAC Reduction Programs	
Discharge Quarter	HCAHPS Submission	Population & Sampling Submission (Required for chart-abstracted measures only)	Clinical Submission (SEP-1)	NHSN HAI Submission	
				IQR: CAUTI- & CLABSI- Onc	HACRP: HAI ³
Q1 2026	07-08-2026 ¹	08-03-2026 ²	08-17-2026 ²	08-17-2026 ²	08-17-2026 ²
Q2 2026	10-14-2026 ¹	11-02-2026 ²	11-16-2026 ²	11-16-2026 ²	11-16-2026 ²
Q3 2026	01-13-2027 ¹	02-01-2027	02-16-2027 ²	02-16-2027 ²	02-16-2027 ²
Q4 2026	04-14-2027 ¹	05-03-2027 ²	05-17-2027 ²	05-17-2027 ²	05-17-2027 ²
Discharge Quarter	Validation				
	HACRP HAI Validation Templates	Estimated CDAC Record Request		Estimated Date Records Due to CDAC	
Q2 2025	Targeted: 04-20-2026	Targeted: 05-07-2026		Targeted: 06-08-2026	
Q3 2025	Random: 02-17-2026 Targeted: 05-20-2026	Random: 02-27-2026 Targeted: 06-30-2026		Random: 03-30-2026 Targeted: 07-02-2026	
Q4 2025	Random: 05-15-2026 Targeted: 06-03-2026	Random: 05-25-2026 Targeted: 07-07-2026		Random: 06-23-2026 Targeted: 08-05-2026	
Q1 2026	Random: 08-17-2026 Targeted: TBD	Random: 08-26-2026 Targeted: TBD		Random: 09-24-2026 Targeted: TBD	
Q2 2026	Random: 11-16-2026 Targeted: TBD	Random: 12-08-2026 Targeted: TBD		Random: 01-07-2027 Targeted: TBD	
Q3 2026	Random: 02-15-2026 Targeted: TBD	Random: 02-27-2027 Targeted: TBD		Random: 03-30-2027 Targeted: TBD	
Q4 2026	Random: 05-17-2026 Targeted: TBD	Random: 05-26-2027 Targeted: TBD		Random: 06-23-2027 Targeted: TBD	
eCQM Validation					
	Fiscal Year (FY)/Calendar Year (CY)	Estimated CDAC Record Request		Estimated Date Records Due to CDAC	
	CY 2026/FY 2029	Spring 2027		Spring 2027	
FY 2028 APU					
	Measure/Requirement	Reporting Period		Submission Deadline/Period	
	Influenza HCP Vaccination	October 1, 2025–March 31, 2026		May 18, 2026	
	Hybrid Hospital-Wide Mortality and Hybrid Hospital-Wide Readmission	July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026		October 1, 2026	
	eCQMs (Electronic Clinical Quality Measures)	January 1, 2026–December 31, 2026		March 1, 2027 ²	
	Web-Based Structural/Process Measures ⁴	January 1, 2026–December 31, 2026		April 1, 2027-May 17, 2027 ²	
	DACA (Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement)	January 1, 2026–December 31, 2026		April 1, 2027-May 17, 2027 ²	
Total Hip Arthroplasty/Total Knee Arthroplasty Patient-Reported Outcome-Based Performance Measure Reporting					
	FY	Reporting Period		Submission Deadline/Period	
	2028 Mandatory Reporting	Procedure Performed: July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 Post-op Data: April 27, 2025-August 29, 2026		Post-op Data: September 30, 2026	
	2029 Mandatory Reporting	Procedure Performed: July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 Pre-op Data: April 2, 2026-June 30, 2026		Pre-op Data: September 30, 2026	

¹ The HCAHPS deadline has been extended by one week due to the new survey being implemented beginning with CY 2025 discharges.

² Submission deadline falls on a weekend or holiday and is moved to the next business day.

³ Hospital-Acquired Condition (HAC) Reduction Program Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI) measures include Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI), Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI), Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy Surgical Site Infection (SSI), Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) bacteremia, and *Clostridium difficile* Infection (CDI).

⁴ Web-based structural/process measures include the mandatory reporting of Maternal Morbidity, Age Friendly, and Patient Safety, structural measures.

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- **Q1** (Jan 1-March31); **Q2** (April 1-June 30); **Q3** (July 1-September 30); **Q4** (October 1-December 31)
- Generally, data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time on the submission deadline except for HCAHPS. HCAHPS must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. Central Time.
- Data for clinical measures, eCQMs, hybrid core clinical data elements, structural measures, population and sampling, DACA, and the THA/TKA PRO-PM are transmitted within the *HQR Secure Portal*.
- HAI Validation Template data are transmitted within the *HQR Secure Portal* via Unified File Management (UFM)/Managed File Transfer (MFT).
- HAI, CAUTI-Onc, CLABSI-Onc, Influenza HCP, and Patient Safety Structural measure data are submitted to the CDC through the NHSN.