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Inpatient Public Reporting Preview Quick Reference Guide

Preview User Interface (UI) Access

Preview Period

Preview data are available to participating inpatient hospitals via the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system page from **November 25–December 24, 2026**, at https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login.

Access Preview Data

1. Navigate to the HQR system page: https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login
2. Enter your Health Care Quality Information Systems Access Roles and Profile User ID and Password. By logging in, you agree to the terms and conditions. Select **Log In**.
3. You will see the **Two-Factor Authorization page**. Select **Text** or **Email.** Then, select **Next**.
4. Enter the code you received and select **Next**.
5. On the HQR system landing page, hover over *Lock Menu* on the left side.
6. Select **Program Reporting**.
7. From the drop-down menu, select **Public Reporting.**
8. The page will refresh, and the data will be available to preview.

Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating

The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating will not be updated for this release.

Preview Content

Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey

- Results reflect Quarter (Q)2 2025–Q1 2026 discharges.
- The individual questions from the HCAHPS composite measures will display in the downloadable data catalog on data.cms.gov.

Timely and Effective Care Measures

- Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel displays 2025–2026 flu season data (Q4 2025–Q1 2026).
- SEP-1 measure results include Q2 2025–Q1 2026 data.
- Electronic Clinical Quality Measures Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)-1, VTE-2, Stroke (STK)-02, STK-03, STK-05, Hospital Harm (HH)-Opioid-Related Adverse Events, HH-Acute Kidney Injury, HH-Severe Hyperglycemia, HH-Severe Hypoglycemia, HH-Pressure Injury, Excessive Radiation, and Safe Use of Opioids—Concurrent Prescribing display data submitted via electronic health records for calendar year 2025.
- Age Friendly Hospital Measure displays calendar year 2025 data.
- Patient Safety Structural Measure displays calendar year 2025 data.

Maternal Health

Results reflect Q1 2025–Q4 2025 discharges for Maternal Morbidity Structural Measure (SM-7), Perinatal Care (PC)-02, PC-07a, and PC-07b.

Complication and Deaths (Mortality)

- Hybrid Hospital-Wide Mortality measure rates reflect Q3 2024-Q2 2025 discharges.
- The 30-Day Mortality Rate measure rates reflect Q3 2022–Q2 2025 discharges. (MORT-30-STK rate reflects Q3 2023–Q2 2025)
- CMS Patient Safety Measures results reflect Q3 2023–Q2 2025 discharges.
- Healthcare-associated Infection measure rates reflect Q1 2025–Q4 2025 events. Data use 2022 baseline.
- Surgical complications rates reflect Q2 2023–Q1 2025 discharges.

Unplanned Hospital Visits

- Condition-specific Readmission rates reflect Q3 2023–Q2 2025 discharges.
- Procedure-specific Readmission rates reflect Q3 2023–Q2 2025 discharges.
- Hybrid Hospital-Wide Readmission measure rates reflect Q3 2024–Q2 2025 discharges.
- Excess Days in Acute Care measure results reflect Q3 2022–Q2 2025 discharges.

Patient-Reported Outcome

Total Hip/Knee Arthroplasty inpatient assessment response rate is Q3 2023–Q2 2024.

The Help Guide on QualityNet contains detailed measure information in the Preview UI. For those hospitals eligible to withhold data, Inpatient and Outpatient Healthcare Quality Systems Development and Program Support must receive the Request for Withholding Data from Public Reporting Form no later than December 24, 2026.