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The following are items of special interest:

- Data dictionary data elements
- References in the sepsis Measure Information Form
- Updated transmission section to align with the Hospital Quality Reporting Secure Portal functionality

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