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**Subject:** Now Accepting Public Comments on the Draft 2022 CMS QRDA I Implementation

**Guide for Hospital Quality Reporting** 

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has posted the draft 2022 CMS Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) Category I Implementation Guide (IG) for Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) for public comment. The draft IG will be available for public comment starting on **March 3, 2021** and ending at 5 p.m. eastern time (ET) on **March 24, 2021**. The 2022 CMS QRDA I IG outlines requirements for eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals to report electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) for the calendar year 2022 reporting period. Visit the QRDA Issue Tracker on the ONC Project Tracking System (Jira) website to submit comments.

The 2022 CMS QRDA I IG uses the same base Health Level 7 (HL7) QRDA I standard as the 2021 CMS QRDA I IG: Quality Reporting Document Architecture Category I (QRDA I), Release 1, STU Release 5.2 with errata

The draft 2022 CMS QRDA I IG contains the high-level change compared with the 2021 CMS QRDA I IG:

• Updates to Section 6 Hybrid Measure/CCDE Voluntary Submission for the 2022 voluntary reporting period

Information about submitting comments:

- Ticket number: QRDA-971
- You must have a JIRA account to submit a comment.
- We are accepting comments until 5:00 p.m. ET on March 24, 2021.

Please note, this is a *draft* document and the contents are subject to change. Contents may change based on final rules and your comments. We look forward to receiving your feedback on the draft 2022 CMS QRDA I IG.

## **Additional QRDA-Related Resources:**

To find out more about QRDA and eCQMs, visit the <u>Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement</u> (eCQI) Resource Center.

For questions related to the QRDA Implementation Guides and/or Schematrons, visit the <u>ONC Project Tracking System (Jira) QRDA project</u>.