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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) [Care Compare](#) website provides consumers with information on over 100 quality measures for over 4,000 hospitals nationwide, including Veterans Administration (VA) medical centers and Department of Defense (DoD) military hospitals.

With the [Provider Data Catalog](#), users can explore and download hospital data, as well as data on ambulatory surgical centers, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and some cancer hospitals. Publicly displaying quality information encourages hospitals and other health care facilities to make continued improvements in care.

CMS updates the data on Care Compare and the Provider Data Catalog websites quarterly, though not all data are updated each quarter.

CMS postponed publicly reporting the October 2023 Data Refresh for Hospitals until November 8, 2023.

Data Updates

Today, November 8, 2023, CMS has updated data for hospitals on the [Care Compare](#) and [Provider Data Catalog](#) websites.

CMS updated data for the following measures, measure groups, quality reporting programs and payment programs:

- Complications & death
- Electronic Clinical Quality Measures
- Healthcare associated infections (HAI)
- Maternal health
- Timely and effective care
- Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality Reporting (ASCQR)
- Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey (includes data on Medicare-certified hospitals, PCH hospitals, VA medical centers, and Department of Defense [DoD] hospitals)
- Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR)
- Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgery Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (OAS CAHPS) Survey for ambulatory surgical centers and hospital outpatient

- departments
- Prospective Payment System -Exempt Cancer Hospital (PCH) Quality Reporting Program

CMS has not added any new measures or retired measures for October/November 2023 public reporting on Care Compare.

Beginning in October/November, CMS will begin reporting data for the following new measure and will only be provided on the Provider Data Catalog:

- PCH-36; Percentage of unplanned readmissions within 30 days of discharge from an eligible index admission for cancer patients.

Beginning in October/November, VA medical centers will begin to publicly report the following Electronic Clinical Quality Measures on Provider Data Catalog:

- STK-02; Ischemic stroke patients prescribed or continuing to take antithrombotic therapy at hospital discharge
- STK-06; Ischemic stroke patients who are prescribed or continuing to take statin medication at hospital discharge
- VTE-1; Percent of patients that received VTE prophylaxis after hospital admission or surgery
- VTE-2; Intensive Care Unit Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis

CMS has added a new “Birthing Friendly” icon for hospitals that meet criteria to receive a birthing friendly designation. The new icon will be displayed on Care Compare for facilities that meet the criteria. Hospitals meet criteria by acknowledging that they participate in a state or national program to improve the quality of care for mothers and babies (perinatal) by applying patient safety practices.

More Information and Compare Websites

For more information on Care Compare, please visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/>

For more information on the Provider Data Catalog, please visit: <https://data.cms.gov/provider-data/topics/hospitals>

For general questions regarding Hospital Public Reporting go to the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#). Under Program please select: Hospital Care Compare Site Support and choose your specific Topic. This will get your inquiry directly to the Hospital Care Compare Site inbox.

For questions regarding Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings go to the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#). Under Program please select: Overall Hospital Star Ratings and choose your specific Topic. This will get your inquiry directly to the Overall Star Ratings inbox.