Hospital Outpatient Quality Reporting Program

Topics to Cover

PROPOSED RULE
Comments are due by **September 24, 2018** by 5 p.m.

DOWNLOADING YOUR PREVIEW REPORT
Remember to download your report by **August 25, 2018**

REMINDERS
The next quarterly clinical data submission deadline is **November 1, 2018 by 11:59 PT**

SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL
Appendix A ICD-10 Code updates will be available October 1, 2018
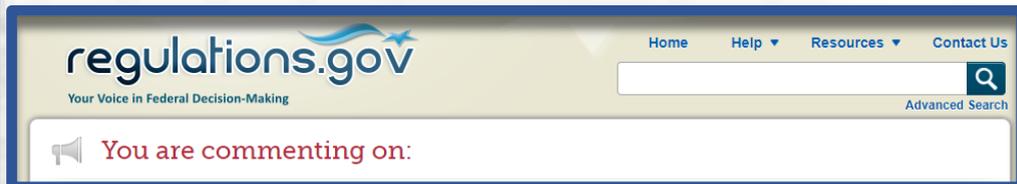
EDUCATION EVENTS
Discovery: Planet Data **September 19, 2018 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.**

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE
CDR vs CDR

August 2018 Proposed Rule: Making a Comment

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) urges the Hospital OQR community to participate in the Proposed Rule comment process. Public comments are vital, informing the finalization of program proposals for the CY 2019 OPPS/ASC Final Rule. Comments on these proposals are due by **September 24 at 5 p.m. Eastern Time** and can be made at www.regulations.gov.

All comments received before the close of the comment period are available for viewing by the public, including any personally identifiable or confidential business information that is included in a comment. CMS posts all comments received before the close of the comment period on the following website as soon as possible after they have been received: www.regulations.gov.

Remember, even one comment can have an impact.

Downloading Your Preview Report

Don't forget! You have until August 25, 2018 to download your October *Hospital Compare* Preview Report.

The Preview Reports are for hospitals and facilities participating in the Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting (IQR), Hospital Outpatient Quality Reporting (OQR), and Prospective Payment System (PPS)-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) Programs.

Hospitals are encouraged to access and download reports early in the preview period in order to have time for a thorough review. The Preview Reports are *only* available during the preview period.
Click here to access the help guide:
https://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetBasic&cid=1228776669452

Hospital Outpatient Quality Reporting Program Support is available by calling, toll-free, 866.800.8756 weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.

or

through the Outpatient Questions and Answers tool at
https://cms-ocsq.custhelp.com,

Reminders

Quarter 2 (April-June) 2018 Quarterly Clinical Measure Data Submission Deadline is November 1, 2018. If you are sampling (e.g., the ED-Throughput measure), it is okay to have fewer cases in your *Total Cases Accepted by Submission Deadline* column, but make sure that the number meets the Sampling Criteria threshold.

Specifications Manual Update

Appendix A updates to ICD-10 codes in Hospital OQR Specifications Manual version 11.0b will be available for download by **October 1, 2018** for 10/1/2018-12/31/2018 encounters.

Upcoming Education Events

Discovery: Planet Data

September 19, 2018

10 AM & 2 PM

Join us as we take a journey to discover, analyze, and report Hospital OQR Program Data

CDR vs CDR: What's the Difference?

Process of Care Measures CDR ← → **Claims-based Measures CDR**

What is included?

Patient level data for clinical measure sets AMI, CP, and Stroke

Patient level data for claims-based measures (OP-32, 35, 36)

How do I access the report?

QualityNet> Run Reports> OQR program> Report Category: Hospital Reporting> Annual Payment Update Reports

Auto routed to QualityNet inbox via Secure File Transfer (SFT). Facilities do not need to request this report.

When is it available?

This report is available 3 times per reporting quarter. You may run this report at anytime.

This report is available twice per year.