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Subject: Now Accepting Public Comments through March 28, 2024 on the Draft 2025 CMS QRDA I Implementation Guide and Schematron for Hospital Quality Reporting

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has posted the draft 2025 CMS Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) Category I Implementation Guide (IG) and Schematron for Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR). The public comment period begins on **March 7, 2025,** and ends at 5 p.m. eastern time (ET) on **March 28, 2024**.

The 2025 CMS QRDA I IG outlines requirements for eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals to report electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) for the calendar year 2025 reporting period. The 2025 CMS QRDA I IG uses the same base Health Level Seven International® (HL7) QRDA I standard as the 2024 CMS QRDA I IG.

Changes to the draft 2025 CMS QRDA I IG:
- Updates to support the 2025 reporting period
- Updates validation rule CMS_0084 on the Medicare Beneficiary Identification Number (MBI) requirement for hybrid measures
- Removal of section 6.1 Submitting the encounter id associated with a CCDE

Instructions for submitting comments:
- Review the ONC Project Tracking System (Jira) ticket number: QRDA-1202
- You must have a JIRA account to submit a comment
- We are accepting comments until 5:00 p.m. ET on **March 28, 2024**

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 2025 CMS QRDA I IG.

Additional QRDA-Related Resources:
To find out more about QRDA and eCQMs, visit the Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement (eCQI) Resource Center. For questions related to the QRDA Implementation Guides and/or Schematrons, visit the ONC Project Tracking System (Jira) QRDA project.