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*Quality Reporting Center's Biweekly News Blast*

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We are well into January, with its winter weather and winter fun such as snowboarding, skiing, and sled riding. But things can turn treacherous if you're not prepared – icy roads and poor equipment can sometimes derail these fun times. Don't let yourself get derailed this year and miss meeting the requirements for the ASC Quality Reporting (ASCQR) Program!

Here are some things you can do to stay on track:

- ✱ **Make sure you're submitting Quality Data Codes (QDCs) for ASC-1 through ASC-4.**  
Each claim must have a minimum of one or a maximum of four QDCs submitted. If no event happens for these measures, you can use the "blanket" code of G-8907.
- ✱ **Review your remittance advice** to ensure that Medicare received your QDCs.  
The new year can bring changes to your software, so inspect your RAs to ensure that those QDCs are being credited to your facility.
- ✱ Check to see that **codes for ASC-5 are no longer added** to claims.  
The Prophylactic Antibiotic Timing measure was removed from the ASCQR Program, so you don't need to include G8916, G8917, G8918, or G8919 on your claims any longer.
- ✱ **Keep our contact information handy.**  
We can help you by phone (866.800.8756), by email (<https://cms-ocsq.custhelp.com>), or by sharing your screen. You can call us for an on-the-spot desktop sharing session or use our nifty [appointment link](#) because we're cool like that.

So stay on track, stay warm, and don't forget the marshmallows for your hot chocolate!