

Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality Reporting Program

Support Contractor

The Lifecycle of Healthcare Quality Measures

Questions & Answers

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Question 1: Have specs been released for OP-33 yet?

Answer 1: OP-33 specs are in final review. The measure will be released on or

before January 1, 2016.

Question 2: How can CMS "collect data and report measure results" when it has data

contractors that don't allow review and correction of inaccurate data

contained in the data reporting systems?

Answer 2: The claims are submitted by the facilities, and once a claim is adjudicated,

there is no correction process. This applies to all CMS programs.

Question 3: Why is colonoscopy a hospital measure? It is a physician/provider

practice.

Answer 3: CMS recognizes that this procedure is performed not only in physician

offices but also in hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers. Because of this, CMS believes that these facilities should be responsible for the

quality of care a patient receives.