



# **PCHQR – Public Reporting and Hospital Compare**

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# Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify the purpose of Public Reporting and Hospital Compare
- Discuss how to access and run Preview Reports for Public Reporting
- Access Hospital Compare data on the Hospital Compare website
- Explain PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) data displayed on Hospital Compare

# Hospital Compare

- A website created by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to display publicly reported hospital quality performance information
  - [www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare](http://www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare)
- Was developed as a collaboration between CMS and the nation's hospitals
- Presents hospital performance data in a consistent, unified manner to ensure the availability of credible information about the care delivered in the nation's hospitals

# Goals of PCHQR Public Reporting

The goals of making PCHQR data available to the public include, but are not limited to:

- Allowing the public to compare PCHs to make informed healthcare decisions regarding care settings
- Providing information about current trends in healthcare

# PCHQR Public Reporting Requirements

- FY 2015 Final Rule – PCHQR Program
  - [www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-22/pdf/2014-18545.pdf](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-22/pdf/2014-18545.pdf)  
pages 50281-50282
- Public display requirements beginning with the FY 2014 program include:
  - Establishing procedures for making the data submitted under the PCHQR Program available to the public
  - Allowing hospitals to have the opportunity to review their data prior to such data being made public
  - Providing a preview period of 30 days prior to making data public

# Cancer-Specific Measures

CMS identifies the three Cancer-specific measures as:

- **PCH-01 Adjuvant Chemotherapy** – considered or administered within four months (120 days) of diagnosis to patients under the age of 80 with AJCC III (lymph node positive) colon cancer (NQF #0223)
- **PCH-02 Combination Chemotherapy** – considered or administered within four months (120 days) of diagnosis for women under 70 with AJCC T1c, or Stage II or III hormone receptor negative breast cancer (NQF #0559)
- **PCH-03 Adjuvant Hormonal Therapy** – Tamoxifen or third generation aromatase inhibitor is considered or administered within one year (365 days) of diagnosis for women with AJCC T1cN0M0, or Stage IB - III hormone receptor positive breast cancer (NQF #0220)

# Public Display of Adjuvant Chemotherapy and Combination Chemotherapy Measures

The FY 2014 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS)/Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Prospective Payment System (PPS) Final Rule (78 FR 50847 through 50848) finalized public display of the following measures for FY 2014 and subsequent years:

- Adjuvant Chemotherapy (NQF #0223)
- Combination Chemotherapy(NQF #0559)

# Final Rule Additions/Changes for Public Reporting

FY 2015 Final Rule added:

- **Adjuvant Hormonal Therapy (NQF #0220)**

Expected no later than FY 2017:

- **NHSN Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI) (NQF #0138)**
- **NHSN Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) (NQF #0139)**

# PCHQR Measures on Hospital Compare

Release Date	Measures Displayed	Quarters Displayed
December 2014	PCH-01	Q1, Q2, Q3 2013
	PCH-02	Q1, Q2, Q3 2013
April 2015	PCH-01	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2013
	PCH-02	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2013
July 2015	PCH-01	Q2, Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1 2014
	PCH-02	Q2, Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1 2014
October 2015	PCH-01	Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2 2014
	PCH-02	Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2 2014
	PCH-03	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2013
December 2015	PCH-01	Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2, Q3 2014
	PCH-02	Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2, Q3 2014
	PCH-03	Q2, Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1 2014

# Rolling Quarters

- Data is displayed based on four quarters of data.
- Until four quarters are displayed, all available quarters are used.
- Once four quarters have been reached, as a new quarter is included, the first quarter used is 'dropped off.'

# Thinking About Rolling Quarters

## An Example: Rolling Grades

At the beginning of the semester, the chemistry teacher told the class that there would be a total of six graded experiments. Once we had completed five experiments, only the four most recent grades would be used to calculate our grade average. The teacher explained that sometimes students take a while to understand the material. This grading approach gives them a chance to look at their grade trends (are they getting better), review their work, and identify opportunities for improvement. Here are my grades in the class. I identified ways to improve on the experiments. The first two low grades stopped bringing down my grade as I went through the semester, and did not get counted in my final grade.

Experiment #1	Experiment #2	Experiment #3	Experiment #4	Experiment #5	Experiment #6	Grade Average
68						68.0
68	74					71.0
68	74	80				74.0
68	74	80	90			78.0
X	74	80	90	96		85.0
X	X	80	90	96	100	91.5

# Accessing and Reviewing Public Reporting Preview Reports

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# Preview Period

Prior to the release of data on *Hospital Compare*, hospitals are given the opportunity to review data during a 30-day preview period via *the QualityNet Secure Portal*, the only CMS-approved website for secure healthcare quality data exchange at [www.qualitynet.org](http://www.qualitynet.org).

# Preview Period

- The Preview Period allows hospitals to review their data before the data is publically posted on *Hospital Compare*.
- This is your hospital's opportunity to see your information prior to the public release.
- During the Preview Period you cannot change your data.
- This is an opportunity to review your trends and start planning a course of action, as needed.

# ***Hospital Compare Release Dates for Calendar Year 2015***

<b>Hospital Compare Releases for Calendar Year 2015</b>		
<b>Release</b>	<b>Anticipated Release Date</b>	<b>Anticipated Preview Dates</b>
April	April 16, 2015	December 31, 2014–January 29, 2015
July	July 16, 2015	April 3, 2015–May 2, 2015
October	October 8, 2015	July 2, 2015–August 2, 2015
December	December 10, 2015	September 15, 2015–October 14, 2015

# Preview Report Access

**Users must be enrolled and proofed in the QualityNet Secure Portal in order to access your Preview Report.**

- The Preview Report is accessed via the QualityNet Secure Portal. To access a preview report, the user must be:
  - Registered as a QualityNet user
    - Registration Instructions are available on the QualityNet homepage by selecting the “Registration” link under the PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting Program tab on the QualityNet page. Direct link is [www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetBasic&cid=1144767874620](http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetBasic&cid=1144767874620)
  - Assigned the “Hospital Reporting Feedback” role
    - Assigned by a hospital’s QualityNet Security Administrator (SA)

# QualityNet Registration

The screenshot shows the QualityNet website interface. At the top, there is a logo for QualityNet and a login link for the QualityNet Secure Portal (formerly MyQualityNet). Below the header, there is a navigation bar with tabs for Home, My QualityNet, and Help. Under the My QualityNet tab, there are several links: Hospitals - Inpatient, Hospitals - Outpatient, Physician Offices, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals (circled in red), ESRD Facilities, and Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities. On the left side, there is a sidebar with a 'Registration' section. Under this section, there is a 'Getting Started with QualityNet' link, and a list of links: System Requirements, Registration (circled in red), Sign-In Instructions, Security Statement, and Password Rules. The main content area is titled 'QualityNet Registration' and 'PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals'. It contains a paragraph explaining the registration process and a list of user roles: Security Administrator and Basic User.

**QualityNet**

Log in to QualityNet Secure Portal (formerly MyQualityNet)

Log In

Home My QualityNet Help

Hospitals - Inpatient Hospitals - Outpatient Physician Offices Ambulatory Surgical Centers **PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals** ESRD Facilities Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities

**Registration**

**Getting Started with QualityNet**

- System Requirements
- **Registration**
- Sign-In Instructions
- Security Statement
- Password Rules

**QualityNet Registration**  
**PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals**

All users requesting access to the QualityNet Secure Portal (formerly, *My QualityNet*) must be individually approved and verified. This mandatory registration process is used to maintain the confidentiality and security of healthcare information and data transmitted via the Secure Portal. The process begins with registration for a QualityNet account.

For registration instructions, select your user classification below:

- **Security Administrator**  
The QualityNet Security Administrator facilitates the registration process for other users at the organization. Typically, an organization designates two Security Administrators. See the [Security Administrator Responsibilities](#) for a more complete list of duties. Providers submitting data (or using a vendor to submit data on their behalf) and accessing secured reports via the QualityNet Secure Portal are **required** to designate a Security Administrator.
- **Basic User**  
All other registered QualityNet users in an organization are considered basic users.

# Accessing Your Preview Report

- Access the public website for QualityNet at [www.qualitynet.org](http://www.qualitynet.org).
- Select [Login], under the “Log in to *QualityNet* Secure Portal” header.
- Enter your QualityNet User ID, Password, and Security Code.
  - Select [Submit].
- Read the Terms and Conditions statement and select [I Accept] to proceed.
  - If [I Decline] is selected, the program closes.

# Running Your Preview Report

- Select **[Run Reports]** from the “My Reports” drop-down.



- Select **[PCH]** from the “Report Program” drop-down.
- Select **[Public Reporting – Preview Reports]** from the list in the “Report Category” drop-down.
- Select **[View Reports]**
  - The selected report will display under “Report Name.”
- Select **[Public Reporting – Preview Reports]** under “Report Name.”
- Select **[Run Reports]**.

# Viewing Your Preview Report

- Select the **[Search Reports]** tab.
  - The report requested will display, as well as the report status.
- A green check mark will display in the “Status” column when the report is complete.
- Once complete, the report can be viewed or downloaded.

# Viewing Your Preview Report Details

- Hospital characteristics display at the top of the report and include:
  - Address
  - Telephone number
  - County name
  - Type of facility
  - Type of ownership
  - Emergency service provider status
- CMS Certification Number (CCN) and hospital name display above the hospital characteristics
- PCHQR measures included in Public Reporting with your data are displayed

xxxxxx - Test Hospital	
Address:	Type of Facility:
City, State, ZIP:	Type of Ownership:
Phone Number:	Emergency Service Provided:
County Name:	

# Sample Preview Report

## December 2014 Release

Report Run Date: 09/17/2014

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### Hospital Compare Preview Report: PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Report

Reporting Period for PPS-Exempt Cancer Measures: First Quarter 2013 through Third Quarter 2013

Type of Facility: Short-term  
Type of Ownership: Voluntary non-profit - Other  
Emergency Service Provided: No

Measure Set: Cancer Specific Measure	Measure	Numerator	Denominator	Rate
Last ACoS Update*: 08/12/2014	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	14	14	100%
	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor-Negative Breast Cancer	20	21	95.2%

\*Last ACoS Update is the date of the most recently updated Cancer Specific Measure data for the discharge quarter from the American College of Surgeons.

- **Footnote #1** The number of cases/patients is too few to report
  - Applied to any measure rate where the denominators are greater than 0 and less than 11. Data will display on the Preview Report but will **not** display on *Hospital Compare*.

# Rounding Rules

All rates (provider, state, and national) are rounded to the nearest whole number (i.e., no use of fractions) using the following rounding logic, unless otherwise stated:

- Above [x.5], round up to the nearest whole number
- Below [x.5], round down to the nearest whole number
- Exactly [x.5] and "x" is an even number, round down to the nearest whole, even number
  - Rounding to the even number is a statistically accepted methodology
- Exactly [x.5] and "x" is an odd number, round up to the nearest whole, even number
  - Rounding to the even number is a statistically accepted methodology

# Knowing Your Preview and Release Schedules

- Preview Periods and Releases occur four times per year
  - Release is the first month of the start of a calendar quarter
    - December Release is an exception

EXAMPLE OF RELEASE AND PREVIEW SCHEDULE	
2015 Release Month	Preview Period
April	December 31–January 29, 2015
July	April 3–May 2, 2015
October	July 2–August 2, 2015
December	September 15–October 14, 2015

- A Release date follows a Preview Period by approximately 30–45 days
  - Occurs during the Preview Period for the next/subsequent Hospital Compare Release

# Another Look – Measure Display Schedule for 2015

Hospital Compare Release	Preview Dates (Anticipated)	Hospital Compare Release Dates (Anticipated)	Measures	Quarters Displayed
April	December 31, 2014–January 29, 2015	April 16, 2015	PCH-1, PCH-2	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2013
July	April 3, 2015–May 2, 2015	July 16, 2015	PCH-1, PCH-2	Q2, Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1 2014
October	July 2, 2015–August 2, 2015	October 8, 2015	PCH-1, PCH-2	Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2 2014
			PCH-3	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2013
December	September 15, 2015–October 14, 2015	December 10, 2015	PCH-1, PCH-2	Q4 2013 and Q1, Q2, Q3 2014
			PCH-3	Q2, Q3, Q4 2013 and Q1 2014

# Getting Ready for the July 2015 Hospital Compare Release

- The anticipated Preview Period is April 3–May 2, 2015.
- You have 30 days to review your Preview Reports.
- Once the Preview Period is closed, the Preview Reports are no longer available on *QualityNet*.
- Be sure to download or save your Preview Reports for future reference.
- You cannot change the data.
  - Use the data to track trends, plan a course of action, develop quality improvement targets.

# Accessing and Viewing the Hospital Compare Data

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# Hospital Compare Website

- **This section applies to the IPPS hospitals.**

- It provides the capability to search for several hospitals and compare measure data.
- At this point, this functionality **does not apply to the PCHQR program.**
- For PCHQR data, scroll down to the **Spotlight** section.

[www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare/search.html](http://www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare/search.html)

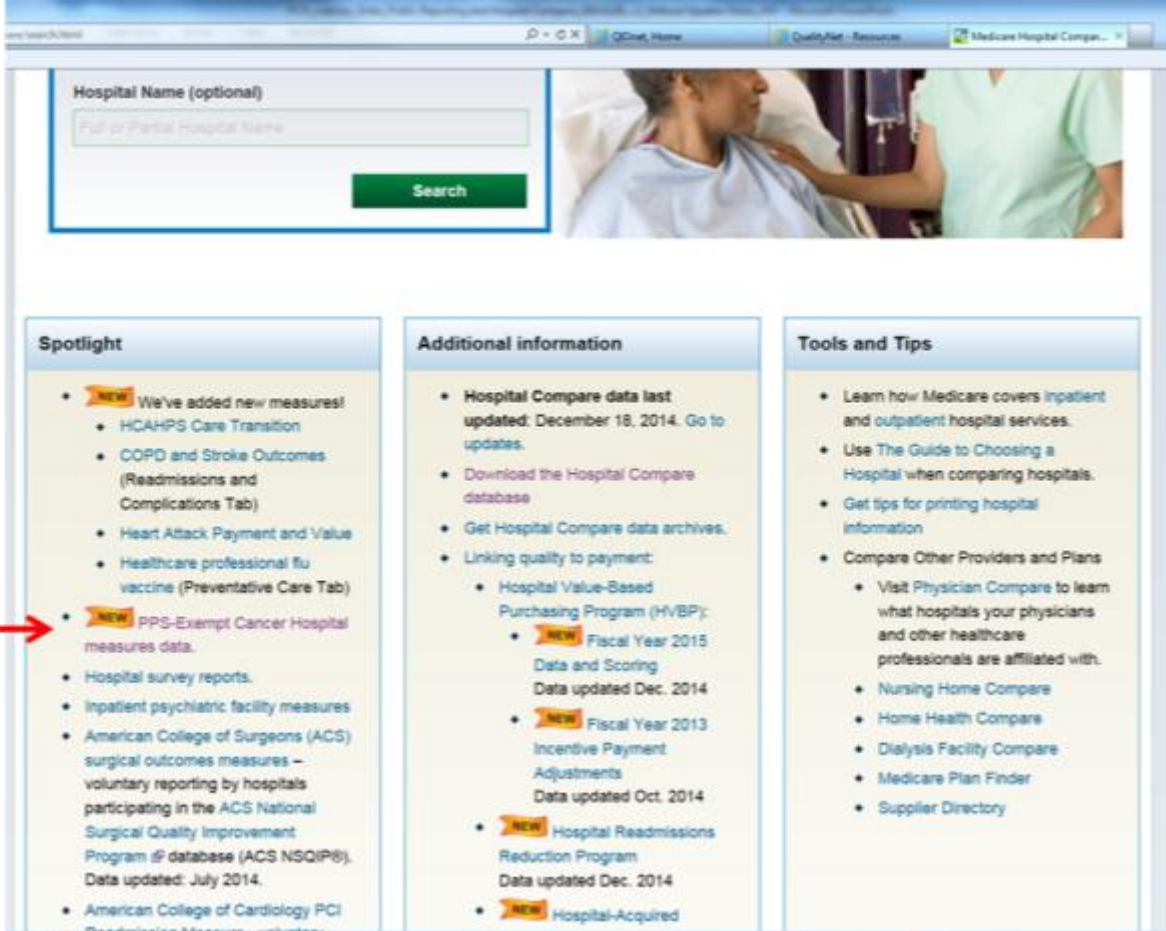


The screenshot shows the Medicare.gov Hospital Compare search interface. At the top, there are links for 'Español', 'A A A', and 'Print'. Navigation links include 'About Us', 'FAQ', 'Glossary', 'Medicare.gov', 'CMS.gov', and 'MyMedicare.gov Login'. The main header reads 'Medicare.gov | Hospital Compare' with the subtitle 'The Official U.S. Government Site for Medicare'. Below this is a navigation bar with buttons for 'Hospital Compare Home', 'About Hospital Compare', 'About the data', 'Resources', and 'Help'. A 'Home' link and a 'Share' button are also present. The main section is titled 'Find a hospital' and contains a search form. The form has a note: 'A field with an asterisk (\*) is required'. It includes a 'Location' field with an example '45602 or Lima, OH or Ohio', a 'ZIP Code or City, State or State' field, a 'Hospital Name (optional)' field with a placeholder 'Full or Partial Hospital Name', and a green 'Search' button. To the right of the form is a photograph of a healthcare professional in green scrubs attending to an elderly patient in a hospital bed.

# PCHQR Program and Hospital Compare

Under the **Spotlight** area, look for the New PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital measure data link.

Click on the link.



The screenshot shows the Medicare Hospital Compare website interface. At the top, there is a search bar labeled 'Hospital Name (optional)' with a placeholder 'Full or Partial Hospital Name' and a green 'Search' button. To the right of the search bar is a photograph of a patient in a hospital bed being attended to by a healthcare professional. Below the search bar, the page is divided into three main sections: 'Spotlight', 'Additional information', and 'Tools and Tips'. The 'Spotlight' section contains a list of updates, with a red arrow pointing to the 'NEW PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital measures data' link. The 'Additional information' section lists updates to the Hospital Compare data and links to various programs. The 'Tools and Tips' section provides links to learn more about Medicare services and hospital comparison tools.

**Spotlight**

- **NEW** We've added new measures!
  - HCAHPS Care Transition
  - COPD and Stroke Outcomes (Readmissions and Complications Tab)
  - Heart Attack Payment and Value
  - Healthcare professional flu vaccine (Preventative Care Tab)
- **NEW** PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital measures data.
- Hospital survey reports.
- Inpatient psychiatric facility measures
- American College of Surgeons (ACS) surgical outcomes measures – voluntary reporting by hospitals participating in the ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (ACS NSQIP®). Data updated: July 2014.
- American College of Cardiology PCI

**Additional information**

- Hospital Compare data last updated: December 18, 2014. Go to updates.
- Download the Hospital Compare database
- Get Hospital Compare data archives.
- Linking quality to payment:
  - Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program (HVBP):
    - **NEW** Fiscal Year 2015 Data and Scoring Data updated Dec. 2014
    - **NEW** Fiscal Year 2013 Incentive Payment Adjustments Data updated Oct. 2014
  - **NEW** Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program Data updated Dec. 2014
  - **NEW** Hospital-Acquired

**Tools and Tips**

- Learn how Medicare covers inpatient and outpatient hospital services.
- Use The Guide to Choosing a Hospital when comparing hospitals.
- Get tips for printing hospital information
- Compare Other Providers and Plans
  - Visit Physician Compare to learn what hospitals your physicians and other healthcare professionals are affiliated with.
  - Nursing Home Compare
  - Home Health Compare
  - Dialysis Facility Compare
  - Medicare Plan Finder
  - Supplier Directory

# Current Hospital Compare Website

**Updated  
December 18, 2014**

**PCHQR data for  
January 1–September 30, 2013**

## **PCHQR Measures Displayed:**

- Adjuvant chemotherapy is considered or administered with positive lymph node colon cancer.
- Combination chemotherapy is considered or administered with Stage II or Stage III hormone receptor negative breast cancer.
- *Higher numbers are better* for both measures.

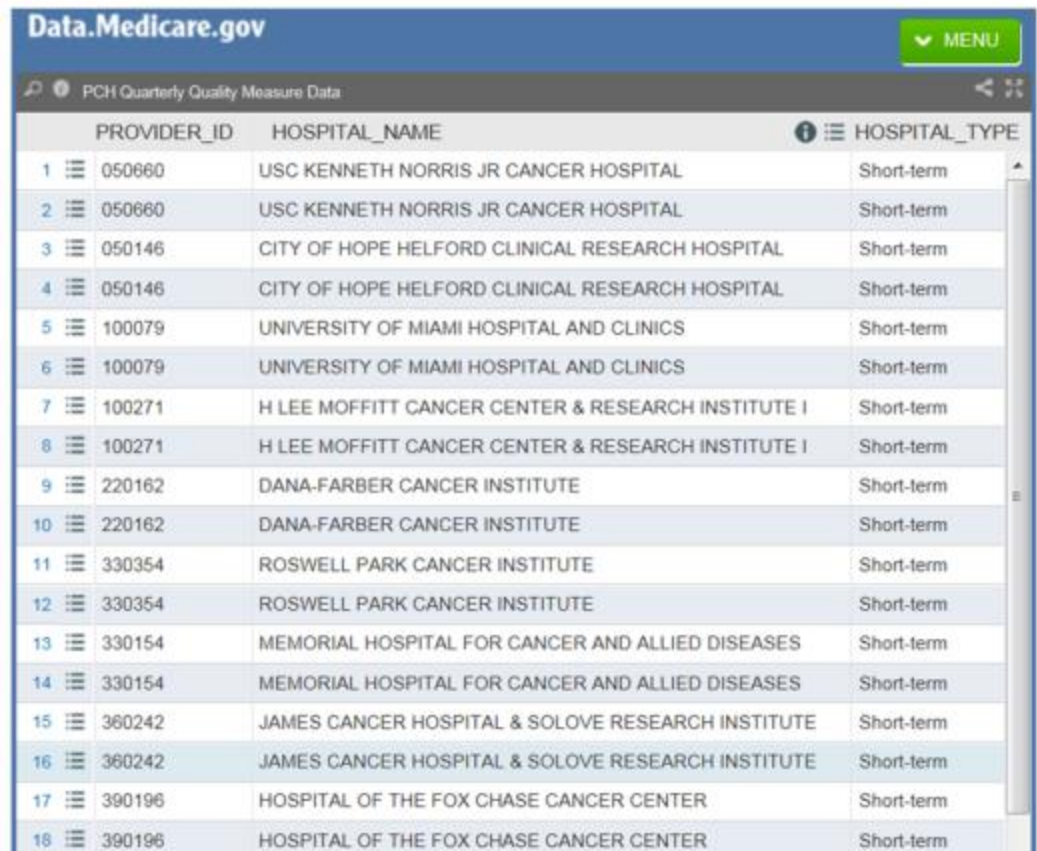


# PCHQR Program and Hospital Compare

- The data displayed on Hospital Compare is public.
- You and anyone else, including patients and providers, can see your data and the data from other PCHs.

Data Reporting Period: January 1, 2013 – September 30, 2013

If you would like to sort or filter these data, click the three-line menu icon for a column header.



	PROVIDER_ID	HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE
1	050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term
2	050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term
3	050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term
4	050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term
5	100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term
6	100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term
7	100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term
8	100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term
9	220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
10	220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
11	330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
12	330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
13	330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term
14	330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term
15	360242	JAMES CANCER HOSPITAL & SOLOVE RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Short-term
16	360242	JAMES CANCER HOSPITAL & SOLOVE RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Short-term
17	390196	HOSPITAL OF THE FOX CHASE CANCER CENTER	Short-term
18	390196	HOSPITAL OF THE FOX CHASE CANCER CENTER	Short-term

# PCHQR Program and Hospital Compare

- Each PCH is listed twice
  - Once for each of the two PCHQR measure data displayed
- Two ways to view the data:
  - Click on the 'PCH Quarterly Measure Data' link to see a table with a summary of PCHQR data by PCH.
  - Click on the number hyperlink or three-line icon to see individual measure data.

If you would like to sort or filter these data, click the three-line menu icon for a column header.

Data.Medicare.gov			MENU
PCH Quarterly Quality Measure Data			
PROVIDER_ID	HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE	
050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term	
100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term	
100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term	
100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term	
100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term	
220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term	
220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term	
330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term	
330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term	
330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term	
330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term	
360242	JAMES CANCER HOSPITAL & SOLOVE RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Short-term	
360242	JAMES CANCER HOSPITAL & SOLOVE RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Short-term	
390196	HOSPITAL OF THE FOX CHASE CANCER CENTER	Short-term	
390196	HOSPITAL OF THE FOX CHASE CANCER CENTER	Short-term	
450076	UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS M D ANDERSON CANCER CENTER, THE	Short-term	
450076	UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS M D ANDERSON CANCER CENTER, THE	Short-term	
500138	SEATTLE CANCER CARE ALLIANCE	Short-term	
500138	SEATTLE CANCER CARE ALLIANCE	Short-term	

# PCH Quarterly Measure Data Link

- A table displays all the PCHs and the associated measure data.
- Everything on Hospital Compare is public.

The screenshot shows the Data.Medicare.gov website. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Datasets, Medicare Websites and Directories, Developers, Help, and About. A red circle highlights the 'PCH Quarterly Quality Measure Data' link under the 'Datasets' tab. Below this, a table lists hospitals with columns for PROVIDER\_ID, HOSPITAL\_NAME, HOSPITAL\_TYPE, and ADDRESS. A blue box highlights the 'Measure Data' section, which contains a table with columns for MEASURE\_ID, MEASURE\_DESCRIPTION, NUMERATOR, DENOMINATOR, FOOTNOTE, REPORTING\_START\_DT, and REPORTING\_END\_DT. A text box with a blue border and white background is overlaid on the table, stating: 'Scroll across page to see Measure information: Numerator, Denominator, Footnote, Reporting Start and End dates.'

PROVIDER_ID	HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE	ADDRESS
050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term	1441 EASTLA
050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term	1500 E DUAR
050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term	1500 E DUAR
1475 NW 12T			
1475 NW 12T			
12902 MAGN			
12902 MAGN			
450 BROOKL			
450 BROOKL			
ELM AND CA			
ELM AND CA			
1275 YORK A			
1275 YORK A			
330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term	1275 YORK A
330154	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER AND ALLIED DISEASES	Short-term	1275 YORK A

MEASURE_ID	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION	NUMERATOR	DENOMINATOR	FOOTNOTE	REPORTING_START_DT	REPORTING_END_DT
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	Not Available	Not Available	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	Not Available	Not Available	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	18	19	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	22	26	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	14	14	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	28	21	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	11	12	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	42	45	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	28	29	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	73	77	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	Not Available	Not Available	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	28	21	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-1	Adjusted Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	63	67	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13
PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor Negative Breast Cancer	137	141	1	01-JAN-13	30-SEP-13

# PCH Quarterly Measure Data Link

- A table displays listing all the PCHs and the associated measure data.
- Everything on Hospital Compare is public.

PROVIDER_ID	HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP_CODE	COUNTY_NAME	MEASURE_ID	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION
050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term	1441 EASTLAKE AVE	LOS ANGELES	CA	90089	LOS ANGELES	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chem
050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term	1441 EASTLAKE AVE	LOS ANGELES	CA	90089	LOS ANGELES	PCH-2	Combination Ch
050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term	1500 E DUARTE ROAD	DUARTE	CA	91010	LOS ANGELES	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chem
050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term	1500 E DUARTE ROAD	DUARTE	CA	91010	LOS ANGELES	PCH-2	Combination Ch
100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term	1475 NW 12TH AVE	MIAMI	FL	33136	DADE	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chem
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- You can also click on the three-line icon to display a specific row of data.
- Remember to look at the bottom of screen to see the measure display.
- Scroll up and down to see entire display.

HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE	ADDRESS	MEASURE_ID	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION	NUMERATOR	DENOMINATOR
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term	1475 NW 12TH AVE	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer	14	14

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# PCH Quarterly Measure Data Link

- You can also see the individual measure data by clicking on the number hyperlink or the three-line icon on the initial display screen.
- Remember to look at the bottom of screen to see the measure display.
- Scroll up and down to see entire display.

If you would like to sort or filter these data, click the three-line menu icon for a column header.

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	PROVIDER_ID	HOSPITAL_NAME	HOSPITAL_TYPE
1	050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term
2	050660	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	Short-term
3	050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term
4	050146	CITY OF HOPE HELFORD CLINICAL RESEARCH HOSPITAL	Short-term
5	100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term
6	100079	UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Short-term
7	100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term
8	100271	H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE I	Short-term
9	220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
10	220162	DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
11	330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term
12	330354	ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE	Short-term

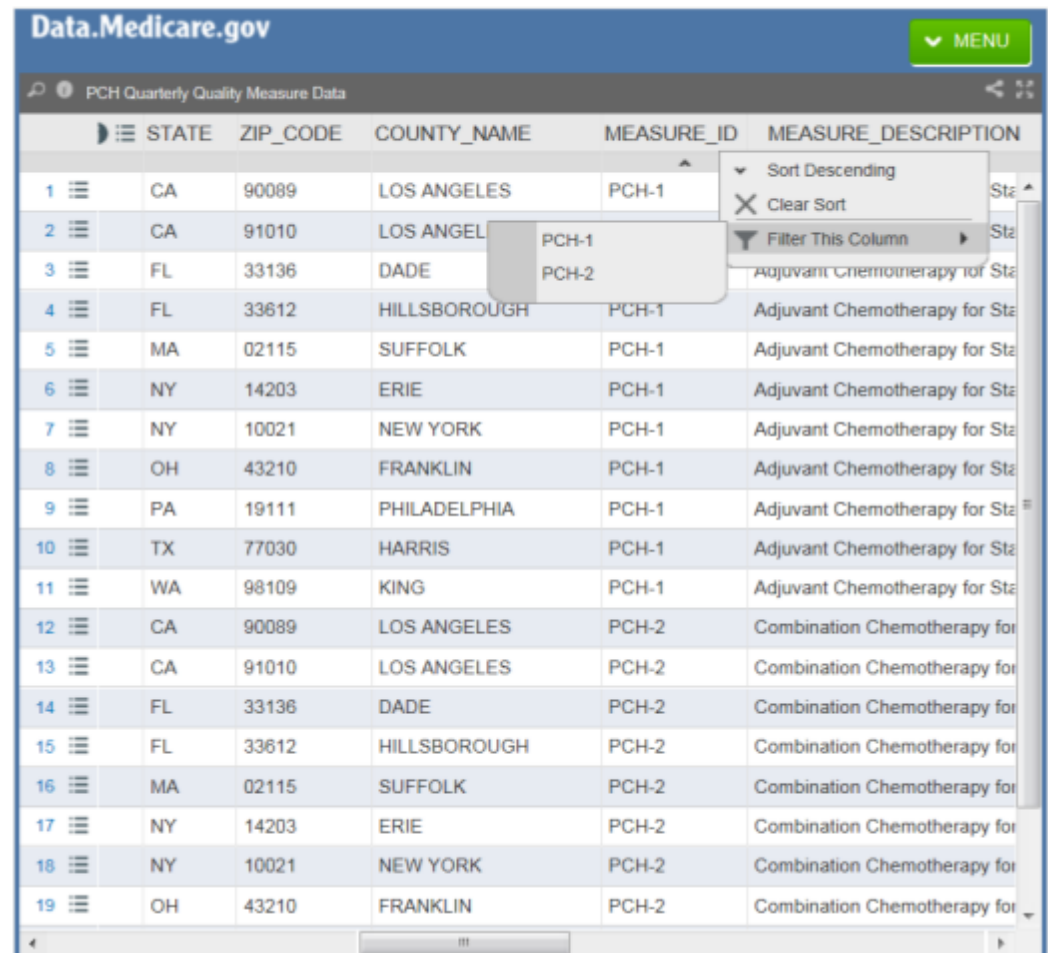
HOSPITAL_NAME	MEASURE_DESCRIPTOR
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HOSPITAL AND CLINICS	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer
HOSPITAL_TYPE	Short-term
NUMERATOR	14
ADDRESS	1475 NW 12TH AVE
DENOMINATOR	14

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# PCH Quarterly Measure Data Link

- You can also click on a column header to sort the list.
  - Example: Click on the **Measure\_ID** column header to sort the PCH-1 and PCH-2 measures into two groups.

If you would like to sort or filter these data, click the three-line menu icon for a column header.



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PCH Quarterly Quality Measure Data

	STATE	ZIP_CODE	COUNTY_NAME	MEASURE_ID	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION
1	CA	90089	LOS ANGELES	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
2	CA	91010	LOS ANGELES	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
3	FL	33136	DADE	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
4	FL	33612	HILLSBOROUGH	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
5	MA	02115	SUFFOLK	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
6	NY	14203	ERIE	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
7	NY	10021	NEW YORK	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
8	OH	43210	FRANKLIN	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
9	PA	19111	PHILADELPHIA	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
10	TX	77030	HARRIS	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
11	WA	98109	KING	PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Sta
12	CA	90089	LOS ANGELES	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
13	CA	91010	LOS ANGELES	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
14	FL	33136	DADE	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
15	FL	33612	HILLSBOROUGH	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
16	MA	02115	SUFFOLK	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
17	NY	14203	ERIE	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
18	NY	10021	NEW YORK	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for
19	OH	43210	FRANKLIN	PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for

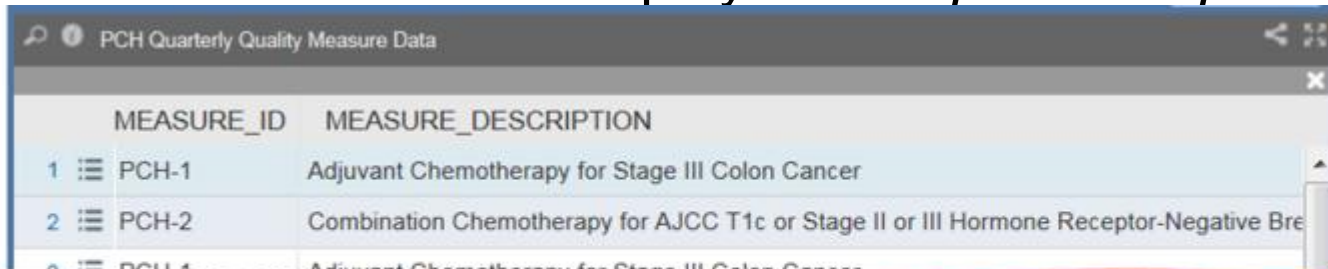
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**For PCHs, one of these two footnotes might display:**

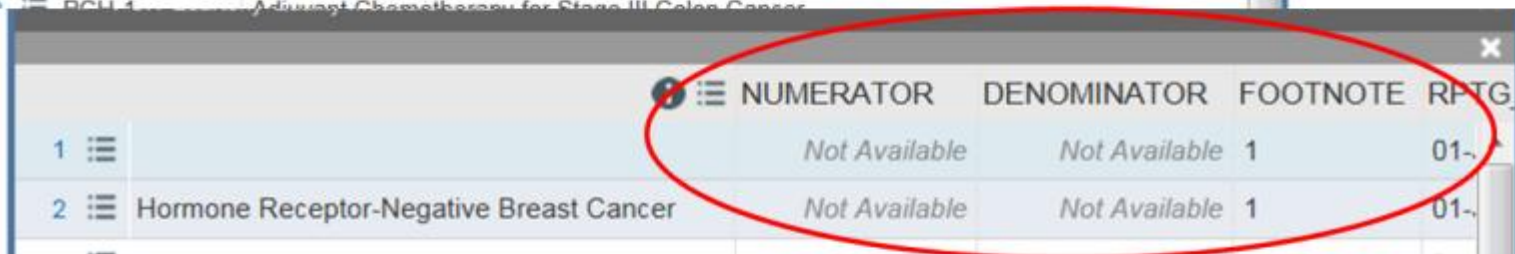
- **Footnote #1** The number of cases/patients is too few to report
  - Applied to any measure rate where the denominators are greater than 0 and less than 11
  - Data will not display on *Hospital Compare*
- **Footnote #5** Results are not available for this reporting period
  - Applied when a hospital either elected not to submit data, the hospital had no data to submit for a particular measure, or when a hospital elected to suppress a measure

# Footnote #1

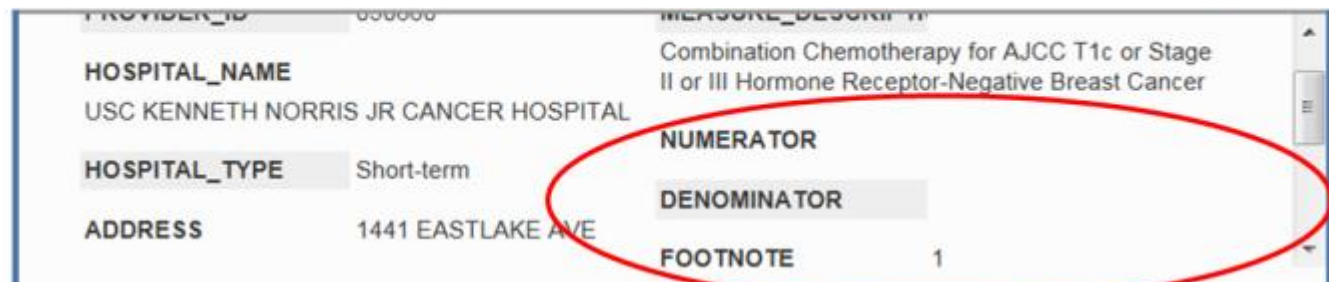
The number of cases/patients is too few to report. Applied to any measure rate where the denominators are greater than 0 and less than 11. Data will not display on *Hospital Compare*.



MEASURE_ID	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION
1 PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer
2 PCH-2	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor-Negative Bre
3 PCH-1	Adjuvant Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer



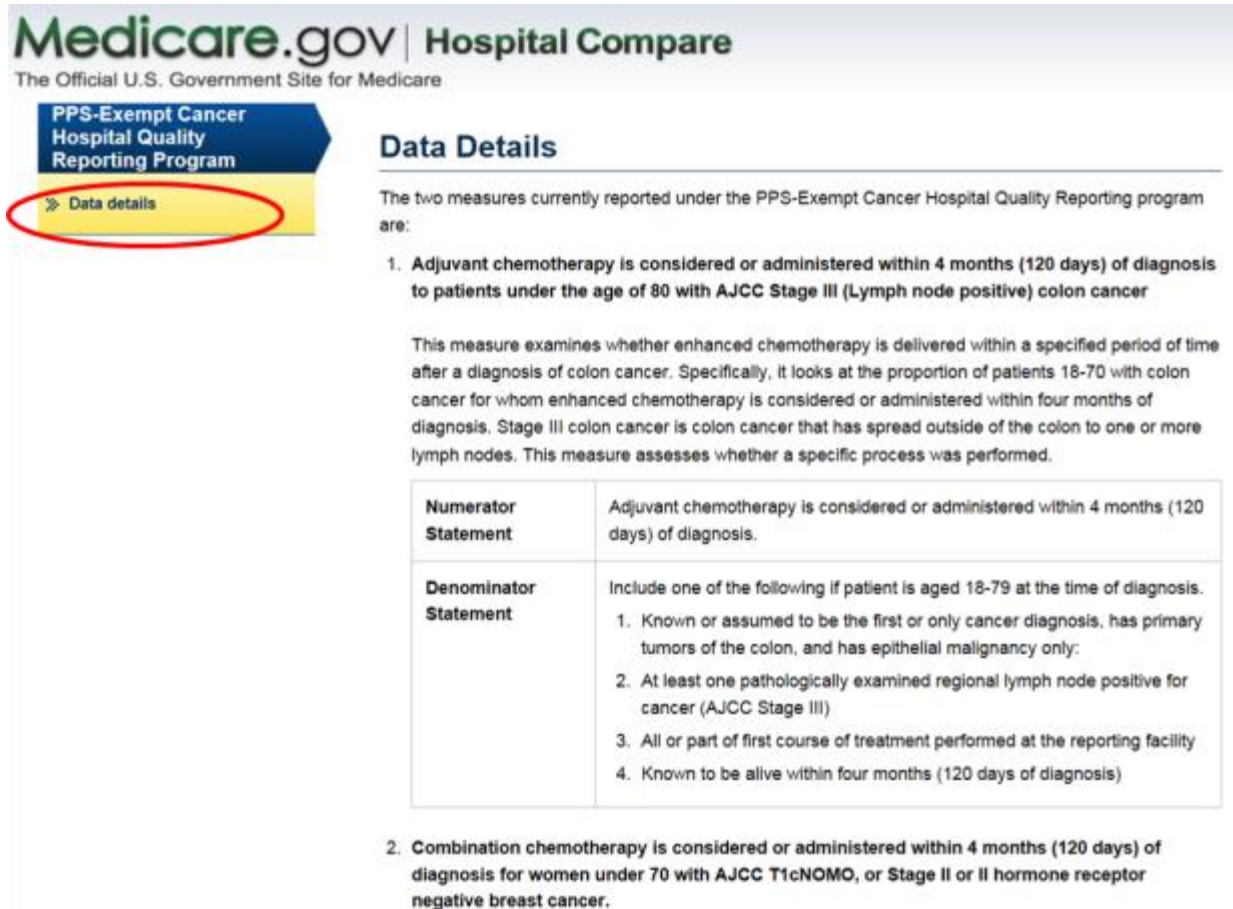
	NUMERATOR	DENOMINATOR	FOOTNOTE	RPTG
1	Not Available	Not Available	1	01-
2 Hormone Receptor-Negative Breast Cancer	Not Available	Not Available	1	01-



PROVIDER_ID	000000	MEASURE_DESCRIPTION	Combination Chemotherapy for AJCC T1c or Stage II or III Hormone Receptor-Negative Breast Cancer
HOSPITAL_NAME	USC KENNETH NORRIS JR CANCER HOSPITAL	NUMERATOR	
HOSPITAL_TYPE	Short-term	DENOMINATOR	
ADDRESS	1441 EASTLAKE AVE	FOOTNOTE	1

# More on Hospital Compare

Click on **Data Details** to see more specific information about the PCHQR measures displayed on Hospital Compare



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**PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting Program**

» **Data details**

### Data Details

The two measures currently reported under the PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting program are:

1. **Adjuvant chemotherapy is considered or administered within 4 months (120 days) of diagnosis to patients under the age of 80 with AJCC Stage III (Lymph node positive) colon cancer**

This measure examines whether enhanced chemotherapy is delivered within a specified period of time after a diagnosis of colon cancer. Specifically, it looks at the proportion of patients 18-70 with colon cancer for whom enhanced chemotherapy is considered or administered within four months of diagnosis. Stage III colon cancer is colon cancer that has spread outside of the colon to one or more lymph nodes. This measure assesses whether a specific process was performed.

<b>Numerator Statement</b>	Adjuvant chemotherapy is considered or administered within 4 months (120 days) of diagnosis.
<b>Denominator Statement</b>	Include one of the following if patient is aged 18-79 at the time of diagnosis. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Known or assumed to be the first or only cancer diagnosis, has primary tumors of the colon, and has epithelial malignancy only;</li><li>2. At least one pathologically examined regional lymph node positive for cancer (AJCC Stage III)</li><li>3. All or part of first course of treatment performed at the reporting facility</li><li>4. Known to be alive within four months (120 days of diagnosis)</li></ol>

2. **Combination chemotherapy is considered or administered within 4 months (120 days) of diagnosis for women under 70 with AJCC T1cNOMO, or Stage II or II hormone receptor negative breast cancer.**

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### Find a hospital

A field with an asterisk (\*) is required.

\* **Location**  
Example: 45802 or Lima, OH or Ohio

**Hospital Name (optional)**



# About Hospital Compare Data

- Measures displayed on Hospital Compare
- How measures are selected
- Data sources
- Current data collection periods
- Footnotes
  - Currently, for the PCHQR data, the **Footnotes** link is applicable. The other links will contain PCHQR entries as more data are displayed.

The screenshot shows the Medicare.gov Hospital Compare website. The page title is "Medicare.gov | Hospital Compare" with the subtitle "The Official U.S. Government Site for Medicare". The left sidebar contains a list of links: "About Hospital Compare", "About the data" (highlighted with a blue arrow), "About Hospital Compare data", "Measures displayed on Hospital Compare", "How measures are selected", "Data sources", "Current data collection periods", "Footnotes", "Downloading the data", "Timely and effective care measures", and "Measures of readmissions, complications, and deaths". The main content area is titled "About Hospital Compare data" and contains the following text:

Hospital Compare is part of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Hospital Quality Initiative. The Hospital Quality Initiative uses a variety of tools to help stimulate and support improvements in the quality of care delivered by hospitals. The intent is to help improve hospitals' quality of care by distributing objective, easy to understand data on hospital performance, and quality information from consumer perspectives.

This section provides information on the data sources and methodology for the quality measures posted on Hospital Compare.

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For general questions regarding Hospital Compare and the data, please e-mail [HospitalCompare@hsag.com](mailto:HospitalCompare@hsag.com).

If you are a hospital and have questions or concerns about your data, refer to the [Note to Hospitals](#).

# More on Footnotes

## Click on Footnotes

- Footnotes 1 or 5 may apply to your hospital data display and appear for PCH-01 and/or PCH-02

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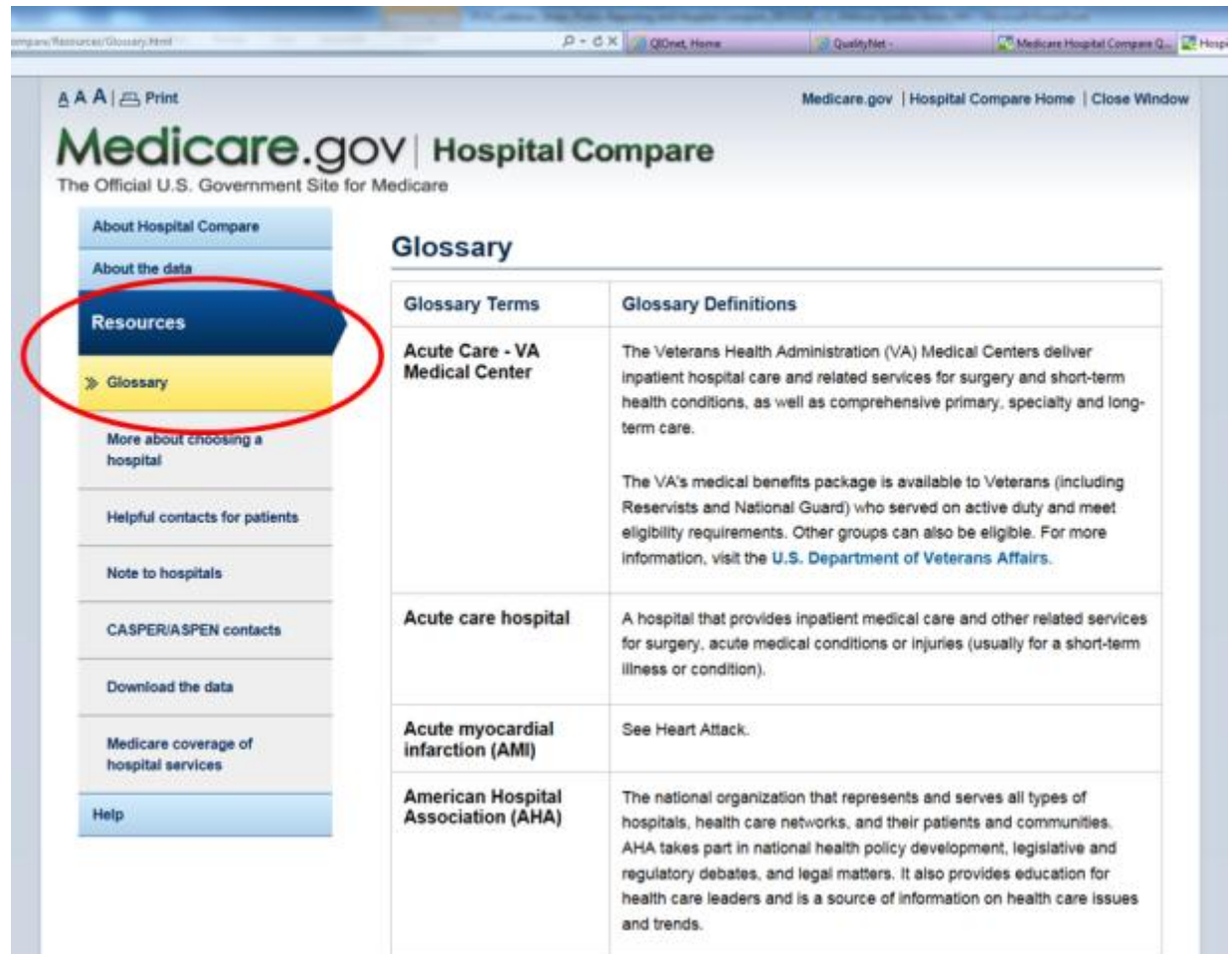
### Footnotes

Footnote number	Footnote as displayed on Hospital Compare	Footnote details
1	The number of cases/patients is too few to report.	This footnote is applied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When the number of cases/patients does not meet the required minimum amount for public reporting;</li><li>When the number of cases/patients is too small to reliably tell how well a hospital is performing; and/or</li><li>To protect personal health information.</li></ul>
2	Data submitted were based on a sample of cases/patients.	This footnote indicates that a hospital chose to submit data for a random sample of its cases/patients while following specific rules for how to select the patients.
3	Results are based on a shorter time period than required.	This footnote indicates that the hospital's results were based on data from less than the maximum possible time period generally used to collect data for a measure. View the <a href="#">Hospital Compare data collection periods</a> for more information.
4	Data suppressed by CMS for one or more quarters.	The results for these measures were excluded for various reasons, such as data inaccuracies.
5	Results are not available for this reporting period.	This footnote is applied when the hospital does not have data to report.
6	Fewer than 100 patients	This footnote is applied when the number of

# Resources

Scroll down to the *Resources* link.

- Glossary of terms used on the Hospital Compare website.



The screenshot shows the Medicare.gov Hospital Compare website. On the left, a vertical menu lists various links: 'About Hospital Compare', 'About the data', 'Resources' (highlighted with a red circle), 'Glossary', 'More about choosing a hospital', 'Helpful contacts for patients', 'Note to hospitals', 'CASPER/ASPEN contacts', 'Download the data', 'Medicare coverage of hospital services', and 'Help'. The 'Resources' link is circled in red. To the right, the 'Glossary' section is displayed, featuring a table with two columns: 'Glossary Terms' and 'Glossary Definitions'. The table lists several medical terms and their definitions, including 'Acute Care - VA Medical Center', 'Acute care hospital', 'Acute myocardial infarction (AMI)', and 'American Hospital Association (AHA)'.

Glossary Terms	Glossary Definitions
Acute Care - VA Medical Center	The Veterans Health Administration (VA) Medical Centers deliver inpatient hospital care and related services for surgery and short-term health conditions, as well as comprehensive primary, specialty and long-term care.  The VA's medical benefits package is available to Veterans (including Reservists and National Guard) who served on active duty and meet eligibility requirements. Other groups can also be eligible. For more information, visit the <a href="#">U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs</a> .
Acute care hospital	A hospital that provides inpatient medical care and other related services for surgery, acute medical conditions or injuries (usually for a short-term illness or condition).
Acute myocardial infarction (AMI)	See Heart Attack.
American Hospital Association (AHA)	The national organization that represents and serves all types of hospitals, health care networks, and their patients and communities. AHA takes part in national health policy development, legislative and regulatory debates, and legal matters. It also provides education for health care leaders and is a source of information on health care issues and trends.

# Points to Remember

- **PCHQR Public Reporting and Hospital Compare** allows the public to compare PCHs to make informed healthcare decisions regarding care settings.
- **PCHQR-specific measures currently displayed on Hospital Compare**
  - PCH-01 Adjuvant Chemotherapy (NQF #0223)
  - PCH-02 Combination Chemotherapy(NQF #0559)
- **Preview Periods and Preview Reports:**
  - 30 days to review Preview Reports
  - Preview Reports no longer available on QualityNet once Preview Period ends
    - Download or save Preview Reports for future reference
  - Data cannot be changed
    - Use data to track trends, plan a course of action, develop quality improvement targets

# More Points to Remember

- The data displayed on Hospital Compare is public.
  - You and anyone else, including patients and providers, can see your data and the data from other PCHs.
- Footnote #1: The number of cases/patients is too few to report.
  - Applied to any measure rate where the denominators are greater than 0 and less than 11. Data will display on the Preview Report but will **not** display on *Hospital Compare*.
- Use Public Reporting and Hospital Compare as another tool to identify opportunities for improvement.
  - Follow your trends and plan your course of action.
- As measures and associated publicly reported data information becomes available, we will let you know.
- Let us know if you have any questions.

# Questions?

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