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**Subject:** **REMINDER: Now Accepting Public Comments on the Draft 2022 CMS QRDA I Implementation Guide for Hospital Quality Reporting**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has posted the draft 2022 CMS Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) Category I Implementation Guide (IG) for Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) for public comment. The draft IG will be available for public comment starting on **March 3, 2021** and ending at 5 p.m. eastern time (ET) on **March 24, 2021**. The 2022 CMS QRDA I IG outlines requirements for eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals to report electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) for the calendar year 2022 reporting period. Visit the [QRDA Issue Tracker on the ONC Project Tracking System \(Jira\)](#) website to submit comments.

The 2022 CMS QRDA I IG uses the same base Health Level 7 (HL7) QRDA I standard as the 2021 CMS QRDA I IG: Quality Reporting Document Architecture Category I (QRDA I), Release 1, STU Release 5.2 with errata.

The draft 2022 CMS QRDA I IG contains the high-level change compared with the 2021 CMS QRDA I IG:

- Updates to Section 6 Hybrid Measure/CCDE Voluntary Submission for the 2022 voluntary reporting period

Information about submitting comments:

- Ticket number: [QRDA-971](#)
- You must have a JIRA account to submit a comment.
- We are accepting comments until 5:00 p.m. ET on March 24, 2021.

**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 2022 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](#).