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[Care Compare on Medicare.gov](#) reports information for over 4,000 Medicare-certified hospitals, including over 130 Veterans Administration (VA) Medical Centers and over 30 Department of Defense (DoD) military hospitals, across the country. The website provides information for patients and caregivers on hospital care delivery and encourages hospitals to improve the quality of their care by publicly displaying quality information.

Users can compare performance across many common conditions. The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating summarizes data from existing quality measures on Care Compare so users can easily compare hospitals. With the [Provider Data Catalog](#), users can explore and download hospital data, as well as data on ambulatory surgical centers, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and some cancer hospitals. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) updates data for hospitals on the Care Compare website quarterly, though not all data are updated each quarter.

Data Updates

On April 28, 2021, CMS updated data for hospitals on the [Care Compare](#) and [Provider Data Catalog](#) websites.

CMS updated data for the Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating and Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgery CAHPS (OAS CAHPS).

More Information and Compare Websites

For more information on Care Compare, please visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/>

For more information on the Provider Data Catalog, please visit: <https://data.cms.gov/provider-data/topics/hospitals>

For general questions regarding Hospital Public Reporting go to the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#).