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Preview Period: January 24 through February 22, 2024
Inpatient Public Reporting Preview Quick Reference Guide

Preview User Interface (UI) Access

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Preview data are available to participating inpatient facilities **January 24–February 22, 2024**, via the *Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) Secure Portal*.

Access Preview Data

1. Navigate to the HQR page: <https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login>
2. Enter your Health Care Quality Information Systems Access Roles and Profile User ID and Password. By logging in, you agree to the terms and conditions. Select **Log In**.
3. The **Two-Factor Authorization page appears**. Select **Text** or **Email**. Select **Next**.
4. Enter the code you received. Then, select **Next**.
5. On the **HQR landing** page, hover over **Lock Menu** on the left side.
6. Select **Program Reporting**.
7. From the drop-down menu, select **Public Reporting**.
8. The page will refresh, and the preview data will be available.

Note: Data that reflect services provided January 1, 2020–June 30, 2020 (Quarter (Q)1 and Q2 2020), are not used in calculations for Medicare quality reporting. For more information, please refer to this [notification](#).

Preview Content

Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating

The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating was updated for the July 2023 [Care Compare on Medicare.gov](#) release. Please see the [Help Guide](#) for details.

Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey

- Results reflect Q3 2022–Q2 2023 discharges.
- You can preview individual questions from the HCAHPS composite measures in the downloadable database in the Provider Data Catalog ([PDC](#)); they are not displayed on [Care Compare](#).
- HCAHPS scores based on fewer than 25 completed surveys will not appear on [Care Compare](#).

Timely and Effective Care Measures

- Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) displays 2022–2023 flu season data (Q4 2022–Q1 2023).
- COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP displays the most recent quarter (Q2 2023).
- SEP-1 and PC-01 measure results include Q3 2022–Q2 2023 data. (SEP-1 3-hour and 6-hour bundle data are included on [PDC](#).)
- Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQMs) for VTE-1, VTE-2, STK-02, STK-03, STK-05, STK-06, PC-05, ED-2, and Safe Use of Opioids display data submitted via electronic health records for calendar year 2022.

Structural Measure

The Maternal Morbidity Structural Measure displays Q1 2022–Q4 2022 provider responses.

Complication and Deaths

- The 30-Day Death Rate measure results reflect Q3 2019–Dec 1, 2019 and Q3 2020–Q2 2022. CMS Patient Safety Indicator measure updated results reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2022 discharges.
- Healthcare-associated Infection measure rates reflect Q3 2022–Q2 2023.
- Surgical complications rates reflect Q2 2019–Dec 1, 2019 and Q3 2020–Q1 2022 discharges.

Unplanned Hospital Visits

- Condition-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2019–Q4 2019 and Q3 2020–Q2 2022 discharges.
- Procedure-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2019–Dec 1, 2019 and Q3 2020–Q2 2022 discharges.
- Hospital-wide readmission rates reflect Q3 2021 and Q2 2022 discharges.
- Excess Days in Acute Care measure results reflect Q3 2019–Dec 1, 2019 and Q3 2020–Q2 2022 discharges.

Payment and Value of Care

- Acute myocardial infarction, heart failure, and pneumonia payment measure results reflect Q3 2019–Dec 1, 2019, and Q3 2020–Q2 2022 discharges.
- 90-day hip/knee payment measure results reflect Q2 2019–Oct 2, 2019, and Q3 2020–Q1 2022 discharges.
- Medicare Spending per Beneficiary measure performance scores display for Q1 2022–Q4 2022 discharges.