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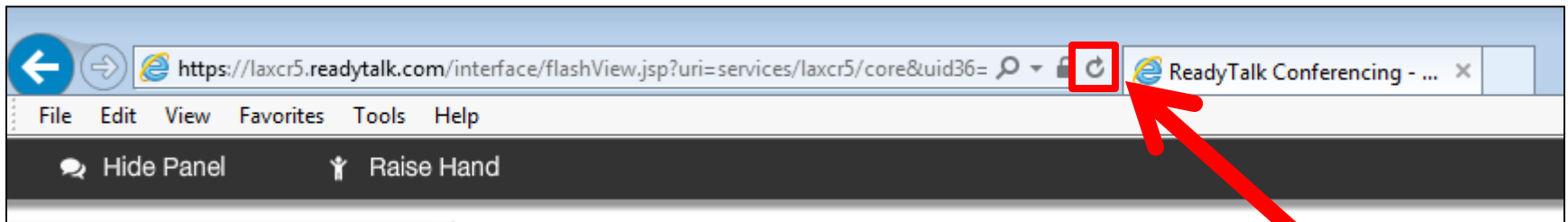
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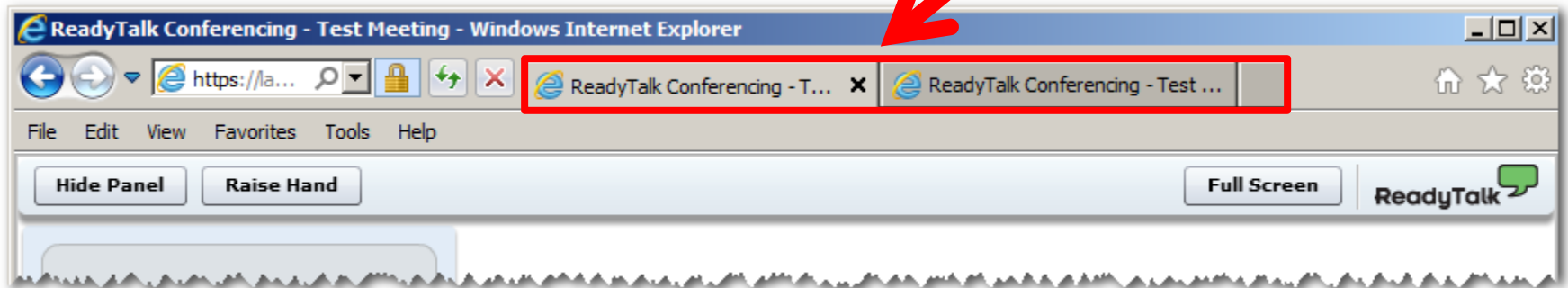


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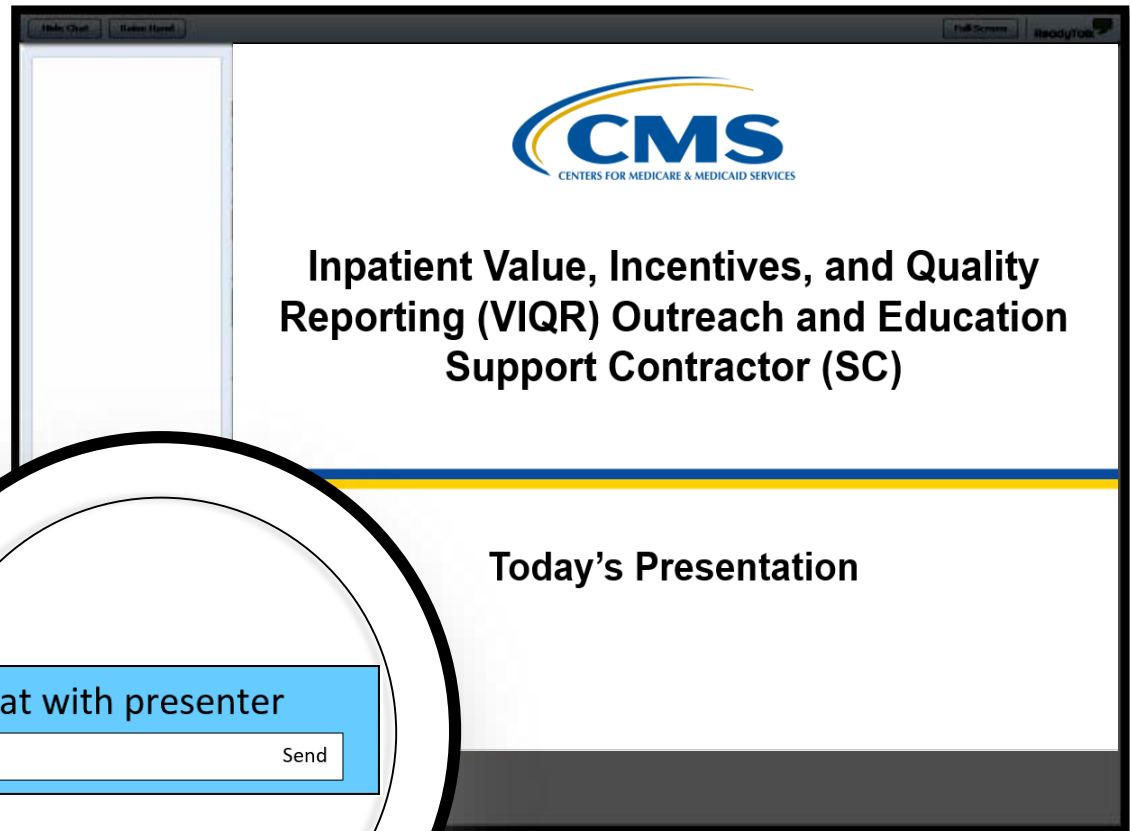
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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACS	American College of Surgeons	ICU	intensive care unit
CAUTI	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection	IPPS	Inpatient Prospective Payment System
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	LTCH	long-term care hospital
CDI	<i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection	MRSA	Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
CE	continuing education	NHSN	National Healthcare Safety Network
CLABSI	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	NQF	National Quality Forum
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	OCM	Oncology Care Measures
CST	Cancer-Specific Treatment	OP	outpatient
CY	calendar year	PCH	PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital
EBRT	External Beam Radiotherapy	PCHQR	PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting
ECE	Extraordinary Circumstances Exception	PPS	prospective payment system
ED	emergency department	Q	quarter
EOL	End of Life	SSI	Surgical Site Infection
FY	fiscal year	VIQR	Value, Incentives, and Quality Reporting
HAI	healthcare-associated infection	WBDCT	Web-Based Data Collection Tool
HCAHPS	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems		
HCP	healthcare personnel		

Purpose

This presentation will provide a practical overview of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS)/Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System (LTCH PPS) Final Rule, focusing on the its impact on PCHQR Program participants.

Objectives

Upon completion of this event, participants will be able to:

- Summarize operational changes in the FY 2020 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule.
- Access and use updated program resources available on *QualityNet* and *Quality Reporting Center*.

FY 2020 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule Publication

The FY 2020 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule was published in *Federal Register* on August 16, 2019.

- [FY 2020 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule](#)
- PCHQR Program section on pages 42509–42524

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Summary of Operational Changes

Major Sections of the Final Rule

1. Background
2. Refinement of the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey (NQF #0166): Removal of the Pain Management Questions*
3. Measure Retention and Removal Factors for the PCHQR Program
4. Removal of the Web-Based Structural Measure: External Beam Radiotherapy (EBRT) for Bone Metastases from the PCHQR Program Beginning with the FY 2022 Program Year
5. Adoption of New Quality Measure Beginning with the FY 2022 Program Year: Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer
6. Possible New Quality Measure Topics for Future Years
7. Maintenance of Technical Specifications for Quality Measures
8. Public Display Requirements
9. Form, Manner, and Timing of Data Submission
10. Extraordinary Circumstances Exceptions (ECE) Policy Under the PCHQR Program

*NQF = National Quality Forum

Removal of HCAHPS Pain Management Questions

- Removal of current pain management questions used in the PCHQR Program begins with October 1, 2019 discharges.
- Calendar Year (CY) 2020 is the targeted removal timeframe of these questions from *Hospital Compare* (due to planned website improvements).

Removal of EBRT Measure

- Removal is effective for treatment encounters beginning January 1, 2020.
- Data collection will not be required for CY 2020 (January 1, 2020–December 31, 2020) and forward.

Adoption of New Claims-Based Measure

Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer

Measure Name	PCH #	Measure Type	Data Collection Period for FY 2022
Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	PCH-37	Claims-Based Outcome	July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020

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Safety and Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI)

Short Name	PCH #	NQF #	Measure Name
CAUTI	PCH-5	#0138	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI) Outcome Measure
CLABSI	PCH-4	#0139	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) Outcome Measure
HCP	PCH-28	#0431	National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP)
Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy SSI	PCH-6 and PCH-7	#0753	American College of Surgeons-Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (ACS-CDC) Harmonized Procedure Specific Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Outcome Measure (currently includes SSIs following Colon Surgery and Abdominal Hysterectomy)
MRSA	PCH-27	#1716	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA) Bacteremia Outcome Measure
CDI	PCH-26	#1717	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset <i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection (CDI) Outcome Measure

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Clinical Process/Oncology Care Measures

Short Name	PCH #	NQF #	Measure Name
N/A	PCH-15	#0383	Oncology: Plan of Care for Pain – Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology
EOL-Chemo	PCH-32	#0210	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Receiving Chemotherapy in the Last 14 Days of Life
EOL-Hospice	PCH-34	#0215	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Not Admitted to Hospice

Intermediate Clinical Outcome Measures

EOL-ICU	PCH-33	#0213	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in the Last 30 Days of Life
EOL-3DH	PCH-35	#0216	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Admitted to Hospice for Less Than Three Days

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Patient Engagement/Experience of Care

Short Name	PCH #	NQF #	Measure Name
HCAHPS	PCH-29	#0166	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems

Claims-Based Outcome Measures

OP Chemo	PCH-30 and PCH-31	N/A	Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy
N/A	PCH-36	#3188	30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients
N/A	PCH-37	N/A	Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer*

*Measure finalized for adoption for the FY 2022 program year and subsequent years.

Finalized Public Display Requirements

Measures	PCH #	NQF #	Public Reporting
HCAHPS Survey*	PCH-29	#0166	2016 and subsequent years
Oncology: Plan of Care for Pain – Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology	PCH-15	#0383	2016 and subsequent years
EBRT**	N/A	N/A	2017 and subsequent years
SSI - Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy	PCH-6 and PCH-7	#0753	As soon as feasible
MRSA	PCH-27	#1716	As soon as feasible
CDI	PCH-26	#1717	As soon as feasible
HCP	PCH-28	#0431	As soon as feasible
OP Chemo	PCH-30 and PCH-31	N/A	As soon as feasible
CAUTI	PCH-5	#0138	Deferred until CY 2022
CLABSI	PCH-4	#0139	Deferred until CY 2022

*Publicly reported data will not include responses to Pain Management questions, beginning with October 2018 discharges.

**Measure is finalized for removal, beginning with FY 2022 program year.

Practical Applications to Public Reporting of PCHQR Program Data

- HCAHPS Survey Data
 - Publicly reported quarterly
- HAI measures
 - CAUTI and CLABSI
 - Public reporting deferred
 - MRSA, CDI, SSI-colon and abdominal hysterectomy
 - First publicly reported in October 2019, then quarterly
 - HCP
 - First publicly reported in October 2019, then annually
- OP Chemo (PCH-30 and PCH-31)
 - First public display as soon as practicable

Schedule for Public Reporting

<i>Hospital Compare Release</i>	Measures	Quarters Displayed
October 2019	PCH-3	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2017
	PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-27	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2018
	PCH-28	Q4 2018 and Q1 2019
	PCH-29	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2018
January 2020	PCH-14, PCH-15, PCH-16, PCH-17, PCH-18, and PCH-25	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 2018
	PCH-29	Q2, Q3, Q4 2018 and Q1 2019
	PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, PCH-27	Q2, Q3, Q4 2018 and Q1 2019

Form, Manner, and Timing of Data Submission

Confidential national reporting for certain existing PCHQR Program measures

NQF #	PCH #	Measure Name	Data Collection Period
#0210	PCH-32	EOL-Chemo	July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020
#0213	PCH-33	EOL-ICU	July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020
#0215	PCH-34	EOL-Hospice	July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020
#0216	PCH-35	EOL-3DH	July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020
#3188	PCH-36	30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients	October 1, 2019–September 30, 2020

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The Prospective Payment System (PPS)-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) Program was developed as mandated by Section 3005 of the Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148).

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The PCHQR program is intended to equip consumers with quality-of-care information to make more informed decisions about healthcare options. It is also intended to encourage hospitals and clinicians to improve the quality of inpatient care that is provided to Medicare beneficiaries. A major part of the program supports improvement by ensuring that providers are aware of and reporting on best practices for their respective facilities and type of care.

To meet the PCHQR Program requirements, PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals (PCHs) are required to submit specific quality measures related to the PCHQR Program to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Mandated reporting began with the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 payment determination year. Participating facilities must comply with the program requirements set forth in the [FY 2013 IPPS/LTCH Final Rule](#), including public reporting of the measure rates on *Hospital Compare*.

Key Documents

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CMS has designated 11 hospitals as PPS-Exempt (Medicare PPS-Excluded Cancer Hospitals). [Learn more about PCHQR Program eligibility.](#)

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Information regarding the PCHQR Program can be found in the following Final Rule (FR) publications:

File Name	File Type	File Size
FY 2020 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule (84 FR 42509 through 42524) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adoption of one new claims-based outcome measure, Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer, beginning with the FY 2022 program year.• Removal of the clinical effectiveness measure (EBRT), beginning with the FY 2022 program year (patient encounters occurring as of January 1, 2020).• Refinement of the HCAHPS survey by removing the pain management questions beginning with October 1, 2019 discharges.• Begin publicly reporting the Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy as soon as feasible.• Begin publicly reporting HAI measure data for MRSA, CDI, SSI-colon and abdominal hysterectomy, and HCP as soon as feasible.• Conduct confidential national reporting for the EOL (NQF #0210, #0213, #0215, and #0216) and 30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients (NQF #3188) measures.	PDF	Download

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Learn more about data collection, data submission, and data validation.

Data Collection

PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Data Collection

The PCHQR program is comprised of multiple types of measures that are collected using a variety of tested data collection instruments.

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Data Submission

PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Data Submission

PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals (PCHs) participating in the PCHQR Program must submit required data via each measure's acceptable methods of transmission.

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Table 2: Clinical Process/Oncology Care Measures (OCM)

NQF #	PCH #	Measure Name	Specifications Manual & Measure Information Forms	Data Collection Tool	Acceptable Method of Transmission
0383	PCH-15	Oncology: Plan of care for moderate to severe pain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 Plan of care for moderate to severe pain measure information form • 2019 Plan of care for moderate to severe pain algorithm (clean version) • 2019 Plan of care for moderate to severe pain (population and sampling version) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 Plan of care for moderate to severe pain paper abstraction tool 	Web-based data entry via QualityNet Secure Portal

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Table 4: Clinical Effectiveness Measure

NQF #	PCH #	Measure Name	Specifications Manual & Measure Information Forms	Data Collection Tool	Acceptable Method of Transmission
N/A	PCH-25	External beam radiotherapy for bone metastases (EBRT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 EBRT measure information form • 2019 EBRT algorithm (clean version) • 2019 EBRT algorithm (population and sampling version) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 EBRT paper abstraction tool 	Web-based data entry via QualityNet Secure Portal

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Table 6: Claims-Based Outcome Measure

NQF #	PCH #	Measure Name	Specifications Manual & Measure Information Forms	Data Collection Tool	Acceptable Method of Transmission
N/A	PCH-30 and PCH-31	Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy	2017 Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy measure information form	None. (This is a claims-based measure.)	This data will be submitted by CMS contractor on behalf of the PCH.
3188	N/A	30-day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients	Measure information form under development	None. (This is a claims-based measure.)	This data will be submitted by CMS contractor on behalf of the PCH.
N/A	N/A	Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	Measure information form under development	None. (This is a claims-based measure.)	This data will be submitted by CMS contractor on behalf of the PCH.

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Measure Crosswalk (09/2019)	PDF	71 KB	Download
PCHQR Measure to Public Reporting Period Relationship Matrix (10/2019)	PDF	193 KB	Download
PCHQR Program Web-Based Data Collection Tool Guideline by Due Date (09/2019)	PDF	471 KB	Download

Measure Submission Deadlines by Due Date

Due Date	CLABSI/CAUTI/SSI/MRSA/CDI*	HCP Flu Vac*	HCAHPS	OCM†‡ (PCH-15 only)	EBRT†‡	DACA
09/03/2019	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	For FY 2020
10/02/2019	N/A	N/A	Q2 2019 (4/1–6/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/18/2019	Q2 2019 (4/1–6/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
01/02/2020	N/A	N/A	Q3 2019 (7/1–9/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A
02/18/2020	Q3 2019 (7/1–9/30)	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A
04/01/2020	N/A	N/A	Q4 2019 (7/1–9/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/18/2020	Q4 2019 (7/1–9/30)	Q4 2019–Q1 2020 (10/1/19–03/31/19)		N/A	N/A	N/A
07/01/2020	N/A	N/A	Q1 2020 (1/1–3/31)	N/A	N/A	N/A
08/17/2020	Q1 2020 (1/1–3/31)	N/A	N/A	CY 2019 (1/1–12/31)	CY 2019 (1/1–12/31)	N/A
08/31/2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	For FY 2021
10/07/2020	N/A	N/A	Q2 2020 (4/1–6/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/16/2020	Q2 2020 (4/1–6/30)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

* Data submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention via the National Healthcare Safety Network

† Submitted to CMS via the *QualityNet Secure Portal* at www.QualityNet.org

‡ Annual submission, stratified by quarter

Measure Crosswalk by Measure Type for Program/Fiscal Year 2016–2022

NQF#	PCH#	Measures Grouped by Measure Topic	Program Year						FY 2022
			FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	
Clinical Effectiveness Measure									
N/A	PCH-25 ^{UP}	External Beam Radiotherapy (EBRT) for Bone Metastases	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
NQF#	PCH#	Measures Grouped by Measure Topic	Program Year						FY 2022
			FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	
Claims-Based Outcome Measures									
N/A	PCH-30 ¹ PCH-31 ¹	Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓
3188	N/A	30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓
N/A	N/A	Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓

Relationship Matrix of Program Measures by Years and Quarters

Cancer-Specific Treatment	Program (Fiscal) Years	Reporting Periods–Calendar Year Quarters	Quarterly Data Submission Deadlines	Hospital Compare Release December 2016	Hospital Compare Release April 2017	Hospital Compare Release July 2017	Hospital Compare Release October 2017	Hospital Compare Release December 2017	Hospital Compare Release April 2018	Hospital Compare Release July 2018	Hospital Compare Release October 2018	Hospital Compare Release February 2019	Hospital Compare Release April 2019	Hospital Compare Release July 2019	Hospital Compare Release October 2019	
Adjuvant Hormonal Therapy NQF #0220 (PCH-3)	2014	1Q 2013	PRIOR													
		2Q 2013	PRIOR													
		3Q 2013	PRIOR													
		4Q 2013	PRIOR													
	2015	1Q 2014	PRIOR													
		2Q 2014	PRIOR													
		3Q 2014	PRIOR	2Q 2014–1Q 2015												
		4Q 2014	PRIOR		3Q 2014–2Q 2015											
	2016	1Q 2015	PRIOR													
		2Q 2015	PRIOR													
		3Q 2015	PRIOR			4Q 2014–3Q 2015										
		4Q 2015	PRIOR				1Q 2015–4Q 2015		2Q 2015–1Q 2016							
	2017	1Q 2016	PRIOR													
		2Q 2016	PRIOR													
		3Q 2016	PRIOR							3Q 2015–2Q 2016						
		4Q 2016	PRIOR								4Q 2015–3Q 2016		1Q 2016–4Q 2016			
	2018	1Q 2017	PRIOR													
		2Q 2017	PRIOR													
		3Q 2017	PRIOR													
		4Q 2017	PRIOR													1Q 2017–4Q 2017

WBDCT Guideline by Due Date

PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) Program Web-Based Data Collection Tool Guideline by Due Date

Due Date	Measure	Fiscal Year	Time Period
08/17/2020	OCM and EBRT (PCH-15 and EBRT)	2021	CY 2019 (01/01/19–12/31/19)
08/16/2021	OCM (PCH-15)	2022	CY 2020 (01/01/20–12/31/20)
08/15/2022	OCM (PCH-15)	2023	CY 2021 (01/01/21–12/31/21)

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Key Dates and Reminders

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

- **Event – Save the Date (Tentative)**
 - Thursday, December 19, 2019
- **Data Submission Deadline**
 - Monday, November 18, 2019
 - Q2 2019 HAI data due

Hospital Compare

- **October 2019 Refresh**

- 1Q 2017 through 4Q 2017 Cancer-Specific Treatment (CST) hormone data
- 1Q 2018 through 4Q 2018 HCAHPS Survey data
- 1Q 2018 through 4Q 2018 HAI data
 - CDI, MRSA, SSI – Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy
- 4Q 2018 through 1Q 2019 HCP


- **January 2020 Refresh**

- 2Q 2018 through 1Q 2019 HCAHPS Survey data
- 2Q 2018 through 1Q 2019 HAI data
- 1Q 2018 through 4Q 2018 OCM data
- 1Q 2018 through 4Q 2018 EBRT data

Note: CMS is working to make the OP Chemo measure data publicly available as soon as practicable.

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Accessing the *QualityNet* Questions and Answers Tool (continued)

The screenshot shows the CMS.gov QualityNet website. At the top left, the logo reads "CMS.gov | QualityNet". Below this, there are navigation links: "Quality Q&A Tool", "Ask a Question", and "Browse Program Articles" with a dropdown arrow. On the top right, there is a link for "How to Use this Tool". The main header area is blue and contains the title "Quality Question and Answer Tool" and the subtitle "Your one-stop shop for CMS Quality Answers". Below the header is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search for the answer to your question" and a search icon. On the right side of the search bar, there is a vertical "Site Feedback" button. Below the search bar, there are two main action buttons: "Browse" with a document icon and the text "View existing articles", and "Ask a Question" with a question mark icon and the text "Submit a Question to CMS". The "Ask a Question" button is highlighted with a red rectangular border. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer note: "For the best experience, please use one of the following browsers: Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Microsoft Edge. Mobile devices are not currently supported."

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