



## **Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program**

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#### **IPFQR Program: Specifications Manual Addenda**

#### **Presentation Transcript**

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Welcome to the presentation titled *IPFQR Program: Specifications Manual Addenda*. My name is Evette Robinson. I am the IPFQR Program Lead for the Inpatient Values, Incentives, and Quality Reporting, or VIQR, Support Contractor, and I will be the presenter for this event. At the end of this presentation, you will have the opportunity to complete a survey. We ask that you complete the survey as we value your feedback regarding what works well, as well as any areas for improvement in future presentations.

The purpose of today's webinar is to provide an overview of the recently published addenda for the *Specifications Manual for National Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Measures*, also known as the IPF Specifications Manual.

By the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to leverage the IPF Specifications Manual to meet mandatory patient-level reporting requirements for fiscal year 2024 and fiscal year 2025 payment determination.

Let's begin with an overview of the IPF Specifications Manual.

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The IPF Specifications Manual and the associated Release Notes document are available in a downloadable format, and they are searchable by keywords to help readers access pertinent information easily. The manual can be downloaded from the QualityNet website by clicking on the first link on this slide. There is also a link on the Quality Reporting Center website that will lead to the same web page on QualityNet.

The images on this slide show how the IPF Specifications Manual Addenda are displayed on QualityNet. In addition to displaying a ZIP folder of the complete manual and a separate PDF file of the Release Notes, the QualityNet IPF Specifications Manual web page layout includes links to the manual by section for both addenda of the IPF Specifications Manual, Versions 1.0b and 1.1a.

To learn more about the information that was added, changed, and removed in the IPF Specifications Manual Addenda relative to the previous version, review the Release Notes, Versions 1.0b, 1.1a, and 1.1b documents, which are available for download in the Complete Manual Table of the QualityNet IPF Specifications Manual web page.

Now, let's review key updates to the IPF Specifications Manual, V1.0b.

The IPF Specifications Manual is intended for use as a reference to facilitate successful patient-level reporting of measure data and facility-level data to CMS for the IPFQR Program. The effective date for the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.0b, is January 1, 2022. The reporting period is calendar year 2022 discharges and events for all measure and non-measure data, except the IMM-2 measure, which will be collected from October 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023, and quarterly reporting of the COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Health Care Personnel, or COVID HCP, measure data collected during calendar year 2022. This means that IPFs and vendors will reference this version of the specifications manual to find IPFQR Program details pertinent to patient-level and facility-level data that will be reported to CMS during the 2023 summer data submission period, except for the COVID HCP measure, which again, is reported on a quarterly basis.

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The specifications described in this version of the manual will impact the fiscal year 2024 annual payment update, or APU. The IPF Specifications Manual is comprised of one main document and two XML file layouts pertinent to patient-level reporting of IPFQR Program measures and facility-level reporting of the HBIPS-2 and HBIPS-3 denominator value and non-measure data.

In Section 1 and throughout the manual, references to the Timely Transmission of Transition Record, or TR-2, measure and its data elements were removed. Additionally, the following data elements were added to account for collection of discharge data by payer for the non-measure data in the IPF Facility-Level XML file: *Payer – Medicare* and *Payer – Non-Medicare*.

Information about how data will be publicly reported for the Screening for Metabolic Disorders measure was updated. The image on this slide displays the text, which was corrected to indicate that patient-level data will be aggregated into rates at the facility, state, and national levels.

References to the TR-2 measure were removed from Section 4: Population and Sampling Specifications.

An update throughout Section 5 is that the IPF Facility-Level Data XML file layout replaced the Non-Measure Data XML file layout. This XML file layout includes data elements for the reporting of both non-measure data and the denominator value for the Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services, or HBIPS, -2 and HBIPS-3 measures.

Additionally, this section includes details regarding IPF unit-specific CMS Certification Numbers, or CCNs, in the Provider section of the XML files. Also, there are updates in the IPF Clinical Data and the IPF Facility-Level XML File Layouts that pertain to the IPF unit-specific CCNs and removal of TR-2 measure data elements, which are described in more detail in the Release Notes.

Reference to the Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness measure was removed from Section 6.

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As a reminder, CMS replaced this claims-based measure with the Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization measure, per the Fiscal Year 2022 Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System Final Rule.

This is a list of the appendices of the IPF Specifications Manual.

A notable update to Appendix F: Resources is the new name and email address for what was formerly referred to as the QualityNet Help Desk and QualityNet Service Center. You can contact the CCSQ Service Center for technical issues that you encounter with the QualityNet web pages and the *HQR Secure Portal* at [QNETSupport@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:QNETSupport@cms.hhs.gov). The phone number and hours of operation remain the same, as indicated on this slide.

Listed on this slide are the sections of the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.0b, in which there were no changes.

Now, let's review key updates to the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.1a

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In Section 1, the *Payer – Medicare* and *Payer – Non-Medicare* data elements were added to account for collection of discharge data by payer for the non-measure data in the IPF Facility-Level XML file.

A notable update to Section 5 is that the IPF Facility-Level Data XML file layout replaced the Non-Measure Data XML file. This XML file layout includes data elements for the reporting of both non-measure data and the denominator value for the HBIPS-2 and HBIPS-3 measures.

Section 5 also includes details regarding IPF unit-specific CCNs in the Provider section of the XML files. There are updates to the IPF Clinical Data and the IPF Facility-Level XML File Layouts pertaining to the IPF unit-specific CCNs and the removal of TR-2 measure data elements.

Reference to the Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness measure was removed from Section 6.

This is a list of the appendices of the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.1a.

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The final set of key updates that will be reviewed in this presentation pertain to the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.1b.

The IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.1b, is identical to Version 1.1a with respect to effective date, reporting period, submission, payment determination, and composition.

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We advise you to refer to Version 1.1b with respect to calendar year 2023 discharges because it includes an important update, which will be highlighted in the next two slides.

CMS approved the following verbiage for clarification and to reduce burden during the abstraction process regarding the identification of the Initial Patient Population for the Screening for Metabolic Disorders measure: The Initial Patient Population is all patients discharged from an IPF during the measurement period. This verbiage is found in Section 2: Measurement Information under the sub-header Screening for Metabolic Disorders (SMD) Initial Patient Population.

Specifications for the identification of the Initial Patient Population for the Screening for Metabolic Disorders measure was also updated in Section 4 of the manual.

Listed on this slide are the sections of the IPF Specifications Manual, Version 1.1b, in which there were no changes.

Now, let's review some helpful resources.

This slide displays a list of the acronyms that were referenced during this presentation.

CMS recommends that IPFs refer to the latest versions of IPFQR Program resources for information pertaining to the IPFQR Program. Various documents, including the IPF Specifications Manual, IPFQR Program Guide, and optional paper tools are available for download from the QualityNet and Quality Reporting Center websites, which can be accessed by clicking on the icons on this slide. The IPFQR Program Guide is a great place to start, as it provides an overview of requirements, program measures, and various tools pertinent to the IPFQR Program.

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This concludes the webinar titled *IPFQR Program: Specifications Manual Addenda*. Thank you for your time and attention. Have a great day!