



# **PCHQR Program: End-of-Year Review and Look Ahead**

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# Acronyms and Abbreviations

<b>ACS</b>	American College of Surgeons	<b>HCP</b>	healthcare personnel
<b>CAUTI</b>	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection	<b>HQR</b>	Hospital Quality Reporting
<b>CDC</b>	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	<b>ICU</b>	intensive care unit
<b>CDI</b>	<i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection	<b>IPPS</b>	Inpatient Prospective Payment System
<b>CLABSI</b>	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	<b>LTCH</b>	long-term care hospital
<b>CMS</b>	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	<b>MFT</b>	Managed File Transfer
<b>CSV</b>	Comma Separated Value	<b>MRSA</b>	Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
<b>CY</b>	calendar year	<b>NHSN</b>	National Healthcare Safety Network
<b>DACA</b>	Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement	<b>OP</b>	outpatient
<b>ED</b>	emergency department	<b>PCH</b>	PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital
<b>EOL</b>	End of Life	<b>PDC</b>	Provider Data Catalog
<b>FR</b>	Federal Register	<b>PCHQR</b>	PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting
<b>FSR</b>	Facility-Specific Report	<b>PPS</b>	prospective payment system
<b>FY</b>	fiscal year	<b>Q</b>	Quarter
<b>HAI</b>	healthcare-associated infection	<b>SSI</b>	Surgical Site Infection
<b>HCAHPS</b>	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems	<b>VIQR</b>	Value, Incentives, and Quality Reporting

# Purpose

This presentation will provide a recap of this year's PCHQR Program key events and updates and provide insight into upcoming key events for calendar year (CY) 2023.

# Objectives

Participants will be able to recall this year's significant program events and changes and summarize upcoming events.

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## **CY 2022 Recap**

# Publication of the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS)/Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System (LTCH PPS) [Final Rule](#) (87 FR 49311-49314) finalized the following changes :

- Begin public display of the 30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients (PCH-36) measure with FY 2024 program year data and the four End of Life (EOL) measures (PCH-32, PCH-33, PCH-34, and PCH-35) with FY 2025 program year data
- Adoption and codification of a patient safety exception into the measure removal policy
- Acknowledgement of comments received from stakeholders on the request for information in the proposed rule regarding the potential future adoption of two digital National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) measures:
  - NHSN Healthcare-associated *Clostridioides difficile* Infection Outcome measure
  - NHSN Hospital-Onset Bacteremia & Fungemia Outcome measure

# Public Reporting

Measures	PCH #	Public Reporting
HCAHPS Survey	PCH-29	2016 and subsequent years
Oncology: Plan of Care for Moderate to Severe Pain	PCH-15	
SSI-Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy	PCH-6 and PCH-7	2019 and subsequent years
MRSA	PCH-27	
CDI	PCH-26	
HCP	PCH-28	
OP Chemotherapy	PCH-30 and PCH-31	April 2020 and subsequent years
CAUTI	PCH-5	October 2022 and subsequent years
CLABSI	PCH-4	
30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients	PCH-36	October 2023 and subsequent years
EOL	PCH-32, PCH-33, PCH-34, PCH-35	July 2024 and subsequent years



# Finalized FY 2024 PCHQR Program Measure Set

## Safety and Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI)

Short Name	PCH #	Measure Name
CAUTI	PCH-5	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI) Outcome Measure
CLABSI	PCH-4	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) Outcome Measure
HCP	PCH-28	National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP)
SSI-Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy	PCH-6 and PCH-7	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	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA) Bacteremia Outcome Measure
CDI	PCH-26	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset <i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection (CDI) Outcome Measure
COVID-19 HCP Vaccination	PCH-38	COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP

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## Clinical Process/Oncology Care Measures

Short Name	PCH #	Measure Name
EOL-Chemo	PCH-32	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Receiving Chemotherapy in the Last 14 Days of Life
EOL-Hospice	PCH-34	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Not Admitted to Hospice

## Intermediate Clinical Outcome Measures

EOL-ICU	PCH-33	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	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 #	Measure Name
HCAHPS	PCH-29	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems

## Claims-Based Outcome Measures

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

# Confidential National Reports

For more information, visit the QualityNet PCHQR Program [Measures](#) page.

PCH #	Measure Name	Data Collection Period
PCH-32	EOL-Chemo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FY 2022 : July 1, 2019–December 31, 2019*</li> <li>FY 2023: January 1, 2021–June 30, 2021 (Facility-Specific Reports (FSRs) were distributed September 9, 2022.)</li> </ul>
PCH-33	EOL-ICU	
PCH-34	EOL-Hospice	
PCH-35	EOL-3DH	
PCH-36	30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients	FY 2023: October 1, 2020–September 30, 2021 (FSRs were distributed July 29, 2022.)
PCH-37	Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	FY 2023: July 1, 2019–December 31, 2019* (FSRs were distributed July 29, 2022.)

\*The measure’s performance period was amended to exclude encounters occurring during January through June 2020 from measure calculation in accordance with [CMS’ COVID-19 Data Waiver](#).

# Admissions and ED Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy

- FY 2023 FSRs were distributed May 16, 2022.
  - Data collection period: July 1, 2020–June 30, 2021
- Information is available on [QualityNet](#):
  - PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals > [Measures](#) > Chemotherapy Measure > [Learn more](#)

# First Public Display of PCHQR Program Measures

Provider Data Catalog (PDC) release occurred on October 26, 2022:

- CAUTI and CLABSI: Q1 2021–Q4 2021
- COVID-19 HCP Vaccination: Q4 2021

# New Way to Access FSRs

On [October 7, 2022](#), and [November 1, 2022](#), CMS announced that, effective November 8, 2022, the claims-based measure FSRs moved from the Managed File Transfer (MFT) system to the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) System.

- FSRs will only be available via MFT by request.
- Download from the Claims-based Measure page of the HQR System.
- Instructional video is available [here](#).

# PCHQR Facility Report

On [November 10, 2022](#), CMS announced that COVID-19 HCP Vaccination data are now available to view on the PCHQR Facility Report in the HQR System.

- CSV format
- Begins with FY 2023 (CY 2021) data



# Updated PCHQR Program Web Pages

## QualityNet:

- [Overview](#)
- [PCHQR Measures](#)
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- [Data Collection](#)

## Quality Reporting Center:

- [Overview](#)
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# Updated PCHQR Program Resources

- 2022 Program Manual (Fall update)
- Measure Submission Deadlines by Due Date
- Relationship Matrix
- Measure Crosswalk

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**Looking Ahead to CY 2023**

# *What's Next?*

## **PCHQR Program Measures**

- Quarterly submissions
  - HAI measure data
  - HCAHPS Survey data
  - COVID-19 HCP Vaccination measure data
- Annual submissions
  - Influenza HCP measure data
  - Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement (DACA)

# *What's Next?*

## **PCHQR Program Claims-Based Measures**

### Anticipated FY 2024 FSR Distribution

- Spring 2023
  - OP Chemotherapy measure (PCH-30 and PCH-31)
  - Prostate Cancer measure (PCH-37)\*
  - EOL measures (PCH-32, PCH-33, PCH-34, and PCH-35)\*
- Fall 2023
  - Cancer Readmissions measure (PCH-36)

\* Confidential FSRs

# *What's Next?*

## Public Reporting

- Admissions and Emergency Department Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy (PCH-30 and PCH-31) Measure
  - FY 2024 measure results will be publicly refreshed in July 2023.
  - Data collection period: July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022
  - FSRs will be distributed in Spring 2023.
- PCH-36 will be publicly reported for the first time in October 2023.

# *What's Next?*

## Public Reporting

- HCAHPS Survey data will continue to be publicly refreshed quarterly.
- HAI measures will continue to be publicly refreshed as follows:
  - Quarterly: CAUTI, CLABSI, SSI, MRSA, CDI, and COVID-19 HCP
  - Annually: Influenza HCP
- PCH-15 measure data will be refreshed for the last time in January 2023.
  - Data will be removed from the PDC in January 2024.

# Schedule for Public Reporting

PDC Release	Measures	Quarters Displayed
January 2023	PCH-29	Q2, Q3, Q4 2021 and Q1 2022
	PCH-4, PCH-5, PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-27	Q2, Q3, Q4 2021 and Q1 2022
	PCH-38	Q1 2022
	PCH-15	Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4 2021
April 2023	PCH-29	Q3, Q4 2021 and Q1 and Q2 2022
	PCH-4, PCH-5, PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-2	Q3, Q4 2021 and Q1 and Q2 2022
	PCH-38	Q2 2022



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## **Key Dates and Reminders**


# Upcoming Data Submission Deadlines

- January 4, 2023
  - Q3 2022 HCAHPS Survey data
- February 15, 2023
  - Q3 2022 HAI measure data
    - CAUTI, CLABSI, CDI, MRSA, and SSI-colon and abdominal hysterectomy
    - COVID-19 HCP Vaccination measure data

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