

# October 2019 *Hospital Compare* Release

## Preview Period: July 16 through August 14, 2019

### Inpatient *Hospital Compare* Preview Quick Reference Guide

#### Preview User Interface (UI) Access

##### Preview Period

Preview data will be available to participating inpatient facilities via the *QualityNet Secure Portal* from **July 16 through August 14, 2019**.

##### Access Preview Data

1. Navigate to the *QualityNet* website at <https://www.qualitynet.org>.
2. Select **Login** under the *Log in to QualityNet Secure Portal* header.
3. From the **Choose Your QualityNet Destination** dashboard, select **HQR Next Generation**. Then, select **Let's Go**.
4. Enter your *QualityNet* User ID, Password, and Security Code. Then, select **Submit**.
5. Read the Terms and Conditions statement and select **I Accept** to proceed.
6. Select **Public Reporting**.
7. The page will refresh, and the data will be available to preview.

#### Preview Content

##### Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating

Please see the *Help Guide* for more information.

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

Results reflect (Q)1 2018–Q4 2018 discharges.

- Composite 4: Pain Communication and the associated individual questions are displayed only on the preview UI and PDF; they are not displayed on *Hospital Compare* or in the downloadable database.

- Individual questions from the HCAHPS composite measures are provided for preview and are available in the downloadable database on *Hospital Compare*; they are not displayed on *Hospital Compare*.
- HCAHPS scores based on fewer than 25 completed surveys will display on the Preview with Footnote 1; however, the scores will not be reported on *Hospital Compare*.

##### Timely and Effective Care Measures

- Immunization (IMM-2) displays 2017–2018 flu season data (Q4 2017–Q1 2018 discharges).
- Healthcare Personnel (HCP) Influenza Vaccination displays 2018–2019 flu season data (Q4 2018–Q1 2019).
- SEP-1, VTE-6, and PC-01 measure results include Q1 2018–Q4 2018.
- Emergency Department rates include Q1 2018–Q4 2018 discharges unless otherwise specified.
  - The Emergency Department Volume (EDV) measure is based on the denominator used for Hospital Outpatient Quality Reporting (OQR) Program measure OP-22 for calendar year (CY) 2017 data.
  - ED-1b and ED-2b display the state and national average minutes based on EDV category.

##### Structural Measures

Safe Surgery Checklist Use (SM-5) and Hospital Survey on Patient Safety Culture (SM-6) are based on hospital data for CY 2017.

##### Complication and Deaths

- 30-Day Death Rate measure results reflect Q3 2015–Q2 2018 data.
- CMS Patient Safety Indicators (PSI) rates include Q3 2016–Q2 2018 discharges. CMS PSI 4 and CMS PSI 90 will display on *Hospital Compare*. Individual components of CMS PSI 90 are available in a downloadable database.
- Healthcare-associated Infection (HAI) measure rates reflect Q1 2018–Q4 2018 data.
- Hip/knee replacement surgical complication rates reflect Q2 2015–Q1 2018 discharges.

##### Unplanned Hospital Visits

- Condition-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2015–Q2 2018 discharges.
- Procedure-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2015–Q2 2018 discharges.
- Hospital-wide readmission rates reflect Q3 2017–Q2 2018 discharges.
- Excess Days in Acute Care (EDAC) measure results reflect Q3 2015–Q2 2018 discharge data.

##### Payment and Value of Care

- Payment measures
  - Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI), Heart Failure (HF), and Pneumonia (PN) payment measure results reflect Q3 2015–Q2 2018 discharges.
  - 90-day hip/knee replacement payment measure results reflect Q2 2015–Q1 2018 discharges.
- Medicare Spending per Beneficiary (MSPB) performance scores display for Q1 2017–Q4 2017 discharges.
- Clinical Episode-based Payment (CEBP) measure results reflect Q1 2017–Q4 2017 discharges and will be available on *Hospital Compare* in a downloadable database.