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Subject: FY 2024 IPFQR Program NHSN Enrollment and COVID HCP Measure Quarterly Submission Reminder

This is a reminder that facilities participating in the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program must be enrolled with the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) to submit COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (COVID HCP) measure data. IPFs that are already enrolled with the NHSN are advised to log in well in advance of the deadline to avoid potential access issues later.

IMPORTANT: IPFs must submit the (COVID HCP) measure data for the reporting period of Quarter 1 2022 (January 1–March 31, 2022) by the **August 15, 2022** submission deadline. Failure to do so may result in a two-percentage point reduction in the fiscal year 2024 annual payment update (APU) from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). We strongly recommend that your IPF initiate the enrollment process with the NHSN now if you have not already done so. Quarterly deadlines for the COVID HCP measure data will also impact future payments. Refer to the following resources to assist with the NHSN enrollment and the COVID HCP measure data-submission processes.:

Published Articles in the QualityNet Q&A Tool

- [KB0024915: Facilities required to report COVID HCP measure data](#)
- [KB0024913: COVID HCP Measure Submission for IPF Units](#)
- [KB0024912: COVID HCP Measure Submission Deadlines](#)

On-Demand Webinars

- [*NHSN Enrollment and Reporting Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Vaccination Data*](#)
- [*Reporting Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Vaccination Data Refresher.*](#)

Other Resources Available for Download (from the QualityNet [IPFQR Program Resources](#) and the Quality Reporting Center [IPFQR Program Resources and Tools](#) webpages.)

- FY 2024 NHSN COVID HCP Data Submission and Verification Checklists
- IPFQR Program Measures for FY 2024.

If those resources do not address your questions, contact the CDC's NHSN team via email at nhsn@cdc.gov as soon as possible for assistance and include "Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination-IPF" or "IPF Enrollment Guidance" in the subject line. Also include the name and CCN of your facility in the body of the email. You may want to keep track of any ticket numbers received from NHSN for future reference as they work toward a resolution.

Be sure to complete and submit the [Hospital Contact Change Form](#) to ensure we have the correct contact information for your facility in our system. As the data submission deadline approaches, if your facility has not submitted all necessary data, we will contact the personnel on file.

For general information about the IPFQR Program, we encourage you to review the various the resources provided on the [QualityNet IPFQR Program Resources](#) webpage, starting with the **Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 IPFQR Program Guide**.

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