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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) [Care Compare](#) website provides consumers with information on over 100 quality measures for over 4,000 hospitals nationwide, including Veterans Administration (VA) medical centers and Department of Defense (DoD) military hospitals. The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating summarizes data from existing measures on Care Compare for each hospital to allow users to easily compare hospitals. Patients and caregivers can also compare hospitals' performance for many common conditions.

With the [Provider Data Catalog](#), users can explore and download hospital data, as well as data on ambulatory surgical centers, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and some cancer hospitals. Publicly displaying quality information encourages hospitals and other health care facilities to make continued improvements in care.

CMS updates the data on Care Compare and the Provider Data Catalog websites quarterly, though not all data are updated each quarter.

Data Updates

On January 26, 2022, CMS updated data on the [Care Compare website](#) and on the [Provider Data Catalog](#) for the following measures, measure groups, quality reporting programs and payment programs:

- Timely and effective care
- Healthcare associated infections
- Unplanned hospital visits
- Payment & value of care- Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary (MSBP)
- Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey (includes data on Medicare-certified hospitals, VA medical centers, and Department of Defense [DoD] hospitals)
- Hospital Acquired Conditions Reduction Program (HACRP)
- Hospital Readmission Reduction Program (HRRP)
- Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program
- Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgery Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (OAS CAHPS) Survey for ambulatory surgical centers and hospital outpatient departments
- Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality Reporting (ASCQR) Program
- Prospective Payment System-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) Program

Beginning in January, CMS will begin reporting data for the following measures:

- Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality (ASCQ) Program
 - ASC-17; Hospital Visits after Orthopedic Ambulatory Surgical Center Procedures
 - ASC-18; Hospital Visits after Urology Ambulatory Surgical Center Procedures

Beginning in January, CMS will no longer report the following measures that were removed with the [CY 2020 Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System Final Rule \(CMS-1717-FC\)](#) and [Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2020 Medicare Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System \(IPPS\) and Long Term Acute Care Hospital \(LTCH\) Final Rule \(CMS-1735-F\)](#)

- General Information
 - OP-33; External Beam Radiotherapy for Bone Metastases (including DoD hospitals)
- PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital (PCH) Quality Reporting Program
 - PCH-25; External Beam Radiotherapy for Bone Metastases

VA medical centers will no longer report:

- HBIPS 5; Patients discharged on multiple antipsychotic medications with appropriate justification

Beginning in January, Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) will update the Measure ID of **MedCoPsy** to **MedCont** for Patients admitted to an inpatient psychiatric facility for major depressive disorder (MDD), schizophrenia, or bipolar disorder who filled at least one prescription in the timeframe between 2 days prior to discharge and 30 days after discharge.

More Information

For more information on Care Compare, please visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare>.

For general questions regarding Hospital Public Reporting, measures and data reported on Care Compare and the Provider Data Catalog, go to the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#).