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We are pleased to announce the CMS Abstraction and Reporting Tool (CART)-Inpatient 4.31.0 has been released and is available on the *QualityNet* website, <https://qualitynet.cms.gov/>.

This release contains updates to CART Inpatient 4.31.0 to support the IQR Master Code list diagnosis updates, Specifications Manual v5.14a and Updates to the Sex Data Element.

CART Version 4.31.0 Initial Installation-The initial installation of CART includes the new sex data elements that were effective July 1, 2023, with IQR Specification manual v5.14a. This install also contains the Appendix A and Master code diagnosis updates that are effective October 1, 2023, under IQR Specification Manual v5.14a.

This CART version must only be used for discharge dates 07-01-23 through 12-31-23 (3Q 2023 – 4Q2023).

Users must continue using their currently installed version of CART (v4.30.1) to complete their abstractions for 2Q 2023.

The CART 4.31.0 download, as well as installation instructions, edits, and online help are located on the *QualityNet* website. Select the **Hospitals – Inpatient** card on the home page of QualityNet. On the Hospitals-Outpatient page, select **Data Management** and then, select **CMS Abstraction & Reporting Tool (CART)** under **Data Collection**.

The CART-Inpatient version 4.31.0 can be accessed under the CART Overview page. Edits and Online Help Guide are at the bottom of the Download Cart page under Resources.

Known issues for CART-Inpatient are located on the [QualityNet Home page](#) under the Help menu. Select the **Known Issues** link and navigate to Hospital Quality Reporting System Known Issues PDF.

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