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Subject: CMS Releases January 2024 Public Reporting CBM PSI HSRs

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Claims-Based Measure (CBM) Patient Safety Indicator (PSI) Hospital-Specific Reports (HSRs) were delivered on October 18, 2023. **Results were originally planned to be publicly reported in October 2023 but are, instead, being released during the January 2024 Public Reporting refresh.** The HSR workbook includes the following CMS PSI measures:

- CMS PSI 04 Death Rate Among Surgical Inpatients with Serious Treatable Complications
- CMS PSI 90 Composite Patient Safety and Adverse Events Composite CMS PSI 90 Composite is calculated based on the following component CMS PSIs:
 - o PSI 03 Pressure Ulcer Rate
 - o PSI 06 Iatrogenic Pneumothorax Rate
 - o PSI 08 In-Hospital Fall with Hip Fracture Rate
 - o PSI 09 Postoperative Hemorrhage or Hematoma Rate
 - o PSI 10 Postoperative Acute Kidney Injury Requiring Dialysis Rate
 - o PSI 11 Postoperative Respiratory Failure Rate
 - o PSI 12 Perioperative Pulmonary Embolism or Deep Vein Thrombosis Rate
 - o PSI 13 Postoperative Sepsis Rate
 - o PSI 14 Postoperative Wound Dehiscence Rate
 - o PSI 15 Abdominopelvic Accidental Puncture or Laceration Rate

Updates for January 2024 Public Reporting

CMS recently made updates to the risk-adjustment calculations for PSI 04 and PSI 14 in the CMS PSI Version 13 software which resulted in a small shift of hospital rates for PSI 04, PSI 14, and the PSI 90 composite measure, relative to the national rates. As such, CMS has re-calculated PSI rates for January 2024 Public Reporting.

The discharge period for January 2024 Public Reporting is the same period used for October 2023 Public Reporting (**July 1, 2020–June 30, 2022**).

For more information on measure methodology, please review the most recent technical specifications on QualityNet.

Accessing the HSR

Beginning in November 2022, CBM reports can now be downloaded directly from the <u>Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) System</u> (login required). Follow the steps below to access your HSR via the HQR system. You can view a brief <u>instructional video</u> on how to download your reports.

Step 1: Log into the HQR System using a Health Care Quality Improvement System Access Roles and a Profile (HARP) account.

 The HQR System requires users to have an account with access to Managed File Transfer (MFT) to log in. If you currently have a HARP account, visit the <u>HQR login page</u> and log in using your HARP user ID and password. If you do not have a HARP account, you may register for a <u>HARP ID</u>.

Step 2: Access your HSR in HQR.

- Log into the HQR System using your HARP ID credentials and navigate through the steps listed below to download your HSR.
 - o From the left-hand navigation menu, select Program Reporting.
 - o Then, select Claims-based Measures.
 - o Here, you can view your HSRs.
 - Select the release year for your report (e.g., 2024). Then, select the program (e.g., IQR/PR). Under Report, you can see the list of files available for download (e.g., CMS PSI).
 - To download a file, select Export. Files are available in Excel and .csv (Table 3: CMS PSI Discharges *only*). The file will download through your browser. Once downloaded, open the ZIP file to view your site's information.

Preview Period Requests and Questions about Results

CMS gives hospitals 30 days to preview their results and submit questions before public reporting on CMS's <u>Care Compare</u> and <u>Provider Data Catalog</u> websites in January 2024. This 30-day period is known as the Preview Period. CMS is providing HSRs for the January 2024 public reporting preview period that began **Thursday**, **October 19**, **2023**, and ends at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time (PT) on **Friday**, **November 17**, **2023**. This preview period process does **not** allow hospitals to submit additional corrections related to the underlying claims data or add new claims to the data extract used to calculate the rates.

The HSRs are designed to provide hospitals the opportunity to review measure results, check discharge data used in the calculation of the CBMs and replicate their results. Discrepancies or concerns regarding the claims or results included in the HSRs must be reported during the preview period (Thursday, October 19, 2023–Friday, November 17, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. PT) to be considered by CMS. Any requests for the adjustment of claims, measure results, measure scores, or notation of those measure results will not be considered if the request is submitted after Friday November 17, 2023.

Contacts for Questions

Please direct any questions or concerns about your hospital's calculations to the <u>QualityNet</u> <u>Question and Answer (Q&A) Tool</u> no later than 11:59 p.m. PT on the final day of the Preview Period (Friday, November 17, 2023). Select Ask a Question and choose Inpatient Claims-Based Measures in the Program list. Select the appropriate measure group in the Topic list and enter

"Preview Period Request" as the Subtopic. Then, enter "Public Reporting Preview Period Inquiry" on the Subject line.