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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) <u>Care Compare tool on Medicare.gov</u> 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.

With the <u>Provider Data Catalog</u>, 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 healthcare facilities to make continued improvements in care.

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

## **Data Updates**

Today, April 30, 2025, CMS has updated data for hospitals on the public reporting websites.

CMS updated data for the following measures, measure groups, quality reporting programs and payment programs:

- Healthcare associated infections (HAI)
- Timely and effective care
- Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality Reporting (ASCQR)
- 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)
- Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR)
- Prospective Payment System -Exempt Cancer Hospital (PCH) Quality Reporting Program

CMS has not added any new measures or retired measures for April 2025 public reporting on Care Compare.

To enhance quality healthcare reporting for Care Compare users, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has temporarily paused the public display of the Hospital Promoting Interoperability Electronic Health Record (EHR) icon on the Care Compare tool at Medicare.gov. The Promoting Interoperability data is not currently available on the Care Compare tool on Medicare.gov. The Provider Data Catalog website has limited data reported for Promoting Interoperability within the new

Promoting Interoperability dataset, such as the Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT) ID. CMS will continue to communicate system updates.

## **More Information and Compare Websites**

For more information on the Care Compare tool, please visit: <a href="https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/">https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/</a>

For more information on the Provider Data Catalog, please visit: <a href="https://data.cms.gov/provider\_data/topics/hospitals">https://data.cms.gov/provider\_data/topics/hospitals</a>

For general questions regarding Hospital Public Reporting go to the <u>QualityNet Question and Answer Tool.</u> Under Program please select: Hospital Care Compare Site Support and choose your specific Topic. This will get your inquiry directly into the Hospital Care Compare Site inbox.

For questions regarding Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings go to the <u>QualityNet Question and Answer Tool</u>. Under Program please select: Overall Hospital Star Ratings and choose your specific Topic. This will get your inquiry directly to the Overall Star Ratings inbox.