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Subject: IPF-PAI Technical Information Call on November 17, 2026

CMS will hold a technical informational call about the Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Patient Assessment Instrument (IPF-PAI) on Tuesday, November 17, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. ET. The call is intended for technical staff and software developers from vendors, EHRs, and IPFs.

Please register here to attend the call:

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/a5786d03-0197-434f-a1a2-4c16646dad2b2@fbdcedc1-70a9-414b-bfa5-c3063fc3395e?source=copyLinkLegacyShareEventDialog>

Background Information:

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 requires IPFs participating in the IPF Quality Reporting Program to collect and submit standardized patient assessment data, using a standardized patient assessment instrument starting fiscal year 2028.

This technical information call will cover topics such as:

- The CMS Data Element Library (DEL) Implementation Guide (IG)
- The Internet Quality Improvement and Evaluation System (iQIES) Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR ®) Receiving System Implementation Guide (IG)
- Information about the Patient Assessment Reporting Interoperability Tool (PARIT), a free, optional method for IPF-PAI data submission
- Testing and validation opportunities
- Submitted Questions & Answers

Attendees may submit questions prior to the vendor call to iQIES@cms.hhs.gov. Please include "IPF-PAI TECH CALL" in the subject line. Questions must be e-mailed prior to 6:00 pm ET on Monday, November 9, 2026.

***** CMS strongly recommends that all IPF vendors, EHRs, and software developers attend this call. *****

The IPF-PAI was finalized in the Fiscal Year 2027 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System Final Rule: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2026/07/31/2026->

[15588/medicare-program-fy-2027-inpatient-psychiatric-facilities-prospective-payment-system-rate-update](#)

If you have any questions about the information above, please contact the iQIES Service Center by email at iqies@cms.hhs.gov or by phone at 1-800-339-9313.