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CMS' Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system is now open for the mandatory submission of EHR-derived clinical data and linking variables for the fiscal year (FY) 2028 Hybrid Hospital-Wide Readmission (HWR) measure and Hybrid Hospital-Wide (HWM) measure for the July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, reporting period. The data submission deadline is **Thursday, October 1, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time.**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has updated the HQR system to accept Quality Reporting Document Architecture Category I test and production files associated with this reporting period. The requirements are located on the [Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement Resource Center](#).

More information on the Hybrid HWR and Hybrid HWM measures is available on the [Hybrid Measures](#) page of the QualityNet website. On that page, you can also access the [2027 Key Dates and Resources](#) document.

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