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*Quality Reporting Center's Biweekly News Blast*

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Some quick facts about ASC-12: Facility 7-Day Risk-Standardized Hospital Visit Rate after Outpatient Colonoscopy:

- *We know there was a [dry run](#) for this measure, but when will the data be part of the ASC Quality Reporting (ASCQR) Program and affect our payment update?*  
The first payment update to be affected by this measure will be for the calendar year (CY) 2018 payment determination.
- *How do we submit these data to count toward the CY 2018 payment determination?*  
ASC-12 will be calculated from CY 2017 Medicare administrative claims and enrollment data for patients aged 65 years and older. Your facility is not responsible for data abstraction or submission for this measure.
- *Why does ASC-12 select a one-week time frame for hospitalization after outpatient colonoscopy?*  
Research indicates that most adverse events after colonoscopy occur within the first seven days after the procedure, and claims data confirm that the highest rates of hospital visits happen within this time frame.
- *When will these data be publicly reported?*  
The first release on *Hospital Compare* for ASC-12 data is planned for December 2017.

You'll find a wealth of information on [QualityNet](#) about ASC-12 – how the measure is calculated, what kinds of visits are excluded from measure calculation, how to use the measure results to improve quality at your ASC, and more. The ASCQR [Specifications Manual Version 6.0](#) will also answer questions you may have about its implementation.

We're here to answer your questions about ASC-12 or anything else about the program. Give us a call at 866.800.8756, or send us an email at <https://cms-ocsq.custhelp.com>.