

October 2024 Release
Preview Period: July 31 through August 29, 2024
Inpatient Public Reporting Preview Quick Reference Guide

Preview User Interface (UI) Access

Preview Period

Preview data are available to participating inpatient facilities **July 31–August 29, 2024**, via the *Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) Secure Portal*.

Access Preview Data

1. Navigate to the HQR page: <https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login>
2. Enter your Health Care Quality Information Systems Access Roles and Profile User ID and Password. By logging in, you agree to the terms and conditions. Select **Log In**.
3. The **Two-Factor Authorization page appears**. Select **Text** or **Email**. Select **Next**.
4. Enter the code you received. Then, select **Next**.
5. On the **HQR landing** page, hover over **Lock Menu** on the left side.
6. Select **Program Reporting**.
7. From the drop-down menu, select **Public Reporting**.
8. The page will refresh, and the preview data will be available.

Note: Data that reflect services provided January 1, 2020–June 30, 2020, (Quarter (Q)1 and Q2 2020) are not used in calculations for Medicare quality reporting. For more information, please refer to this [notification](#).

Preview Content

Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating

The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating is updated for the July 2024 release. Please see the [Help Guide](#) for details.

Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey

- Results reflect Q1 2023–Q4 2023 discharges.
- You can preview individual questions from the HCAHPS composite measures in the downloadable data catalog on [Data.cms.gov](#); they are not displayed on the [Care Compare on Medicare.gov](#).
- HCAHPS scores based on fewer than 25 completed surveys will not appear on the [Care Compare on Medicare.gov](#).

Timely and Effective Care Measures

- Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) displays 2023–2024 flu season data (Q4 2023–Q1 2024).
- COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP displays the most recent quarter (Q4 2023).
- SEP-1 and PC-01 measure results include Q1 2023–Q4 2023 data. SEP-1 3-hour and 6-hour bundle data are included in the downloadable data catalog on [Data.cms.gov](#).
- Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQMs) for VTE-1, VTE-2, STK-02, STK-03, STK-05, STK-06, PC-05, ED-2, HH-01, HH-02, ePC-02, ePC-07a, ePC-07b, and Safe Use of Opioids display data submitted via electronic health records for calendar year 2023.

Structural Measures

- The Maternal Morbidity Structural Measure displays Q1 2023–Q4 2023 provider responses.

Health Equity

- Hospital Commitment to Health Equity (HCHE) displays Q1 2023–Q4 2023 provider responses.

Complication and Deaths

- The 30-Day Mortality Rate measure results reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2023 discharges.
- CMS Patient Safety Indicator measure results reflect Q3 2021–Q2 2023 discharges.
- Healthcare-associated Infection measure rates reflect Q1 2023–Q4 2023 events.
- Surgical complications rates reflect Q3 2020–Q1 2023 discharges.

Unplanned Hospital Visits

- Condition-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2023 discharges.
- Procedure-specific readmission rates reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2023 discharges.
- Hospital-wide readmission rates reflect Q3 2022 and Q2 2023 discharges.
- Excess Days in Acute Care measure results reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2023 discharges.

Payment and Value of Care

- Acute myocardial infarction, heart failure, and pneumonia payment measure results reflect Q3 2020–Q2 2023 discharges.
- 90-day hip/knee payment measure results reflect Q3 2020–Q1 2023 discharges.
- Medicare Spending per Beneficiary measure performance scores display for Q1 2022–Q4 2022 discharges.

Patient-Reported Outcome

- Total Hip/Knee Arthroplasty inpatient pre-operative surveys are only Q1–Q2 2023.