

# Fiscal Year 2026 Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program Quick Reference Guide



Payment adjustment effective for discharges from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026

Mortality Measures					
Clinical Outcomes	Baseline Period		Performance Period		
	July 1, 2016–June 30, 2019		July 1, 2021–June 30, 2024		
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark	
	MORT-30-AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction 30-Day Mortality	0.874426	0.890687	25%
	MORT-30-CABG	Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery 30-Day Mortality	0.970568	0.980473	
	MORT-30-COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease 30-Day Mortality	0.914691	0.932157	
	MORT-30-HF	Heart Failure 30-Day Mortality	0.885949	0.912874	
MORT-30-PN	Pneumonia 30-Day Mortality	0.843369	0.877097		
Complication Measure					
Baseline Period		Performance Period		25%	
April 1, 2016–March 31, 2019		April 1, 2021–March 31, 2024			
Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark		
COMP-HIP-KNEE	Total Hip Arthroplasty/Total Knee Arthroplasty Complication	0.024019	0.016873		
Person and Community Engagement					
Person and Community Engagement	Baseline Period		Performance Period		25%
	Jan. 1, 2022–Dec. 31, 2022		Jan. 1, 2024–Dec. 31, 2024		
	HCAHPS Survey Dimensions	Floor (%)	Achievement Threshold (%)	Benchmark (%)	
	Communication with Nurses	55.23	76.41	85.57	
	Communication with Doctors	58.04	76.83	85.93	
	Responsiveness of Hospital Staff	36.52	59.56	77.19	
	Communication about Medicines	39.27	58.06	70.11	
	Hospital Cleanliness and Quietness	38.59	62.61	77.49	
	Discharge Information	63.22	85.54	91.10	
Care Transition	19.98	48.55	60.85		
Overall Rating of Hospital	31.58	67.59	83.16		
Healthcare-Associated Infections					
Safety	Baseline Period		Performance Period		25%
	Jan. 1, 2022–Dec. 31, 2022		Jan. 1, 2024–Dec. 31, 2024		
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark	
	CAUTI	Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection	0.615	0.000	
	↓ CDI	Clostridium <i>difficile</i> Infection	0.423	0.000	
	↓ CLABSI	Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection	0.760	0.000	
	↓ MRSA	Methicillin-Resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	0.793	0.000	
	↓ SSI	Colon Surgery Abdominal Hysterectomy	0.747 0.763	0.000 0.000	
↑ Sepsis	Severe Sepsis & Septic Shock	0.597482	0.843620		
Efficiency and Cost Reduction					
Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Baseline Period		Performance Period		25%
	Jan. 1, 2022–Dec. 31, 2022		Jan. 1, 2024–Dec. 31, 2024		
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark	
↓ MSPB	Medicare Spending per Beneficiary	Median MSPB ratio across all hospitals during the performance period	Mean of lowest decile of MSPB ratios across all hospitals during the performance period		

↓ Indicates lower values are better for the measure. ↑ Indicates higher values are better for the measure.