

Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Hospital Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program Quick Reference Guide



Payment adjustment effective for discharges from October 1, 2026, to September 30, 2027

Mortality Measures				
Clinical Outcomes	Baseline Period		Performance Period	
	July 1, 2017–June 30, 2020*		July 1, 2022–June 30, 2025	
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark
	MORT-30-AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction 30-Day Mortality	0.877824	0.893133
	MORT-30-CABG	Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery 30-Day Mortality	0.971149	0.980752
	MORT-30-COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease 30-Day Mortality	0.917395	0.932640
	MORT-30-HF	Heart Failure 30-Day Mortality	0.887571	0.913388
MORT-30-PN	Pneumonia 30-Day Mortality	0.844826	0.877204	
Complication Measure				
Clinical Outcomes	Baseline Period		Performance Period	
	April 1, 2017–March 31, 2020*		April 1, 2022–March 31, 2025	
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark
↓ COMP-HIP-KNEE	Total Hip Arthroplasty/Total Knee Arthroplasty Complication	0.023322	0.017018	
Person and Community Engagement				
Person and Community Engagement	Baseline Period		Performance Period	
	Jan. 1, 2023–Dec. 31, 2023		Jan. 1, 2025–Dec. 31, 2025	
	HCAHPS Survey Dimensions*	Floor (%)	Achievement Threshold (%)	Benchmark (%)
	Communication with Nurses	51.40	77.32	86.30
	Communication with Doctors	51.59	77.53	86.29
	Responsiveness of Hospital Staff	X	X	X
	Communication about Medicines	35.92	58.08	70.11
	Hospital Cleanliness and Quietness	38.41	63.37	77.73
	Discharge Information	64.47	86.02	91.48
	Care Transition	X	X	X
Overall Rating of Hospital	34.52	68.79	83.97	
Healthcare-Associated Infections				
Safety	Baseline Period		Performance Period	
	Jan. 1, 2023–Dec. 31, 2023		Jan. 1, 2025–Dec. 31, 2025	
	Measure ID	Measure Name	Achievement Threshold	Benchmark
	↓ CAUTI	Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection	0.500	0.000
	↓ CDI	Clostridium <i>difficile</i> Infection	0.351	0.000
	↓ CLABSI	Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection	0.608	0.000
	↓ MRSA	Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus <i>aureus</i>	0.650	0.000
	↓ SSI	Colon Surgery Abdominal Hysterectomy	0.735 0.884	0.000 0.000
↑ SEP-1	Severe Sepsis & Septic Shock	0.618251	0.860833	
Efficiency and Cost Reduction				
Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Baseline Period		Performance Period	
	Jan. 1, 2023–Dec. 31, 2023		Jan. 1, 2025–Dec. 31, 2025	
	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.

*These baseline periods are impacted by the Extraordinary Circumstances Exception (ECE) granted by CMS on March 22, 2020. Qualifying claims will be excluded from the measure calculations for January 1, 2020–March 31, 2020 (Q1 2020) and April 1, 2020–June 30, 2020 (Q2 2020) from claims-based, complication, and mortality measures. For information, see the FY 2022 Inpatient Prospective Payment System/Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System final rule (pages 45297 through 45299).

**For the FY 2027 program year, we would only score on the six dimensions of the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey that would remain unchanged from the current version.