### **April 2025 Release**

# Preview Period: February 13 through March 14, 2025 Inpatient Public Reporting Preview Quick Reference Guide

### **Preview User Interface (UI) Access**

#### **Preview Period**

Preview data are available to participating inpatient facilities via the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system page at <a href="https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login">https://hqr.cms.gov/hqrng/login</a> from

## February 13 through March 14, 2025. Access Preview Data

- 1. Navigate to the HQR system page: https://hgr.cms.gov/hqrng/login
- Enter your Health Care Quality Information Systems Access Roles and Profile (HARP) User ID and Password. By logging in, you agree to the terms and conditions. Select Log In.
- You will see the Two-Factor
   Authorization page. Select Text or
   Email. Then, select Next.
- 4. Enter the code you received and select **Next**.
- 5. On the HQR system 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 data will be available to preview.

CMS will not use data that reflects services provided from January 1, 2020–June 30, 2020 (Q1 and Q2 2020), in its calculations for Medicare quality reporting. For more information, please refer to this communication.

#### **Preview Content**

#### **Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating**

The Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating is updated for the April 2025 release. Please see the Help Guide for details.

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

- Results reflect Q3 2023–Q2 2024 discharges.
- You can preview individual questions from the HCAHPS composite measures in the downloadable data catalog on <u>data.cms.gov</u>; they are not displayed on the Compare tool 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 (Q2 2024).
- SEP-1 measure results include Q3 2023–Q2 2024 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, and Safe Use of Opioids display data submitted via electronic health records for calendar year 2023.

#### **Maternal Health**

- Structural Measure (SM-7)
- Perinatal Care (ePC-02, PC-05, ePC-07a, ePC-07b)
- Results reflect Q1 2023–Q4 2023 discharges.

#### **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 Q3 2023–Q2 2024 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 2023–Q4 2023 discharges.

## **Patient-Reported Outcome**

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

The <u>Help Guide</u>, on <u>QualityNet</u>, contains detailed measure information in the Preview UI. For those hospitals eligible to withhold data, the Inpatient and Outpatient Healthcare Quality Systems Development and Program Support Contractor must receive the <u>Request for Withholding Data from Public Reporting Form</u> no later than March 14, 2025.