

Quick Reference Guide for Claims-Based Measure Confidential Review Period

Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Public Reporting

Overview

The IPFQR Program will conduct a confidential review period of the FY 2026 results for the claims-based measures prior to public reporting on the Care Compare and Provider Data Catalog websites hosted by the Department of Health & Human Services. During this confidential review period, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will provide inpatient psychiatric facilities (IPFs) with access to their IPF-Specific Reports (ISRs).

ISRs allow IPFs to review the data that will be publicly reported in calendar year 2026 for the *Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization* (FAPH), *Thirty-Day All-Cause Unplanned Readmission Following Psychiatric Hospitalization in an IPF* (IPF Readmission), and *Medication Continuation Following Inpatient Psychiatric Discharge* (MedCont) measures calculated by CMS using administrative claims data. ISRs also contain information that is not available to the public, like beneficiary-level claims data and risk factors used to calculate the measure, to inform quality improvement activities.

IPFs are encouraged to review their ISRs and accompanying user guides. Any requests for corrections of the data, measure results, measure scores, or notation of measure results **must be submitted to the CCSQ Service Center by the end of the confidential review period**. The confidential review period does not allow IPFs to submit additional corrections related to the underlying claims data or add new claims to the data extract used to calculate the rates.

Accessing Your IPF-Specific Reports

Your IPF's ISRs are available through the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system. Users will need a Health Care Quality Improvement System (HCQIS) Access Roles and Profile (HARP) account to download ISRs.

If you have a HARP account, visit the [HQR login page](#) and log in using your HARP user ID and password. If you do not have a HARP account, you may [register for a HARP ID](#).

Once you have logged into the HQR system, you may locate your ISR by selecting **Program Reporting** on the left-hand menu. Select **Measure details**, then select the **Measure details dashboard** option. To view the FY 2026 ISRs, select the IPFQR program and 2025 for the release year. Under **Select report**, you can view a list of ISR files available for download. Additionally, ISRs can be exported as PDFs or in full as CSV files. Only the latter includes the discharge-level tab.

Resources

Contact Information

If you are unable to access your ISRs or have questions and comments after reviewing your ISRs, please contact the CCSQ Service Center.

Phone: (866) 288-8912

TRS: 711

Email: QnetSupport@cms.hhs.gov

IPFQR Program Listserv

If you have not already done so, subscribe to the [IPFQR Program Listserv](#) to receive important notifications from CMS about program updates, reporting requirements, educational webinars, and submission deadlines.

Measure Specifications

For more information on the specifications and methodology used to calculate measure data for FY 2026 public reporting, download the Claims-Based Measure Specifications document from the *QualityNet* IPFQR [Measures Resources](#) page.