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Subject: CMS Releases Updated FY 2025 HSRs for the FY 2025 Hospital-Acquired Condition (HAC) Reduction Program and PPSRs for the Hospital Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released updated fiscal year (FY) 2025 Hospital-Specific Reports (HSRs) for the Hospital-Acquired Condition (HAC) Reduction Program on October 4, 2024 due to an issue in the calculation of the Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy Surgical Site Infection (SSI) measure for FY 2025 payment determination. These updated HSRs are intended to replace the HSRs that were released on August 2, 2024. CMS will also release updated Percentage Payment Summary Reports (PPSRs) for the Hospital Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program in the coming weeks. These updated PPSRs are intended to replace the PPSRs that were released on August 7, 2024. In addition, the corrected SSI values will be displayed when Care Compare data are updated for the October 2024 release.

Accessing Updated FY 2025 HAC Reduction Program HSRs

Hospitals can access the updated FY 2025 HAC Reduction Program HSRs directly from the <u>Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system</u> (login required). Information on how to access your hospital's report via the HQR system is available on <u>QualityNet</u>.

Accessing Updated FY 2025 Hospital VBP Program PPSRs

Participating hospitals will be able to access their updated FY 2025 Hospital VBP Program PPSR through the *HQR Secure Portal* once released. The updated FY 2025 reports will include hospitals' Total Performance Score (TPS) and value-based incentive payment adjustments.

If you have any issues accessing your hospital's HSR or PPSR, please contact the CCSQ Service Center at QnetSupport@cms.hhs.gov, or by calling, toll free, 866-288-8912 (TRS 711), weekdays from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm ET. For questions related to HARP registration, please visit the HARP Help-page or contact QnetSupport@cms.hhs.gov.

HAC Reduction Program Scoring Calculations Review and Correction period

Due to the release of the updated HSRs, CMS will hold an additional Scoring Calculations Review and Correction period for the FY 2025 HAC Reduction Program. **The Scoring Calculations Review and Correction period begins on October 7, 2024 and ends on November 6, 2024.** More information about the Scoring Calculations Review and Correction period is available on QualityNet. Please note, the payment adjustments for hospitals receiving

the 1% payment reduction will occur before the end of this additional Review and Corrections period.

Hospital VBP Program Review and Corrections and Appeal period

Due to the release of the updated PPSRs, CMS will hold an additional Review and Corrections and Appeal period for the FY 2025 Hospital VBP Program. The Review and Corrections period will extend for 30 calendar days after the PPSRs are released. More information about the Hospital VBP Program's Review and Corrections and Appeals process is available on QualityNet. Please note, the value-based incentive payments will occur before the end of this additional Review and Corrections period.