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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in our commitment to transparency, will update the Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings with the April 2025 public reporting refresh. CMS will use data from the October 2024 refresh and follow the 2021 methodology (v4.1).

To address concerns about the timeliness of the Overall Star Ratings, CMS has chosen to use more recent data from the October 2024 refresh, providing a better reflection of updated measure data.

Additionally, CMS will continue to exclude data from services provided between January 1, 2020, and June 30, 2020 (Q1 and Q2 2020), due to reporting exceptions granted during that period. Of the 46 measures included in the April 2025 Overall Star Ratings, only two (COMP/HIP/KNEE and OP-32) still reflect this timeframe.

Questions about the Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings can be submitted via the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#). Under Program, please select: Overall Hospital Star Ratings and choose your specific topic.