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Subject: **Reminder: CMS Released FY 2025 Hospital VBP Program Mortality and Complication Hospital-Specific Reports**

This is a reminder that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released Hospital-Specific Reports (HSRs) for the fiscal year (FY) 2025 **Hospital Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program Mortality and Complication** program via the [Hospital Quality Reporting \(HQR\) system](#). The Hospital VBP Program Mortality and Complication HSRs contain information on hospital performance on mortality and complication measures for the FY 2025 program year. The report comes with a user guide with information about the contents of the HSR.

The following measures are included in the reports:

- Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) Mortality
- Heart Failure (HF) Mortality
- Pneumonia Mortality
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Mortality
- Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG) Mortality
- Total Hip Arthroplasty and/or Total Knee Arthroplasty (THA/TKA) Complication

Performance periods

Your hospital's results for the FY 2025 program year are calculated using data from the following measure-specific performance periods:

| Measure | Performance period |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mortality | July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023 |
| THA/TKA Complication ^a | April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2023 |

^a The THA/TKA complication performance period for FY 2025 is impacted by the Extraordinary Circumstance Exception and excludes 2020 Quarter 2 data (April 1, 2020, through June 30, 2023), as discussed in a memo published by CMS on [March 27, 2020](#) and finalized in the [FY 2022 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule \(page 45298\)](#). As a result, the measure includes discharges from July 1, 2020 – March 31, 2023.

Accessing the HSR

You can now download the FY 2025 HVBP Mortality and Complication HSR from the HQR system.

The HQR system requires users to have a Health Care Quality Improvement System (HCQIS) Access Roles and Profile (HARP) account with access to Managed File Transfer (MFT) to log on. If you currently 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](#).

Log into the HQR system using your HARD ID credentials and navigate through the steps listed below to download your HSR:

- From the left-hand navigation menu, select “Program Reporting”
- Then select “Measure details”
- Here, you can view your hospital specific reports (HSRs)
- Select the release year (2024), followed by the program in which you are interested (HVBP). Under “Report,” you can see the list of files available for download (e.g., HVBP HSR).
- To download a file, select “Export,” and the file will be downloaded through your browser. Once downloaded, open the ZIP file to view your site’s information.

If you have any issues accessing your HSR, please contact the CCSQ Service Center at QNetSupport@cms.hhs.gov or call (866) 288.8912 (TTY: 877.715.62222), weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time. You can also view a brief [instructional video](#) on how to download your reports.

For questions related to HARP registration, please visit the HARP Help webpage or contact qnetsupport@cms.hhs.gov.

Review and Correction Period

The Review and Correction Period began on May 9, 2024 and will end June 10, 2024. The Review and Correction Period enables hospitals to review the results in their HSR and submit questions about their calculations. Hospitals cannot request corrections to the underlying claims data or add new claims to the data extract during this period. Hospitals can review the data in their HSR and replicate their results using the information in their HSR and accompanying user guide.

CMS encourages hospitals to review their HSR and submit questions about their calculations as soon as possible. Submit all requests for corrections using the [QualityNet Question and Answer Tool](#) **no later than 11:59 p.m. PT on June 10, 2024.**

To submit a question using the QualityNet Question and Answer Tool, select “Inpatient Claims-Based Measures” from the program list and “HVBP Mortality and Complication review & correction request” as the topic. Hospitals should describe each discrepancy and include the following:

- CMS Certification Number (CCN)
- Hospital name
- Hospital address
- Contact’s name, phone number, and email address
- Measure or component in question

Hospitals should not include personally identifiable information (PII) or protected health information (PHI) in their inquiry. When referring to the contents of the HSR, use the ID Number.

Additional information

More information about the Hospital VBP program is available on the [QualityNet website](#) and the [CMS website](#).
