## **General Requirements:**

To be considered a meaningful user and to avoid a downward payment adjustment, the following is required for eligible hospitals\* and critical access hospitals\*\* participating in the Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program.

### Submit data based on the CMS required reporting period.

- For eCQM reporting, submit four quarters of CY 2024 data (Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4).
- The EHR Reporting Period is a minimum of any continuous, self-selected 180-day period within CY 2024.
- ♦ Last day to begin 180-day reporting requirement was July 5, 2024.

### Report data using the **ONC Health IT certification criteria** to meet the CEHRT requirement.

- The CMS EHR Certification ID is required to submit data in the HQR Secure Portal. For information, visit the Certified Health IT Product List website.
- The ONC health IT certification criteria functionality must be used as needed for a measure action to count in the numerator during the EHR reporting period.

### Report data using CMS approved CY 2024 measure specifications.

- For eCQM specifications, use the CMS Annual Update published in 2023 and any applicable addenda for the CY 2024 reporting period, available on the eCQI Resource Center.
- For objective and measure specifications, use the CY 2024 specification sheets.

### Earn a minimum total program score of 60 points.

- A total score up to 100 points includes scores of individual measures added together.
- will result in a program failure. • Scores will be rounded to the nearest whole

number during measure calculation for perfor-

mance rates and objective/measure scores.

⇒ Friday, March 14, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT

Successfully submit data to the

**HQR Secure Portal** 

by the submission deadline:

### • A score of zero in the numerator or an objective (Deadline extended from February 28, 2025)

### **SCORED REQUIREMENTS**

The total program score must be at least 60 points.

### **Electronic Prescribing**

- e-Prescribing (10 points) (Num/Den Required)
- Query of PDMP (10 points) (Yes/No Attestation Required)

### Health Information Exchange: Must select 1 of the 3 reporting options below.

Support Electronic Referral Loops by Sending Health Information (15 points)

AND Support Electronic Referral Loops by Receiving and Reconciling Health Information (15 points) (Num/Den Required)

Health Information Exchange Bi-Directional Exchange (30 points) (Yes/No Attestation Required)

Enabling Exchange under TEFCA (30 points) (Yes/No Attestation Required)

#### **Provider to Patient Exchange**

Provide Patients Electronic Access to Their Health Information (25 points)) (Num/Den Required)

#### Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange (25 points)

#### A level of active engagement is required for each measure below.

- Syndromic Surveillance Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)
- Immunization Registry Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)
- Electronic Case Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)
- Electronic Reportable Laboratory Result Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)
- AUR Surveillance measure (Yes/No Attestation Required)

### **eCQM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Submit four calendar quarters of data for a total of six eCQMs. Each quarter must contain the same six eCQMs.

#### Submit data for the following eCQMs:

Three CMS-selected (mandatory) eCQMs:

- Safe Use of Opioids Concurrent Prescribing
- Cesarean Birth (PC-02)
- Severe Obstetric Complications (PC-07)

#### AND

Three self-selected eCQMs from the CY 2024 Available eCQMs Table

### Submit eCQM data as any combination of the following:

- QRDA Category I files with patients meeting the IPP of the applicable measure(s)
- Zero denominator declarations
- Case threshold exemptions

Refer to the CY 2024 eCQM Submission Overview & CY 2024 QRDA

Category I Submission Checklist on the QualityNet and Quality

Reporting Center websites.

### **UNSCORED REQUIREMENTS** An attestation of Yes is required.

#### **Protect Patient Health Information**

- SAFER Guides
- Security Risk Analysis Measure

Acting to Limit or Restrict the Compatibility or Interoperability of CEHRT

**ONC Direct Review** 

# **Bonus**

#### **OPTIONAL MEASURES/REQUIREMENTS**

### **Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange** Report only one for 5 bonus points:

- Public Health Registry Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)
- Clinical Data Registry Reporting (Yes/No Attestation Required)

**ONC ACB Surveillance (**Yes/No/NA Attestation):

This is an optional attestation. No bonus points will be provided.

For questions about the Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program and Hardship Exception Process, please contact the Inpatient & Outpatient Healthcare Quality Systems Development & Program Support Team at https://cmsqualitysupport.servicenowservices.com/qnet\_qa or (844) 472-4477.

<sup>\*</sup>The submission of CY 2024 data will affect the FY 2026 payment determination.

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