

QRURs for Individual Physicians Practicing in Groups

2011 QRURs

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[QRUR Template for Individual Physicians](#)

From December 17, 2012 until at least April 2013, physicians practicing in nine states within a group of 25 or more eligible professionals can obtain their own QRUR for 2011. The nine states are California, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, and Wisconsin. Physicians who meet the criteria should go to www.qrurinfo.com for information about obtaining their own QRUR- Personal identifiers are required.

Frequently Asked Questions on QRURs for Individual Physicians

Coming Soon: Answers to common questions related to Individual Physician QRURs.

[Methodology for the 2011 Individual Physician Quality and Resource Use Reports](#)

This document provides technical details of the methodology used to produce the current QRURs for individual physicians.

[Physician Quality Reporting System \(PQRS\)](#)

Link to CMS webpages covering the PQRS program and information for individuals about participating in PQRS.

[Narrative Specifications for 28 Claims-Based Quality Measures Included in the PY2011 Quality and Resource Use Reports](#)

Descriptions, numerators, and denominators of the 28 claims-based quality measures, reported in the current QRUR for individual physicians in nine states are included in this document.

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[Measure Specifications and Drug List for “Use of High Risk Medications in the Elderly” Measure in the 2011 Individual Physician QRUR Reports](#)

This CMS-calculated administrative claims-based measure (NQF # 0022) has two rates: 1) Medicare beneficiaries $\geq$ age 65 who received at least one high-risk medication and 2) Medicare beneficiaries $\geq$ age 65 who received at least two high-risk medications. The denominator used to calculate each rate is limited to Medicare beneficiaries $\geq$ age 65 who had Medicare Part D drug coverage during the performance year. This document is a list of medications and dosages that support calculation of the numerator for both rates of this measure.

[Changes in the QRURs for Individual Physicians between Program Year 2010 and Program Year 2011](#)

This document provides an overview and enumerates changes in the format and content of the Individual QRUR between program year 2010 and program year 2011. Many changes are a result of feedback and suggestions that CMS received.

[2011 Individual QRURs – How PQRS Data Are Used](#)

In addition to displaying a physician’s own performance on PQRS quality measures, individual physician performance is compared to all PQRS incentive eligible professionals who submitted the same quality measure.

Physicians often have more than one PQRS quality score. When that is the case, the highest score, with the largest denominator (patients who received the recommended intervention)

is determined for each carrier under which the physician reported quality data. If PQRS data were submitted for the same physician under more than one carrier, CMS sums all numerators and all denominators for the same measure to compute an all-carrier performance rate.

Comparative rates, comprised of all PQRS individuals who reported a measure, are individually weighted by the number of each participant's beneficiaries who were eligible for the measure.

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