

CMS Hospice Public Reporting Key Dates for Providers

CMS encourages providers to be familiar with the important dates outlined in the table below. Providers will need to submit all Hospice Item Set (HIS) modification or inactivation records prior to the “freeze date” for the modifications to be reflected in the corresponding HIS Provider Preview Report and Hospice Compare refreshes.

***Note:** The “freeze date” always occurs before the HIS Provider Preview Report becomes available in your CASPER folder. Once your Preview Report is issued, it is too late to modify the underlying HIS data included in the report, which will be publicly posted during the corresponding Hospice Compare refresh. If a Hospice disagrees with their quality measure results (denominator or quality metric) contained within their HIS Provider Preview Report, they will have an opportunity to request review of the calculations by CMS. Please see the [HIS Preview Report and Requests for CMS Review of HIS Data](#) tab for more information.

Hospice Compare Refresh Date	February 2018	May 2018	August 2018	November 2018
Hospice Compare Refresh Reflects Patient Stays Discharged for Quarters (HIS)	Quarter 2 2016– Quarter 1 2017	Quarter 3 2016– Quarter 2 2017	Quarter 4 2016– Quarter 3 2017	Quarter 1 2017– Quarter 4 2017
CAHPS Quarters included in the refresh (Dates refer to patients’ dates of death)	Quarter 2, 2015– Quarter 1, 2017	Quarter 3, 2015– Quarter 2, 2017	Quarter 4, 2015– Quarter 3, 2017	Quarter 1, 2016– Quarter 4, 2017
HIS Data Freeze Date <i>Hospice Providers to submit HIS Modification and Inactivation Records by this date to be reflected in the next Hospice Provider Preview Reports Hospice Compare Refresh (HIS records to be submitted and accepted into the QIES ASAP system by 11:59:59 p.m. E.T.)</i>	11/15/2017	2/15/2018	5/15/2018	8/15/2018
HIS and CAHPS Provider Preview Reports Available in CASPER Folder	12/01/2017	03/01/2018	06/01/2018	09/04/2018
30-Day HIS and CAHPS Provider Preview Period <i>Requests for CMS review of HIS or CAHPS data must be submitted by 11:59:59 p.m. E.T. on day 30 of the preview period</i>	12/01/2017– 12/30/2017	03/01/2018– 03/30/2018	06/01/2018– 06/30/2018	09/04/2018– 10/04/2018