

## Fact Sheet: Hospice Quality Reporting Program (HQRP) Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Requirements

The purpose of this Fact Sheet is to help hospices understand the requirements for FY 2015 reporting and what they should currently be doing to prepare.

### Who is required to report for the FY 2015 Payment Update?

- **All hospices that are Medicare-certified and have received their CCN** (CMS Certification Number, also known as the Medicare Provider Number) by March 3, 2014 are required to report quality data as part of the HQRP.

### Reporting Activities and Requirements Impacting FY 2015 Annual Payment Update (APU):

Data Collection	Data Submission	Payment Impact
January – December 2013  Required Measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Structural Measure</li><li>• NQF #0209 Pain Measure</li></ul>	January – April 2014  Deadline to report data for required measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• April 1 for both the structural measure and the NQF #0209 Pain Measure</li></ul>	APU for 2015

### Requirements Impacting FY 2015 APU: Data Collection and Data Submission

For Payment Year 2015 reporting, providers will be **required to submit data for two measures to CMS by April 1, 2014:**

1. The structural measure – providers will answer one yes/no question regarding their QAPI Program to fulfill reporting requirements for this measure. **Answering the single yes/no question fulfills requirements for this measure;** no other data or performance scores will be submitted.
  - Data Collection: hospices need to keep documentation of the Quality Indicators (QIs) that they use in their Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) programs. Providers do not need to collect/submit any patient- or facility-level QI/QAPI data as part of the structural measure.
  - Data Submission: providers must submit their answer to the structural measure question by April 1, 2014 to comply with requirements
2. The NQF #0209 Pain Measure – providers will collect patient-level data and submit facility-level data to CMS.
  - Data Collection: providers should **collect NQF #0209 pain measure data on all admissions 1/1/13 – 12/26/13** to comply with reporting requirements.
  - Data Submission: Providers will aggregate their calendar year 2013 data and submit their NQF #0209 data by April 1, 2014 to comply with reporting requirements for this measure. NQF #0209 data for all of 2013 will be reported once in 2014; **there will be no quarterly reporting** for FY 2015.

### Requirements Impacting FY 2015 APU: Payment Impact

The HQRP is currently “pay for reporting”; it is the act of submitting data that determines compliance with HQRP reporting requirements. Level of **performance is not a factor in determining compliance;** all Medicare-certified hospice providers should submit data, regardless of their performance level on the two quality measures. Providers must submit data for both measures by April 1, 2014 in order to avoid a 2 percentage point reduction in their Annual Payment Update (APU) for FY 2015.

### Requirements Impacting FY 2015 APU: Training and Preparation

Providers should visit the [CMS HQRP website](#) regularly to receive updates about trainings, User Guides, and general announcements about the Hospice Quality Reporting Program.

- **CMS will make available training materials** to help providers prepare for FY2015 reporting. These materials will include data collection training materials and a data submission training materials. Further details will be announced on the [CMS HQRP website](#).
- **CMS will also make available 2 User Guides** for FY 2015 reporting – a data collection User Guide and a data submission User Guide. Further details will be announced on the [CMS HQRP website](#).