If you reported any of the following 2015 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) measures as an Individual Eligible Clinician using the designated reporting mechanism indicated below, your performance scores may be publicly reported on your Physician Compare profile page in late 2016. The 2015 PQRS measures targeted for public reporting are organized under the following categories:

- ✓ Preventive care: General health
- ✓ Preventive care: Cancer screening
- ✓ Patient safety
- ✓ Care planning
- ✓ Referral and follow up
- ✓ Diabetes
- ✓ Cancer
- ✓ Heart disease

- ✓ Kidney disease
- ✓ Respiratory diseases
- ✓ Stroke
- ✓ Behavioral health
- ✓ Ear and sinus care
- ✓ Eye care
- ✓ Orthopedics
- ✓ Immunology and communicable diseases

Starting on October 12, 2016, clinicians will be able to preview their performance scores as they will appear on Physician Compare for 30 days. The secured measure preview will be facilitated through the PQRS portal—Provider Quality Information Portal (PQIP). For more information on previewing your performance scores, visit the Physician Compare Initiative page.



	Preventive care: General health			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
48	Evaluating loss of bladder control in older women.	Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	Registry	
50	Care plan for older women with loss of bladder control.	Urinary Incontinence: Plan of Care for Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	Claims	
110	Getting a flu shot during flu season.	Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization	Claims	
111	Making sure older adults have gotten a pneumonia vaccine.	Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults	Claims	
128	Screening for an unhealthy body weight and developing a follow-up plan.	Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow- Up Plan	Claims	
131	Screening for pain and developing a follow-up plan.	Pain Assessment and Follow-Up	Claims	
181	Screening for mistreatment of older patients and developing a follow-up plan.	Elder Maltreatment Screen and Follow- Up Plan	Claims	
317	Screening for high blood pressure and developing a follow-up plan.	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented	Claims	



Preventive care: Cancer screening			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism
112	Screening for breast cancer.	Breast Cancer Screening	Claims
113	Screening for colorectal (colon or rectum) cancer.	Colorectal Cancer Screening	Claims
146	Categorizing X-ray images in breast cancer screening.	Radiology: Inappropriate Use of "Probably Benign" Assessment Category in Mammography Screening	Claims
185	Appropriate follow-up colonoscopy screening for patients with noncancerous growths in the colon.	Colonoscopy Interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use	Claims
225	Follow-up appointment scheduled for patients screened for breast cancer.	Radiology: Reminder System for Screening Mammograms	Claims
249	Checking biopsies for dysplasia.	Barrett's Esophagus	Claims
320	Appropriate follow-up colonoscopy screening for colorectal (colon or rectal) cancer.	Appropriate Follow-Up Interval for Normal Colonoscopy in Average Risk Patients	Claims
343	Finding noncancerous growths or colorectal cancer during colonoscopy screenings for colorectal (colon or rectal) cancer.	Screening Colonoscopy Adenoma Detection Rate Measure	Registry



	Patient safety			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
21	Giving preventive antibiotics to surgical patients.	Perioperative Care: Selection of Prophylactic Antibiotic – First OR Second Generation Cephalosporin	Claims	
22	Stopping preventive antibiotics 24 hours after non-cardiac surgeries.	Perioperative Care: Discontinuation of Prophylactic Parenteral Antibiotics (Non-Cardiac Procedures)	Claims	
23	Using preventive treatment for blood clots around the time of surgery.	Perioperative Care: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis (When Indicated in ALL Patients)	Claims	
46.2	Comparing new and old medicines.	Medication Reconciliation	Claims	
76	Hygienic insertion of a central line.	Prevention of Central Venous Catheter (CVC)-Related Bloodstream Infections	Claims	
130	Recording current medicines.	Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record	Claims	
145	Documenting radiation exposure time for procedures using fluoroscopy.	Radiology: Exposure Time Reported for Procedures Using Fluoroscopy	Claims	
154	Screening older patients with a history of falls for their risk of falling.	Falls: Risk Assessment	Claims	
155	Developing a plan of care for older patients who have a history of falling.	Falls: Plan of Care	Claims	
193	Managing body temperature around the time of anesthesia.	Perioperative Temperature Management	Claims	

Care planning			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism
47	Older patients who have an advanced care plan or someone to help make medical decisions for them when they can't.	Care Plan	Registry
358	Talking to patients before surgery about risks.	Patient-Centered Surgical Risk Assessment and Communication	Registry

	Referral and follow up			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
265	Communicating biopsy results to patients and their primary care clinicians.	Biopsy Follow-Up	Registry	



	Diabetes			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
19	Communicating eye exam results to other clinicians for patients with vision loss due to diabetes.	Diabetic Retinopathy: Communication with the Physician Managing Ongoing Diabetes Care	Claims	
117	Eye exam for patients with diabetes.	Diabetes: Eye Exam	Claims	
119	Giving patients with diabetes a kidney exam.	Diabetes: Medical Attention for Nephropathy	Claims	
126	Screening the foot and ankle for pain, weakness, and numbness in patients with diabetes.	Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Peripheral Neuropathy – Neurological Evaluation	Registry	
127	Checking the shoes of patients with diabetes.	Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Ulcer Prevention – Evaluation of Footwear	Registry	
163	Foot exam for patients with diabetes.	Diabetes: Foot Exam	Claims	

	Cancer			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
71	Using hormonal therapy in women with breast cancer.	Breast Cancer: Hormonal Therapy for Stage IC -IIIC Estrogen Receptor/Progesterone Receptor (ER/PR) Positive Breast Cancer	Registry	
102	Avoiding overuse of bone scans for patients with low-risk prostate cancer.	Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients	Registry	
137	Following-up with patients with melanoma skin cancer.	Melanoma: Continuity of Care – Recall System	Registry	
138	Coordination of care for patients with melanoma.	Melanoma: Coordination of Care	Registry	
143	Measuring pain in patients receiving chemotherapy or radiation therapy.	Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Pain Intensity Quantified	Registry	
144	Developing a plan to control pain for patients getting cancer treatment.	Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Plan of Care for Pain	Registry	
147	Reviewing images for patients undergoing nuclear medicine bone scans.	Nuclear Medicine: Correlation with Existing Imaging Studies for All Patients Undergoing Bone Scintigraphy	Claims	
156	Documenting radiation dose limits in patients with pancreatic or lung cancer.	Oncology: Radiation Dose Limits to Normal Tissues	Registry	
194	Documenting cancer stages for patients with cancer.	Oncology: Cancer Stage Documented	Registry	
397	Documenting ulcerations and tumor thickness of patients with skin cancer.	Melanoma Reporting	Registry	



	Heart disease			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
44	Patients who got a beta-blocker before coronary artery bypass graft surgery.	Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Preoperative Beta-Blocker in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery	Claims	
54	Performing electrocardiograms for emergency department patients with chest pain.	Emergency Medicine: 12-Lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) Performed for Non-Traumatic Chest Pain	Registry	
326	Giving anticoagulant blood thinners to patients with abnormal heart beats to prevent blood clots.	Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter: Chronic Anticoagulation Therapy	Registry	

Kidney disease			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical Measure Title	Reporting Mechanism
121	Lipid profiles for patients with chronic kidney disease.	Adult Kidney Disease: Laboratory Testing (Lipid Profile)	Registry
122.3	Controlling blood pressure in patients with chronic kidney disease.	Adult Kidney Disease: Blood Pressure Management	Registry
172	Using the autogenous arterial venous fistula method for hemodialysis.	Hemodialysis Vascular Access Decision- Making by Surgeon to Maximize Placement of Autogenous Arterial Venous (AV) Fistula	Claims

	Respiratory diseases			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
51	Spirometry evaluations in patients with COPD.	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Spirometry Evaluation	Registry	
52	Giving recommended treatment to patients with COPD.	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Inhaled Bronchodilator Therapy	Claims	



	Stroke			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
32	Giving blood thinners to patients who have a history of stroke and irregular heartbeat.	Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy	Registry	
33	Giving anticoagulant blood thinners to patients who have a history of stroke and irregular heartbeat.	Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Anticoagulant Therapy Prescribed for Atrial Fibrillation (AF) at Discharge	Registry	
187	Immediate treatment of ischemic stroke using IV therapy to break up blood clots.	Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Thrombolytic Therapy	Registry	
195	Accurate measurement of carotid artery narrowing.	Radiology: Stenosis Measurement in Carotid Imaging Reports	Claims	
346	Preventing stroke or death in patients who have carotid endarterectomy surgery.	Rate of Postoperative Stroke or Death in Asymptomatic Patients undergoing Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA)	Registry	

	Behavioral health			
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism	
134	Screening for depression and developing a follow-up plan.	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan	Registry	
173	Screening for unhealthy alcohol use.	Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use – Screening	Registry	
226	Screening for tobacco use and providing help quitting when needed.	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention	Claims	
325	Communicating with other clinicians involved in the care of patients with depression and a chronic condition.	Adult Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Coordination of Care of Patients with Specific Comorbid Conditions	Registry	
383	Appropriate long-term use of medicine in patients with schizophrenia.	Adherence to Antipsychotic Medications for Individuals with Schizophrenia	Registry	
391.1	Follow-up appointment within a month after hospitalization due to a mental health condition.	Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH)	Registry	
391.2	Follow-up appointment within a week after hospitalization due to a mental health condition.	Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH)	Registry	



Ear and sinus care					
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism		
91	Prescribing topical medicine for outer ear infections.	Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Topical Therapy	Registry		
93	Limiting antimicrobial medicine use in patients with ear infections.	Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Systemic Antimicrobial Therapy – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use	Claims		
261	Referring patients who are dizzy to a clinician who can give them an ear evaluation.	Referral for Otologic Evaluation for Patients with Acute or Chronic Dizziness	Claims		
331	Appropriate use of antibiotics for patients with a sinus infection.	Adult Sinusitis: Antibiotic Prescribed for Acute Sinusitis (Appropriate Use)	Registry		
333	Diagnosing sinus infections without a CT scan.	Adult Sinusitis: Computerized Tomography for Acute Sinusitis (Overuse)	Registry		

Eye care					
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism		
12	Optic nerve evaluations on patients with primary open-angle glaucoma.	Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Optic Nerve Evaluation	Claims		
14	Dilated eye exams on patients with age-related macular degeneration.	Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD): Dilated Macular Examination	Claims		
140	Counseling patients with age-related macular degeneration on taking an antioxidant.	Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD): Counseling on Antioxidant Supplement	Claims		
141	Treating patients with primary open-angle glaucoma.	Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Reduction of Intraocular Pressure (IOP) by 15% OR Documentation of a Plan of Care	Claims		
191	Improvement in visual clarity after cataract surgery.	Cataracts: 20/40 or Better Visual Acuity within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery	Registry		
303	Improvement in visual function after cataract surgery.	Cataracts: Improvement in Patient's Visual Function within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery	Registry		
304	Patient satisfaction with cataract surgery.	Cataracts: Patient Satisfaction within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery	Registry		
389	Refraction after cataract surgery.	Cataract Surgery: Difference Between Planned and Final Refraction	Registry		



Orthopedics					
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism		
24	Osteoporosis care coordination for older women with hip, spine, or wrist fractures.	Osteoporosis: Communication with the Physician Managing On-going Care Post- Fracture of Hip, Spine or Distal Radius for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older	Registry		
39	Screening for osteoporosis in older women.	Screening or Therapy for Osteoporosis for Women Aged 65 Years and Older	Claims		
40	Giving patients who fracture their hip, spine, or wrist an X-ray or medicine that treats osteoporosis.	Osteoporosis: Management Following Fracture of Hip, Spine or Distal Radius for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older	Registry		
109	Checking functional and pain status in patients with osteoarthritis.	Osteoarthritis (OA): Function and Pain Assessment	Claims		
182	Checking functional status and developing a follow up plan.	Functional Outcome Assessment	Claims		
218	Checking functional status after hip treatment.	Functional Deficit: Change in Risk- Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Hip Impairments	Registry		
219	Checking functional status in patients getting treated for lower leg, foot, or ankle injuries.	Functional Deficit: Change in Risk- Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Lower Leg, Foot or Ankle Impairments	Registry		
223	Checking functional status of patients getting treated for neck, head, jaw, upper back, middle back, or other general orthopedic injuries.	Functional Deficit: Change in Risk- Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Neck, Cranium, Mandible, Thoracic Spine, Ribs, or Other General Orthopedic Impairments	Registry		



Immunology and communicable diseases					
PQRS measure number	Plain language measure title	Technical measure title	Reporting mechanism		
178	Checking functional status of patients with rheumatoid arthritis.	Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Functional Status Assessment	Registry		
337	Preventing tuberculosis in patients with weakened immune systems.	Tuberculosis Prevention for Psoriasis, Psoriatic Arthritis and Rheumatoid Arthritis Patients on a Biological Immune Response Modifier	Registry		
390	Discussion and shared decision making for patients with hepatitis C.	Discussion and Shared Decision Making Surrounding Treatment Options	Registry		
400	Screening patients at risk for hepatitis C.	Hepatitis C: One-Time Screening for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) for Patients at Risk	Registry		

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