

Physician Compare PY 2016 Group Downloadable Database Measures Available for Preview

Overview

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) provides [official datasets](#) for the Medicare.gov [Physician Compare website](#) to give you useful information about groups, physicians, and other clinicians currently enrolled in Medicare and what they're doing to improve the care they provide.

Below is a list of the 2016 [Physician Quality Reporting System \(PQRS\) group-level measures](#) targeted for public reporting in the [Physician Compare Downloadable Database](#). The Downloadable Database will include the performance information finalized in the 2016 Physician Fee Schedule final rule (80 FR 71124 – 80 FR 71125).

A subset of group-level PQRS measures will be reported as star ratings on Physician Compare profile pages in late 2017 (indicated below with checkmarks) per the 2016 Physician Fee Schedule final rule (80 FR 71126 – 80 FR 71129). The star ratings, benchmarks, and percent performance scores for these measures will also be included in the Downloadable Database. All other group-level PQRS measures will be publicly reported in the Downloadable Database as a percent performance score.

In addition, [patient survey scores](#) for the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) for PQRS summary survey measures are also targeted for public reporting in the Downloadable Database and on group profile pages per the 2016 Physician Fee Schedule final rule (80 FR 71129). CAHPS for PQRS measures will be reported as top-box scores on profile pages and in the Downloadable Database. You can confirm your top-box scores are accurate by comparing the information you preview with the top-box score table available in your CAHPS for PQRS report. There is a table in the report that displays your scores as they will appear on Physician Compare.

Starting on October 18, 2017, groups will be able to preview their performance information as it 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 group's performance scores, visit the [Physician Compare Initiative page](#) and download the Guide to Preview Period.

PQRS Measures

PQRS measure number	Measure title	On PC	Reporting mechanism
6	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Antiplatelet Therapy	✓	Registry
21	Perioperative Care: Selection of Prophylactic Antibiotic - First OR Second Generation Cephalosporin		Registry
22	Perioperative Care: Discontinuation of Prophylactic Parenteral Antibiotics (Non-Cardiac Procedures)		Registry
23	Perioperative Care: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis (When Indicated in ALL Patients)		Registry
39	Screening for Osteoporosis for Women Aged 65-85 Years of Age		Registry
44	Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Preoperative Beta-Blocker in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery		Registry
46.3	Medication Reconciliation Post-Discharge		Registry
47	Care Plan	✓	Registry
48	Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older	✓	Registry
51	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Spirometry Evaluation	✓	Registry
53.2	Asthma: Pharmacologic Therapy for Persistent Asthma - Ambulatory Care Setting		Registry
54	Emergency Medicine: 12-Lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) Performed for Non-Traumatic Chest Pain		Registry
71	Breast Cancer: Hormonal Therapy for Stage IC - IIIC Estrogen Receptor/Progesterone Receptor (ER/PR) Positive Breast Cancer		Registry
76	Prevention of Central Venous Catheter (CVC)-Related Bloodstream Infections		Registry
93	Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Systemic Antimicrobial Therapy - Avoidance of Inappropriate Use		Registry
109	Osteoarthritis (OA): Function and Pain Assessment		Registry
110	Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization	✓	Web Interface
111	Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults	✓	Web Interface
113	Colorectal Cancer Screening	✓	Web Interface
116	Antibiotic Treatment for Adults with Acute Bronchitis: Avoidance of Inappropriate Use		Registry
117	Diabetes: Eye Exam	✓	Web Interface
118	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy - Diabetes or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF < 40%)		Web Interface
121	Adult Kidney Disease: Laboratory Testing (Lipid Profile)		Registry
128	Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan	✓	Web Interface
130	Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record		Web Interface
131	Pain Assessment and Follow-Up		Registry
134	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan	✓	Web Interface

PQRS measure number	Measure title	On PC	Reporting mechanism
137	Melanoma: Continuity of Care - Recall System		Registry
138	Melanoma: Coordination of Care		Registry
145	Radiology: Exposure Time Reported for Procedures Using Fluoroscopy		Registry
146	Radiology: Inappropriate Use of "Probably Benign" Assessment Category in Mammography Screening		Registry
147	Nuclear Medicine: Correlation with Existing Imaging Studies for All Patients Undergoing Bone Scintigraphy		Registry
154	Falls: Risk Assessment		Registry
155	Falls: Plan of Care		Registry
181	Elder Maltreatment Screen and Follow-Up Plan		Registry
182	Functional Outcome Assessment		Registry
195	Radiology: Stenosis Measurement in Carotid Imaging Reports		Registry
204	Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or Another Antithrombotic		Web Interface
224	Melanoma: Overutilization of Imaging Studies in Melanoma		Registry
225	Radiology: Reminder System for Screening Mammograms		Registry
226	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention	✓	Registry
238.1	Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly	✓	Registry
265	Biopsy Follow-Up		Registry
317	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented		Web Interface
318	Falls: Screening for Fall Risk	✓	Web Interface
322	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Preoperative Evaluation in Low Risk Surgery Patients		Registry
323	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Routine Testing After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI)		Registry
324	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Testing in Asymptomatic, Low-Risk Patients		Registry
326	Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter: Chronic Anticoagulation Therapy		Registry
331	Adult Sinusitis: Antibiotic Prescribed for Acute Sinusitis (Overuse)		Registry
332	Adult Sinusitis: Appropriate Choice of Antibiotic: Amoxicillin With or Without Clavulanate Prescribed for Patients with Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (Appropriate Use)		Registry
337	Tuberculosis Prevention for Psoriasis, Psoriatic Arthritis and Rheumatoid Arthritis Patients on a Biological Immune Response Modifier		Registry
358	Patient-Centered Surgical Risk Assessment and Communication		Registry
395	Lung Cancer Reporting (Biopsy/Cytology Specimens)		Registry
397	Melanoma Reporting		Registry
400	One-Time Screening for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) for Patients at Risk		Registry
405	Appropriate Follow-up Imaging for Incidental Abdominal Lesions		Registry
408	Opioid Therapy Follow-up Evaluation		Registry
412	Documentation of Signed Opioid Treatment Agreement	✓	Registry
424	Perioperative Temperature Management		Registry

PQRS measure number	Measure title	On PC	Reporting mechanism
426	Post-Anesthetic Transfer of Care Measure: Procedure Room to a Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU)		Registry
427	Post-Anesthetic Transfer of Care: Use of Checklist or Protocol for Direct Transfer of Care from Procedure Room to Intensive Care Unit (ICU)		Registry
430	Prevention of Post-Operative Nausea and Vomiting (PONV) - Combination Therapy		Registry
431	Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use: Screening & Brief Counseling		Registry
436	Radiation Consideration for Adult CT: Utilization of Dose Lowering Techniques		Registry
438	Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease	✓	Web Interface

CAHPS for PQRS Summary Survey Measures

Patient survey scores	
321*	<p>CAHPS for PQRS summary survey measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Getting timely care, appointments, and information. How well providers communicate. Patient’s rating of provider. Health promotion and education. Courteous and helpful office staff. Care coordination. Between visit communication. Stewardship of patient resources.

*Collected via Certified Survey Vendor.

Questions or feedback? Contact us at PhysicianCompare@Westat.com.