Physician Compare Public Reporting Plan

The Physician Compare public reporting plan was finalized in the 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) Final Rules. Any measure finalized as “available for public reporting” in the PFS final rule may be included on Physician Compare. However, only those measures that are statistically comparable, valid, and reliable and that meet the established public reporting criteria, including a minimum sample size of 20 patients, will be published on the site. All measures submitted, reviewed, and deemed valid and reliable will be publicly reported via a downloadable database on data.medicare.gov. Only those measures that are deemed most useful and best understood by consumers will be included on Physician Compare profile pages. Group practices and individual eligible professionals will be given a 30-day preview period to view their measures as they will appear on Physician Compare prior to measures publication. ACOs will be able to view their quality data that will be publicly reported on Physician Compare through the ACO Quality Reports, which will be made available to ACOs for review at least 30 days prior to the start of public reporting on Physician Compare.

Questions or feedback? Email the Physician Compare team at PhysicianCompare@Westat.com.

Group Practice Measures

Group practice measures publicly reported in 2014

- A sub-set of 2012 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) Group Reporting Option (GPRO) measures collected via the Web Interface were published for 66 group practices in February 2014.
  - 4 Diabetes Mellitus (DM) and 1 Coronary Artery Disease (CAD) Web Interface measures were publicly reported.
    - Diabetes: High Blood Pressure Control
    - Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Control (<8%)
    - Diabetes: Daily Aspirin or Antiplatelet Medication Use for Patients with Diabetes and Ischemic Vascular Disease
    - Diabetes: Tobacco Non-Use
    - Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): ACE-I/ARB Therapy – Diabetes or LVSD
- A sub-set of 2013 PQRS GPRO measures collected via the Web Interface were published for 139 group practices in December 2014.
  - Three DM and one CAD Web Interface measures were publicly reported.
    - Diabetes: High Blood Pressure Control
    - Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Control (<8%)
    - Diabetes: Daily Aspirin or Antiplatelet Medication Use for Patients with Diabetes and Ischemic Vascular Disease
    - Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): ACE-I/ARB Therapy – Diabetes or LVSD
Group practice measures available for public reporting in late 2015

- All 2014 PQRS GPRO measures collected via the Web Interface for group practices of 25 or more EPs.
- A sub-set of 2014 PQRS GPRO measures collected via registry or EHR for groups of 2 or more EPs.
  - 16 possible registry measures.
  - 13 possible EHR measures.
  - Required for group practices of 100 or more EPs.
  - Optional for group practices of 25-99 EPs reporting via a certified CAHPS vendor.
  - 12 available summary survey measures.
    - Getting timely care, appointments, and information
    - How well providers Communicate
    - Patient’s Rating of Provider
    - Access to Specialist;
    - Health Promotion & Education
    - Shared Decision Making
    - Health Status/Functional Status
    - Courteous and Helpful Office Staff
    - Care Coordination
    - Between Visit Communication
    - Helping Your to Take Medication as Directed
    - Stewardship of Patient Resources

Group practice measures available for public reporting in late 2016

- All 2015 PQRS GPRO measures collected via any reporting mechanism for groups of 2 or more EPs.
- Twelve 2015 CAHPS for PQRS summary survey measures.
  - Required for group practices of 100 or more EPs.
  - Optional for group practices of 2-99 EPs reporting via a certified CAHPS vendor.
  - 12 available summary survey measures are the same as 2014.
Individual Eligible Professional Measures

Individual measures available for public reporting in late 2015

- A sub-set of 2014 PQRS individual EP measures collected via registry, EHR, or claims.
  - 20 measures are available for public reporting and align with the group-level measures available for reporting via the Web Interface.
- Individual EP measures from the 2014 PQRS Cardiovascular Prevention measures group in support of Million Hearts.

Individual measures available for public reporting in late 2016

- All 2015 PQRS individual EP measures collected via registry, EHR, or claims.
- All 2015 Clinical Qualified Data Registry (QCDR) measures.
  - Includes both PQRS and non-PQRS measures.
  - First year measures will not be reported.
- 4 individual EP 2015 PQRS measures in support of Million Hearts.
  - Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or Another Antithrombotic
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use
  - Controlling High Blood Pressure
  - Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented

Accountable Care Organization (ACO) Measures

ACO measures publicly reported in 2014

- A sub-set of 2012 Accountable Care Organizations (ACO) measures were published for 141 Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program) and Pioneer ACOs in February 2014.
  - 4 Diabetes Mellitus (DM) and 1 Coronary Artery Disease (CAD) Web Interface measures were publicly reported.
    - Diabetes: High Blood Pressure Control
    - Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1C Control (<8%)
    - Diabetes: Daily Aspirin or Antiplatelet Medication Use for Patients with Diabetes and Ischemic Vascular Disease
    - Diabetes: Tobacco Non-Use
    - Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): ACE-I/ARB Therapy – Diabetes or LVSD
ACO measures published in **December 2014**

- A sub-set of 2013 ACO measures were published for 214 Shared Savings Program and 23 Pioneer ACOs in **December 2014**.
  - 3 DM and 1 CAD Web Interface measures were publicly reported.
    - Diabetes: High Blood Pressure Control
    - Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Control (<8%)
    - Diabetes: Daily Aspirin or Antiplatelet Medication Use for Patients with Diabetes and Ischemic Vascular Disease
    - Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): ACE-I/ARB Therapy – Diabetes or LVSD
  - 4 CAHPS for ACOs summary survey measures were publicly reported.
    - Getting timely care, appointments, and information
    - How well providers Communicate
    - Patient’s Rating of Provider
    - Health Promotion & Education

ACO measures available for public reporting in **late 2015**

- All 2014 Shared Savings Program and Pioneer ACO quality measure data.
  - 33 ACO measures across 4 domains.
    - Patient/caregiver experience (7 measures)
    - Care coordination/patient safety (6 measures)
    - At-risk population (5 measures and 2 composites)
      - Diabetes (1 measure and 1 composite)
      - Hypertension (1 measure)
      - Ischemic Vascular Disease (2 measures)
      - Heart Failure (1 measure)
      - Coronary Artery Disease (1 composite)
    - Preventive Care (8 measures)

ACO measures available for public reporting in **late 2016**

- All 2015 Shared Savings Program and Pioneer ACO quality measure data.
  - 33 ACO measures across 4 domains.
    - Patient/caregiver experience (8 measures)
    - Care coordination/patient safety (10 measures)
    - At-risk population (5 measures and 1 composite)
      - Diabetes (1 composite measure)
      - Hypertension (1 measure)
      - Ischemic Vascular Disease (1 measure)
      - Heart Failure (1 measure)
      - Coronary Artery Disease (1 measure)
      - Depression (1 measure)
    - Preventive Care (8 measures)