August 22, 2024

Attention SNF Providers - New SNF Preview Reports - Now Available

CMS originally released the October 2024 SNF Preview Reports on July 15, 2024, with a preview period that continued through August 14, 2024. We recently discovered that a technical glitch prevented the posting of SNF Preview Reports for Swing Bed providers. Because of this, CMS has decided to allow a second preview period for all SNF providers. The technical issue has been corrected and the October 2024 SNF Preview Reports are now available for all providers. These reports contain provider performance scores for quality measures, which will be published on the compare tool on Medicare.gov and Provider Data Catalog (PDC) during the October 2024 refresh.

Additionally, the Preview Reports have been updated to account for measure additions and removals that will be implemented during the **October 2024 refresh**. The new assessment-based measure added to the Preview Reports is: Discharge Function Score. The three assessment-based measures removed from the Preview Reports are: (1) Application of Percent of Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Patients With an Admission and Discharge Functional Assessment and a Care Plan That Addresses Function, (2) SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Change in Self-Care Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents, and (3) SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Change in Mobility Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents. Historic publicly reported data for the removed measures will continue to be available on the <u>nursing homes including rehab services archived data snapshots</u> webpage.

The data contained within the Preview Reports are based on quality assessment data submitted by SNFs from **Quarter 1, 2023 through Quarter 4, 2023.**Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) measures reflect data from **Quarter 4, 2023 through Quarter 1, 2024** for the Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel measure, and **Quarter 4, 2023** for the COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) measure. The data for the claims-based measures have been updated for the October 2024 refresh and will display data from **Quarter 4, 2021 through Quarter 3, 2023**, and

for the SNF Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) measure, from **Quarter 4, 2022 through Quarter 3, 2023**.

Providers have until <u>September 23, 2024</u>, to review their performance data. Only updates/corrections to the underlying assessment data before the final data submission deadline will be reflected in the publicly reported data on Medicare.gov. If a provider updates assessment data after the final data submission deadline, the updated data will only be reflected in the Facility-Level Quality Measure (QM) report and Patient-Level QM report. Updates submitted after the final data submission deadline will not be reflected in the Provider Preview Reports or on the compare tool on Medicare.gov. However, providers can request Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) review of their data during the preview period if they believe the quality measure scores that are displayed within their Preview Reports are inaccurate.

For those users experiencing issues locating their agency's SNF Provider Preview Report, follow the steps outlined below:

- Log into iQIES at https://iqies.cms.gov/ using your Health Care Quality Information Systems (HCQIS) Access Roles and Profile (HARP) user ID and password. (If you do not have a HARP account, you may register for a HARP ID.)
- 2. From the Reports menu, select My Reports.
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For questions related to accessing your facility's provider preview report, please reach out to the iQIES Service Center **by email at** iqies@cms.hhs.gov **or call 1-800-339-9313.** For questions about SNF Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Public Reporting, please email SNFQRPPRQuestions@cms.hhs.gov.

August 1, 2024

Public Reporting July Refresh of SNF QRP Data - Now Available

The **July 2024** refresh of the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) data is now available on the compare tool on <u>Medicare.gov</u> and <u>Provider Data Catalog (PDC)</u>.

The data are based on quality assessment data submitted by SNFs to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) from **Quarter 4, 2022 through Quarter 3, 2023.** Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) measure reflects data from **Quarter 3, 2023,** and for the Influenza Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) measure, **Quarter 4, 2022 through Quarter 1, 2023.** The data for the claims-based measures will display data from **Quarter 4, 2020 through Quarter 3, 2022,** and for the SNF Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Requiring Hospitalization measure, **Quarter 4, 2021 through Quarter 3, 2022.**

In summary, the following SNF QRP measures will be displayed on Medicare.gov and PDC during the **July 2024** refresh:

- Application of Percent of Residents Experiencing One or More Falls with Major Injury (Long Stay)
 - Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- Application of Percent of Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Patients with an Admission and Discharge Functional Assessment and a Care Plan that Addresses Function
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)

- Drug Regimen Review Conducted with Follow-Up for Identified Issues—PAC SNF ORP
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- Changes in Skin Integrity Post-Acute Care: Pressure Ulcer/Injury
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Change in Self-Care Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Change in Mobility Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Discharge Self-Care Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- SNF Functional Outcome Measure: Discharge Mobility Score for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents
 - o Q4 2022 Q3 2023 (10/1/2022 9/30/2023)
- Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary Post-Acute Care (PAC) SNF QRP
 - o Q4 2020 Q3 2022 (10/1/2020 9/30/2022)
- Discharge to Community PAC SNF QRP
 - o Q4 2020 Q3 2022 (10/1/2020 9/30/2022)
- Potentially Preventable 30-Day Post-Discharge Readmission Measure SNF QRP
 - o Q4 2020 Q3 2022 (10/1/2020 9/30/2022)
- SNF Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Requiring Hospitalization
 - o Q4 2021 Q3 2022 (10/1/2021 9/30/2022)
- National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP)
 - o Q3 2023 (7/1/2023 9/30/2023)
- National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Influenza Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP)
 - o Q4 2022 Q1 2023 (10/1/2022 3/31/2023)

Please visit the compare tool on <u>Medicare.gov</u> and <u>PDC</u> to view the updated quality data. **For questions about SNF QRP Public Reporting, please email** <u>SNFQRPPRQuestions@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

July 15, 2024

SNF Provider Preview Reports - Now Available

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