

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Spotlights and Announcements- Archive

February 05, 2026

Public Reporting January 2026 Refresh of SNF QRP Data – Now Available

The **January 2026** refresh of the SNF QRP data is now available on the compare tool on [Medicare.gov](#) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#).

For more information, please visit the [SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

February 3, 2026

Reminder of Upcoming Data Submission Deadline

The submission deadline for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data and data submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) for July 1 – Sept 30 (Q3) of calendar year (CY) 2025 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on February 17, 2026.

It is recommended that applicable Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Internet Quality Improvement and Evaluation System (iQIES) reports and NHSN analysis reports are run prior to each quarterly reporting deadline to ensure that all required data were submitted. We encourage you to verify all facility information prior to submission, including CMS Certification Number (CCN) and facility name.

View the list of measures required for the February 17, 2026 deadline on the [SNF Quality Reporting Program Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

For submission information, visit:

- [iQIES Reference & Manuals](#)
- [CMS Resources for NHSN Users](#)

Swingtech sends informational messages to SNFs that are not meeting the Annual Payment Update (APU) threshold on a quarterly basis ahead of each submission deadline. If you need to add or change the email addresses to which these messages are sent, please email QRPHelp@swingtech.com and be sure to include your facility name and CCN along with any requested email updates.

January 15, 2026

SNF Provider Preview Reports – Now Available

The SNF Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores for quality measures, which will be published on the compare tool on [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) and the [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#) during the **April 2026 refresh**.

For more information, please visit the [CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

November 20, 2025

Because of the lapse in federal appropriations, scheduled data refreshes and other routine updates were temporarily paused. With the resumption of government operations on November 13, these updates are being released.

Public Reporting October 2025 Refresh of SNF QRP Data – Now Available

The **October 2025** refresh of the SNF QRP data is now available on the compare tool on [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#).

For more information, please visit the [SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

November 19, 2025

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SNF Provider Preview Reports – Now Available

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For more information, please visit the [CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

November 14, 2025

Reminder of Upcoming Data Submission Deadline

The submission deadline for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data and data submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) via the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) for April 1 – June 30 (Q2) of calendar year (CY) 2025 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on November 17, 2025.

It is recommended that applicable Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Internet Quality Improvement and Evaluation System (iQIES) reports and NHSN analysis reports are run prior to each quarterly reporting deadline to ensure that all required data were submitted. We encourage you to verify all facility information prior to submission, including CMS Certification Number (CCN) and facility name.

View the list of measures required for the November 17, 2025 deadline on the [SNF Quality Reporting Program Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

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- [CMS Resources for NHSN Users](#)

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August 29, 2025

NOW AVAILABLE: Final MDS 3.0 RAI User's Manual version 1.20.1

The final *Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) User's Manual* version (v)1.20.1 is now available in the **Downloads** section on the [Minimum Data Set \(MDS\) 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument \(RAI\) Manual](#) webpage. The *MDS 3.0 RAI User's Manual* v1.20.1 will be effective beginning October 1, 2025.

August 15, 2025

UPDATED: Final MDS 3.0 Item Sets version 1.20.1v3

The final Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 Item Sets version (v)1.20.1v3 and Item Matrix v1.20.1v3 are now available in the **Downloads** section on the [Minimum Data Set \(MDS\) 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument \(RAI\) Manual](#) webpage. The MDS Item Sets v1.20.1v3 will be effective beginning October 1, 2025.

July 30, 2025

Public Reporting July 2025 Refresh of SNF QRP Data – Now Available

The **July 2025** refresh of the SNF QRP data is now available on the compare tool on [Medicare.gov](#) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#).

For more information, please visit the [SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

July 21, 2025

SNF Quality Reporting Program: Non-Compliance Notifications

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notifications to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and non-Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Swing Beds (SBs) that were determined to be out of compliance with SNF Quality Reporting Program (QRP) requirements for calendar year (CY) 2024 which will affect their fiscal year (FY) 2026 Annual Payment Update (APU). Non-compliance notifications will be distributed by the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) and will be placed into facilities' My Reports folders in the Internet Quality Improvement and Evaluation System (iQIES) on July 21, 2025. If you receive a letter of non-compliance may submit a request for reconsideration to CMS **via email no later than 11:59 pm, August 26, 2025**. If you receive a notice of non-compliance and would like to request a reconsideration, see the instructions in your notification letter and on the [SNF Quality Reporting Reconsideration and Exception & Extension](#) webpage.

Please note: Any reconsideration containing protected health information (PHI) will not be processed. All PHI must be removed for a reconsideration to be reviewed.

Additionally, all submissions must be less than 20 MB overall (email message and attachments). Submissions that are greater than 20 MB in size cannot be processed.

July 15, 2025

SNF Provider Preview Reports – Now Available

The SNF Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores for quality measures, which will be published on the compare tool on [Medicare.gov](#) and the [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#) during the **October 2025 release**.

For more information, please visit the [CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) webpage.

May 23, 2025

UPDATED: Draft MDS 3.0 Item Sets version 1.20.1v3-Section_R removed Now Available

The draft Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 Item Sets version (v)1.20.1v3-Section_R_removed and Item Matrix v1.20.1v3-Section_R_removed are now available in the **Downloads** section on the [Minimum Data Set \(MDS\) 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument \(RAI\) Manual](#) webpage. This version reflects the changes proposed in the FY 2026 SNF PPS proposed rule (90 FR 18590).

IMPORTANT NOTE: The final MDS Item Sets v1.20.1 will be effective beginning October 1, 2025 and will be either this draft v3 which does not include items R0310, R0320, and R0330 and replaces item R0340 with item A1255 or the previously posted 1.20.1v2. The FINAL MDS Item Sets v1.20.1 will be posted in late summer, depending on the decisions finalized in rulemaking.