

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

Updates

May 5, 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 Oct 1 – Dec 31 (Q4) of the calendar year (CY) 2025 are due with this submission deadline. **The annual NHSN Measure Influenza Vaccination among Healthcare Personnel is also due with this deadline.**

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on May 18, 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 have been 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 May 18, 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.

April 29, 2026

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

The **April 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](#) website.

April 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](#) and the [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#) during the **July 2026** refresh.

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

April 03, 2026

Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Updates to the Quality Reporting Program and Value-Based Purchasing Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (CMS-1843-P)

On April 03, 2026, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a proposed rule (CMS-1843-P) that provides updates to the fiscal year (FY) 2026 Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program (SNF QRP). In this proposed rule, CMS is proposing the removal of two COVID-19 measures, revising the data submission deadline, and requiring the submission of Minimum Data Set data on all SNF residents receiving covered skilled care in a SNF, regardless of payer.

The proposed rule went on display at the Federal Register and will be available at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection>

July 31, 2025

Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Updates to the Quality Reporting Program and Value-Based Purchasing Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (CMS-1827-F)

On July 31, 2025, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a final rule (CMS-1827-F) that provides updates to the fiscal year (FY) 2026 Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program (SNF QRP). In this final rule, CMS is finalizing the removal of four assessment items in the Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) category: one item for Living Situation, two items for Food, and one item for Utilities. CMS is also amending the SNF QRP reconsideration policy and process. Finally, CMS is summarizing feedback on

three Requests for Information (RFI) including future quality measure concepts for the SNF QRP; potential revisions to the data submission deadlines for assessment data collected for the SNF QRP; and advancing digital quality measurement in SNFs that were in the proposed rule.

The Finalized rule went on display at the Federal Register and will be available at:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection>

November 22, 2024

SUMMARY REPORT PUBLISHED: SNF QRP Listening Session: Possible Expansion of SNF Data Collection and Submission to All Residents Regardless of Payer

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has published a summary report on the virtual Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Listening Session that was held on October 1, 2024 by RTI International. This session was held to seek feedback from clinical staff, MDS coordinators, administration and management staff, and software vendors on the possible expansion of collection and submission of Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data used for the SNF QRP to include all residents receiving short-term skilled care in a SNF regardless of their payer. The report presents a summary of the presentation for each discussion topic, input from interested parties for each of the discussion questions, and key findings. The summary report also includes the feedback received via email in the 30 days following the event. The report can be found in the **Downloads** section on the [SNF QRP Measures and Technical Information](#) webpage.