

MCBS COMMUNITY SURVEY
2017 General Specifications

QUESTIONNAIRE FLOW

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1. SPECIFICATION COMPONENTS

Questionnaire

Refers to the entire set of questions administered to a respondent.

Section

Refers to a subset of questions in the Questionnaire. Groups of related questions in the Questionnaire are organized into sections. Each section has a full name and an abbreviation. For example, the Health Insurance Questionnaire Section, also referred to as HIQ, collects data about the beneficiary's health insurance plans. A section may be administered every round, only once a year, or only when the beneficiary is entering or exiting the study.

Baseline Interview

Refers to the first MCBS interview a beneficiary receives.

Core Components of the Questionnaire:

Introduction

INQ Introduction

Verifies beneficiary's name. In the Baseline interview, verifies/collects beneficiary's date of birth, marital status, and number of children. Verifies beneficiary's marital status every fall round. If the interview is being administered to a proxy, this section collects the respondent's relationship to the beneficiary.

Address Verification

AVQ Address Verification

Verifies beneficiary's home and mailing address.

In Fall 2017 Round 79, the collection of respondent contact information was migrated from several sections within the Community questionnaire to a new module in the case management system. As a result, the AVQ section was removed in Fall 2017.

Household

Collects information regarding who lives in the household with the beneficiary.

ENS Enumeration Summary

Reviews persons who lived in the household in the previous round and probes whether or not person still lives in the household in the current round. Also collects new current round household members. Collects job status of the beneficiary and household members.

Health Insurance

Collects information about plans that cover SP's medical expenses.

HIS Health Insurance Summary

Allows interviewer to add, delete, and update Health insurance plans collected in previous round.

The HIS section was removed from the Community questionnaire in Fall 2017 Round 79.

HIQ Health Insurance

Collects information about the beneficiary's Medicare, Medicaid, Tricare, Public and Private Health Insurance Plans.

Utilization

Collects dates for the beneficiary's doctor visits, Hospital stays, etc. Each visit is referred to as an "event". Also collects other types of medical events, such as prescribed medicines and other medical expenses.

The following sections collect events for a specific type of provider:

- DUQ Dental**
- ERQ Emergency Room**
- IPQ Inpatient Hospital Stays**
- OPQ Outpatient Department Visits**
- IUQ Institutionalization Stays**
- HHS Home Health Care Summary**
- HHQ Home Health Care**
- MPQ Medical Provider Visits***
- OMQ Other Medical Expenses***
- PMS Prescription Medicine Summary ***
- PMQ Prescription Medicines***

*** The placement of these sections was updated in Fall 2017 Round 79. As of Fall 2017, the PMQ is administered after the MPQ. The questionnaire then routes to the OMQ section. In Fall 2017, the PMS section was removed from the Community questionnaire.**

Cost Series

Collects information regarding medical statements and charges for doctor visits and other events:

STQ Statement Section.

Collects data directly from beneficiary's statements that they have received from Medicare or other health insurance plan.

PSQ Post Statement Section

Identifies if the beneficiary has incurred charges for any other medical expense (OME) Rent-to-Buy item. Response to questions in PSQ determine if event will be asked about in the No Statement (NSQ) Section.

NSQ No Statement Section.

Collects data from Respondent about the COSTs for a particular event when a Statement is not available.

CPS Cost Payment Summary Section.

Reviews STQ and NSQ data collected over past 2 rounds and updates/collects additional COST data not previously reported.

See details below regarding the when COST data is collected for events.

Summary Sections

Some of the sections above are referred to as a Summary Section. There are two types of summary sections.

1) A section that allows interviewer to add, delete or update data collected during the previous round interview. Data collected in these sections is written to previous round database records.

HIS Health Insurance Summary*

PMS Prescription Medicine Summary*

*The HIS and PMS sections were removed from the Community questionnaire in Fall 2017 Round 79.

2) A section that summarizes data collected in the previous round with the purpose of collecting additional current round data. Data collected in these sections is written to current round database records.

ENS Enumeration Summary

HHS Home Health Care Summary

CPS Cost Payment Summary

Health Status

Collects information about the beneficiary's health status and functioning.

HFQ Health Status and Functioning

Administered each Fall round to collect information about the beneficiary's general health status, ability to perform various physical activities, general health conditions, Instrumental Activities of Daily Living, and Activities of Daily Living.

Experiences with Care

Collects information about the beneficiary's experiences with care and satisfaction with care.

SCQ Satisfaction with Care

Administered each Fall round to elicit the beneficiary's opinion about the health care the beneficiary has received. The questions refer to medical care received from all medical providers, including both doctors and hospitals.

Starting in Fall 2017 Round 79, two other Experiences with Care sections, the Access to Care Questionnaire (ACQ) and the Usual Sources of Care Questionnaire (USQ), were migrated from the Fall round interview to the Winter round interview. Both sections will be fielded in the Winter round starting in Winter 2018 Round 80.

The ACQ collects information about certain types of medical encounters, including hospital emergency room, hospital clinic or outpatient department, long-term care facility, or medical doctor visits. The USQ obtains information about the usual source of health care for the beneficiary, that is the particular clinic, health center, doctor's office, or other places where the beneficiary usually goes when sick or in need of medical advice.

Socio-Demographics

Collects background information about the beneficiary, including demographic and income information.

DIQ Demographics/Income

Administered once during the Baseline interview to collect information about the beneficiary's background, including Hispanic origin, race, education, and income.

IAQ Income and Assets

Administered each Summer round to collect information about the beneficiary's income and other financial resources.

Closing

Collects beneficiary and proxy address information, contact and future proxy information. Includes final instructions to respondent about future interviews.

CLQ Closing

Collects/Verifies proxy, contact, future proxy name and address information. Collects future interview name and phone number. Includes final instructions to respondent regarding future interviews and general closing remarks.

In Fall 2017 Round 79, the collection of respondent contact information was migrated from several sections within the Community questionnaire to a new module in the case management system. As a result, the CLQ section was removed in Fall 2017.

EXQ Exit Closing

Is administered to respondent during the beneficiary's last interview in the study (exit cases). Includes general closing remarks.

Topical Sections

Refers to a special interest topic section. Typically, Topical Sections are administered once a year. However, a Topical Section may be administered in multiple rounds.

The following are examples of Topical Sections:

Fall Round

HAQ HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS
NAQ NICOTINE AND ALCOHOL USE

Winter Round

**KNQ BENEFICIARY KNOWLEDGE
AND INFORMATION NEEDS**

Summer Round

PAQ PATIENT ACTIVATION*
RXQ DRUG COVERAGE

Multiple Round Types

MBQ MOBILITY OF BENEFICIARIES
PVQ PREVENTIVE HEALTH

***While the PAQ was administered in Summer 2017 Round 78, it will be discontinued in the future.**

2. ORDER SECTIONS ARE ADMINISTERED

The table below summarizes the order of questionnaire sections and the type of case eligible for each questionnaire section based on interview type (MRES.INTTYPE) and sampled person's vital status. A summary of interview types is available below the table.

Component	Abbrev.	SECTION Listed in the order the section is administered.	Section Administered in What Round?	Who gets what section based on Interview Type and SP's Status.
Introduction	INQ	INTRODUCTION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10
Address Verification	AVQ	ADDRESS VERIFICATION * Can be called either after IN or before CL. *This section was removed in Fall 2017.	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 10 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased.
Household	ENS	ENUMERATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10
Topical Section	HAQ	HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	FALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased.
Health Ins	HIS	HEALTH INSURANCE SUMMARY *This section was removed in Fall 2017.	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 4, 7, 9, or 10
Health Ins	HIQ	HEALTH INSURANCE	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	DUQ	DENTAL UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	ERQ	EMERGENCY ROOM UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	IPQ	INPATIENT UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 *MRES.INTTYPE=8 only receive IP questions if ongoing IP visit from the previous round.
Utilization	OPQ	OUTPATIENT UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	IUQ	INSTITUTIONAL UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	HHS	HOME HEALTH SUMMARY	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 4, or 9
Utilization	HHQ	HOME HEALTH UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	MPQ	MEDICAL PROVIDER UTILIZATION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	PMS	PRESCRIBED MEDICINES *This section was removed in Fall 2017.	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 4, or 9
Utilization	PMQ	PRESCRIBED MEDICINES	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
Utilization	OMQ	OTHER MEDICAL EXPENSES	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
COST Series	STQ	STATEMENT COST SERIES	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
COST Series	PSQ	POST-STATEMENT COST	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10
COST Series	NSQ	NO STATEMENT COST SERIES	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10 (exclude MRES.INTTYPE=8)
COST Series	CPS	COST PAYMENT SUMMARY	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 4, 5, or 9
Topical Section	MBQ	MOBILITY OF BENEFICIARIES	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased.

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Topical Section	PVQ	PREVENTIVE CARE	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Health Status	HFQ	HEALTH STATUS AND FUNCTIONING	FALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Topical Section	NAQ	NICOTINE AND ALCOHOL USE	FALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Experiences with Care	SCQ	SATISFACTION WITH CARE	FALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Socio-Demographics	DIQ	DEMOGRAPHICS AND INCOME	FALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 3
Topical Section	KNQ	BENEFICIARY KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION NEEDS	WINTER	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, or 7 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Socio-Demographics	IAQ	INCOME AND ASSETS	SUMMER	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, or 10
Topical Section	PAQ	PATIENT ACTIVATION	SUMMER	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, or 10 and MRES.SPPROXY = 1/SP and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased.
Topical Section	RXQ	DRUG COVERAGE	SUMMER	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, or 10 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 2/AliveAndInstitute and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased
Closing	CLQ	CLOSING *This section was removed in Fall 2017.	ALL	(MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 10) or (MRES.INTTYPE = 8 or 9 and MRES.SPALIVE = 3/Deceased).
Closing	EXQ	CLOSING FOR EXIT INTERVIEW	SUMMER	MRES.INTTYPE = 8 or 9 and MRES.SPALIVE ^= 3/Deceased.
End	END	END SECTION	ALL	MRES.INTTYPE = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW TYPES:

MRES.INTTYPE=1/StandardHadPrev
 MRES.INTTYPE=2/NewFromFacility
 MRES.INTTYPE=3/NewFromSupplement
 MRES.INTTYPE=4/StandardSkippedPrev
 MRES.INTTYPE=5/LastRndFacSum
 MRES.INTTYPE=6/LastRndFacBase
 MRES.INTTYPE=7/SupSmp1stTimeUtil
 MRES.INTTYPE=8/ExitInterviewHadPrev
 MRES.INTTYPE=9/ExitInterviewSkipPre
 MRES.INTTYPE=10/SupSmp1stTimeUtilSkipped

VALID IN ROUNDS:

ALL
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 FALL ONLY
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 ALL
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 WINTER ONLY
 SUMMER ONLY
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