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Ambulatory Surgical Center Quality Reporting (ASCQR) Program News Blast

Sowing the Seeds of Success



Don't be caught off guard – plot your activities for a successful reporting season!

- **Plant ahead!** Prepare for the Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgical Center Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (OAS CAHPS) Survey measure completed via a CMS-approved vendor. **This survey-based measure will be mandatory for ASCs beginning with the calendar year 2025 reporting period.** ASCs will need to sign up with a vendor before the January 1, 2025, start date. For a list of approved vendors, visit the [OAS CAHPS website](#).
- **Sow the seeds of knowledge!** Ensure successful data collection by accessing the ASCQR Program Specifications Manual available on the [QualityNet website](#).
- **Harvest your data by the deadlines!**
 - Submit **voluntary** OAS CAHPS measure data via a CMS-approved vendor. The **Quarter (Q) 2 2024 (April 1-June 30) data are due by October 9, 2024.**
 - Submit COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel measure data via the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) system. The **Q2 2024 (April 1-June 30) data are due by November 15, 2024.**



Fall Tip: Add additional *Users* in the NHSN system to prevent the loss of access due to staff turnover. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's NHSN website has [directions for adding Users](#).

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