



PCHQR Program: End-of-Year Recap and Look Ahead

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

CAUTI	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection	HCP	healthcare personnel
CBM	claims-based measure	HQR	Hospital Quality Reporting
CDI	<i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection	MFT	Managed File Transfer
CLABSI	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	MRSA	Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	NHSN	National Healthcare Safety Network
CY	calendar year	OP	outpatient
ED	emergency department	PCH	Prospective Payment System-exempt Cancer Hospital
EOL	End of Life	PCHQR	Prospective Payment System-exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting
FCHE	Facility Commitment to Health Equity	PDC	Provider Data Catalog
FY	fiscal year	Q	Quarter
HAI	healthcare-associated infection	SDOH	Social Drivers of Health
HCAHPS	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems	SSI	Surgical Site Infection

Purpose

This presentation will provide a recap of this year's PCHQR Program key events and updates and provide insight into upcoming key events for calendar year (CY) 2024.

Objectives

Participants will be able to recall this year's significant program events and changes and summarize upcoming events.

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CY 2023 Recap

Publication of the Final Rule

The fiscal year (FY) 2024 Inpatient Prospective Payment System/ Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System [final rule](#) (pages 564–593) finalized the following changes:

- Modified the COVID-19 Vaccination Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) measure (pages 498–505)
- Adopted three health equity measures: Facility Commitment to Health Equity, Screening for Social Drivers of Health, and Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health
- Adopted the Documentation of Goals of Care Discussions Among Cancer Patients measure
- Finalized public display of the Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer measure
- Modified the data submission and reporting requirements for the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) Survey measure

Public Reporting

Measures	PCH #	Public Reporting
Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	PCH-37	July 2024 and subsequent Years
Facility Commitment to Health Equity	PCH-39	July 2026 and subsequent Years
Screening for Social Drivers of Health	PCH-40	July 2027 and subsequent Years
Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health	PCH-41a–e*	July 2027 and subsequent Years
Documentation of Goals Care Discussions Among Cancer Patients	PCH-42	July 2026 and subsequent Years

* The Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health measure has five individual Health-related Social Needs: 41a. Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health - Food Insecurity; 41b. Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health - Housing Instability; 41c. Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health - Transportation Needs; 41d. Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health - Utility Difficulties; 41e. Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health - Interpersonal Safety

Finalized FY 2024 PCHQR Program Measure Set

Safety and Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI)

Short Name	PCH #	Measure Name
CAUTI	PCH-5	Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI) Outcome Measure
CLABSI	PCH-4	Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) Outcome Measure
HCP	PCH-28	National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (HCP)
SSI-Colon and Abdominal Hysterectomy	PCH-6 and PCH-7	American College of Surgeons-Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Harmonized Procedure Specific Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Outcome Measure (currently includes SSIs following Colon Surgery and Abdominal Hysterectomy)
MRSA	PCH-27	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA) Bacteremia Outcome Measure
CDI	PCH-26	NHSN Facility-wide Inpatient Hospital-onset <i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection (CDI) Outcome Measure
COVID-19 HCP Vaccination	PCH-38	COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP

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Clinical Process/Oncology Care Measures

Short Name	PCH #	Measure Name
EOL-Chemo	PCH-32	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Receiving Chemotherapy in the Last 14 Days of Life
EOL-Hospice	PCH-34	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Not Admitted to Hospice

Intermediate Clinical Outcome Measures

EOL-ICU	PCH-33	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Admitted to the Intensive Care Unit in the Last 30 Days of Life
EOL-3DH	PCH-35	Proportion of Patients Who Died from Cancer Admitted to Hospice for Less Than Three Days

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Patient Engagement/Experience of Care

Short Name

PCH #

Measure Name

HCAHPS

PCH-29

Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems

N/A

PCH-42

Documentation of Goals of Care Discussions Among Cancer Patients

Claims-Based Outcome Measures

OP
Chemotherapy

PCH-30 and
PCH-31

Admissions and Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy

Cancer
Readmissions

PCH-36

30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients

Prostate Cancer

PCH-37

Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer

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Health Equity Measures

Short Name	PCH #	Measure Name
FCHE	PCH-39	Facility Commitment to Health Equity
SDOH-1	PCH-40	Screening for Social Drivers of Health
SDOH-2	PCH-41a–e*	Screen Positive Rate for Social Drivers of Health

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Confidential National Reports

For more information, visit the QualityNet PCHQR Program [Measures](#) page.

PCH #	Measure Name	Data Collection Period
PCH-32	EOL-Chemo	FY 2024: July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022 (Measure reports were available April 12, 2023.)
PCH-33	EOL-ICU	
PCH-34	EOL-Hospice	
PCH-35	EOL-3DH	
PCH-37	Surgical Treatment Complications for Localized Prostate Cancer	FY 2024: July 1, 2020–June 30, 2021 (Facility-Specific Reports were available May 3, 2023.)

Admissions and ED Visits for Patients Receiving Outpatient Chemotherapy (PCH-30 and PCH-31)

- FY 2024 Facility-Specific Reports were available May 3, 2023.
 - Data collection period: July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022
- Information is available on [QualityNet](#):
 - PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals > [Measures](#) > Chemotherapy Measure > [Learn more](#)

30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients (PCH-36)

- FY 2024 Facility-Specific Reports were available July 26, 2023.
 - Data collection period:
October 1, 2021–September 30, 2022
- Information is available on [QualityNet](#):
 - PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals > [Measures](#) > Prostate Cancer Measure > [Learn more](#)

First Public Display of PCHQR Program Measure

Provider Data Catalog (PDC) release occurred on November 8, 2023.

- FY 2024 Cancer Readmissions (PCH-36) measure
 - October 1, 2021–September 30, 2022

Reminder:

CBM Report Access

The claims-based measure (CBM) reports moved from the Managed File Transfer (MFT) system to the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) System.

- Measure reports will only be available via MFT by e-mail request to qnetsupport@cms.hhs.gov.
- Download reports from the Claims-based Measure page of the HQR System.
- Instructional video is available [here](#).

Updated PCHQR Program Web Pages

QualityNet:

- [Overview](#)
- [PCHQR Measures](#)
- [Participation](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Data Collection](#)

Quality Reporting Center:

- [Overview](#)
- [Resources and Tools](#)

Updated PCHQR Program Resources

- 2023 Program Manual (Fall update)
- Measure Submission Deadlines by Due Date
- Relationship Matrix
- Measure Crosswalk (FYs 2023–2026)

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Looking Ahead to CY 2024

What's Next?

PCHQR Program Measures

- Quarterly submissions
 - HAI measure data
 - HCAHPS Survey data
 - COVID-19 HCP Vaccination measure data
 - Modified version will be reported in May 2024 (Q4 2023 measure data)
- Annual submissions
 - Influenza HCP measure data
 - Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement

What's Next?

PCHQR Program Claims-Based Measures

Anticipated FY 2025 CBM Report Distribution

- Spring 2024
 - OP Chemotherapy measure (PCH-30 and PCH-31)
 - Prostate Cancer measure (PCH-37)
 - End of Life (EOL) measures (PCH-32, PCH-33, PCH-34, and PCH-35)
- Fall 2024
 - Cancer Readmissions measure (PCH-36)

What's Next?

Public Reporting

- HCAHPS Survey data will continue to be publicly refreshed quarterly.
- HAI measures will continue to be publicly refreshed as follows:
 - Quarterly: CAUTI, CLABSI, SSI, MRSA, CDI, and COVID-19 HCP
 - Annually: Influenza HCP
- Beginning with the January 2024 PDC release, PCH-15 data files will be removed.
 - This measure data was refreshed for the last time in January 2023.

What's Next?

Public Reporting

- FY 2025 EOL and Prostate Cancer measure claims data are anticipated to be publicly reported for the first time in July 2024.
 - EOL data collection period:
July 1, 2022–June 30, 2023
 - Prostate Cancer data collection period:
July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022
 - Measure reports will be available in Spring 2024.
- Modified version of the COVID-19 HCP measure data are anticipated to be publicly reported in October 2024.

Schedule for Public Reporting

PDC Release	Measures	Quarters Displayed
January 2024	PCH-29	Q2, Q3, Q4 2022 and Q1 2023
	PCH-4, PCH-5, PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-27	Q2, Q3, Q4 2022 and Q1 2023
	PCH-38	Q1 2023
April 2024	PCH-29	Q3, Q4 2022 and Q1 and Q2 2023
	PCH-4, PCH-5, PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-27	Q3, Q4 2022 and Q1 and Q2 2023
	PCH-38	Q2 2023
July 2024	PCH-29	Q4 2022 and Q1, Q2 and Q3 2023
	PCH-4, PCH-5, PCH-6, PCH-7, PCH-26, and PCH-27	Q4 2022 and Q1, Q2 and Q3 2023
	PCH-38	Q3 2023
	PCH-32, PCH-33, PCH-34, and PCH-35	Q3, Q4 2022 and Q1, Q2 2023 (FY 2025)
	PCH-37	Q3, Q4 2021 and Q1, Q2 2022 (FY 2025)

What's Next?

Outreach and Education Activities

- Outreach includes program requirements and data submission reminders.
- Anticipated educational event topics include overviews of new measures:
 - Health Equity measures
 - Documentation of Goals of Care Discussions Among Cancer Patients

We welcome suggestions for event topics.
Please submit via the survey link on the
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[On Demand Event page](#).

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Key Dates and Reminders

Upcoming Data Submission Deadlines

- January 4, 2024
 - Q3 2023 HCAHPS Survey data
- February 15, 2024
 - Q3 2023 HAI measure data
 - CAUTI, CLABSI, CDI, MRSA, and SSI-colon and abdominal hysterectomy
 - Q3 2023 COVID-19 HCP Vaccination measure data
- April 3, 2024
 - Q4 2023 HCAHPS Survey Data

Public Reporting

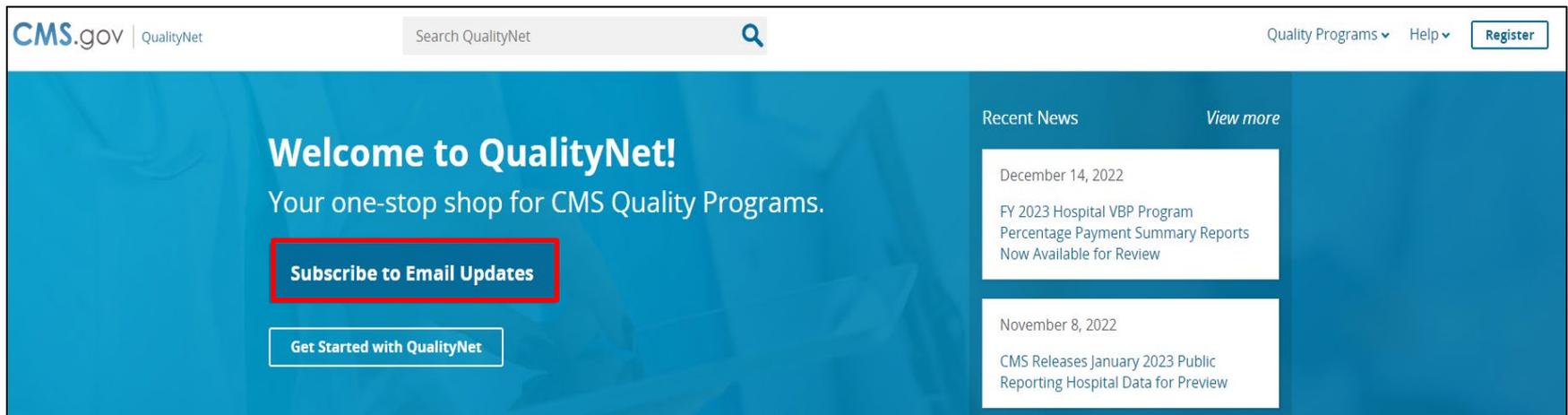
- **January 2024 PDC Release: Date To Be Announced**
 - Q2 2022–Q1 2023 HCAHPS Survey data
 - Q2 2022–Q1 2023 HAI measure data
 - Q1 2023 COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP measure data
- **April 2024 PDC Release: Date to be Announced**
 - Q3 2022–Q2 2023 HCAHPS Survey data
 - Q3 2022–Q2 2023 HAI measure data
 - Q2 2023 COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP measure data

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[QualityNet Home Page](#)



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PCHQR Notify: PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals Quality Reporting (PCHQR) Program Notifications
News, information, announcements, and educational offerings/events regarding the PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospitals Quality Reporting Program.

HQR Vendor Notify: Hospital Quality Reporting Vendor Notifications
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QualityNet Question and Answer Site

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