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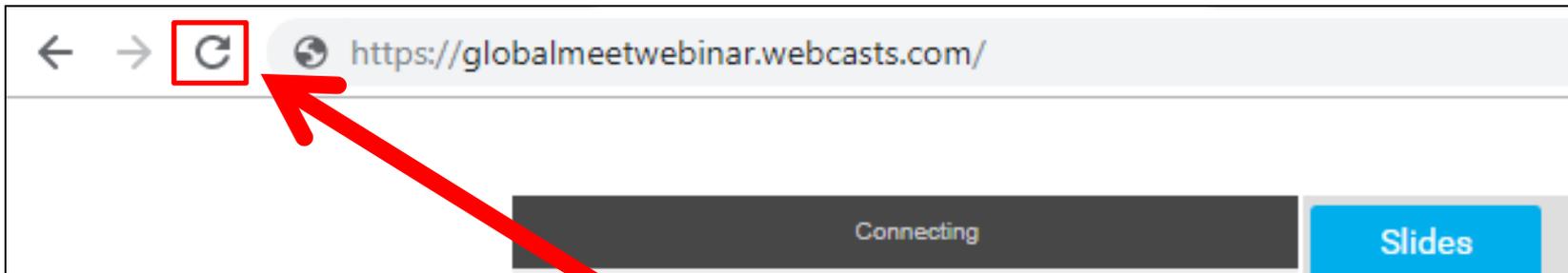
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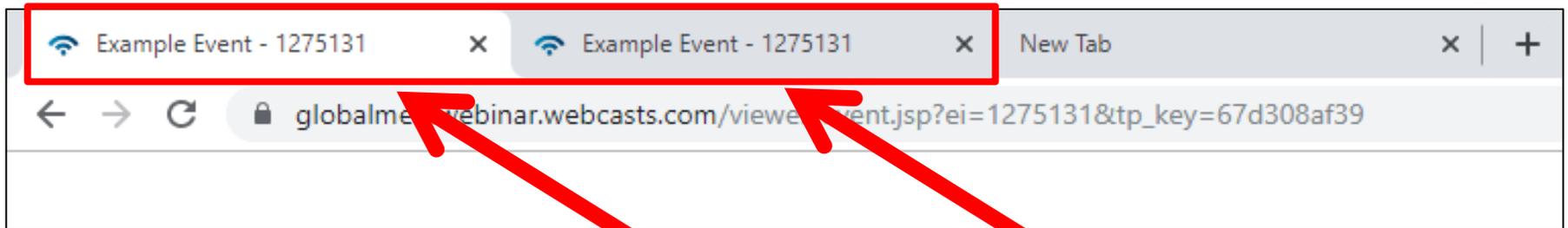
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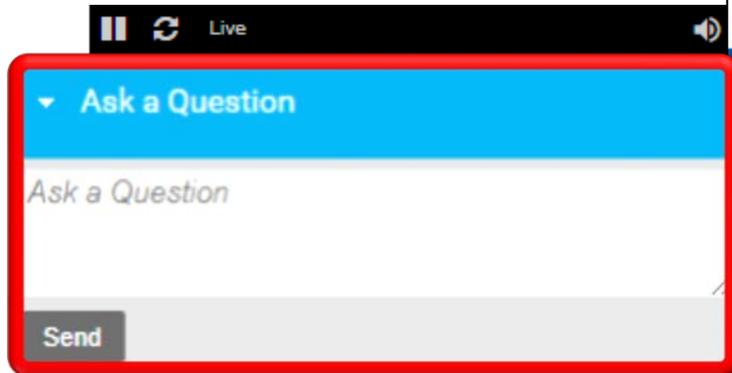
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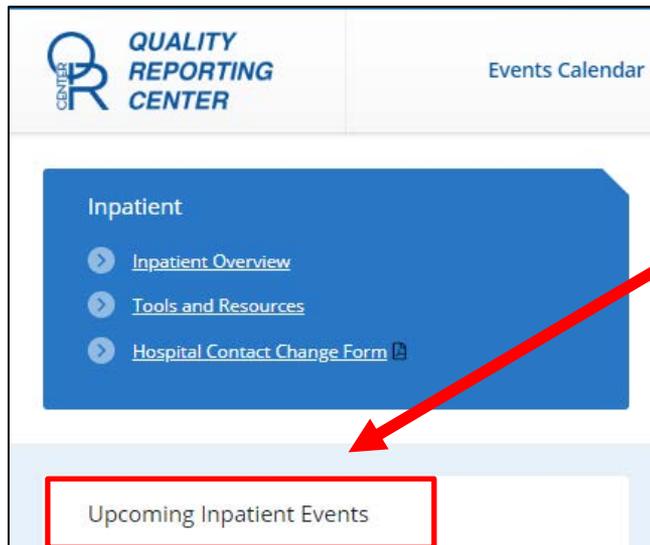
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# **IPFQR Program: FY 2022 IPF PPS Final Rule and APU Determination**

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# Purpose

This presentation will summarize changes to the IPFQR Program as outlined in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) Final Rule and the annual payment update (APU) determination and reconsideration processes for the recent data submission period.

# Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Explain changes to the IPFQR Program per the FY 2022 IPF PPS Final Rule.
- Describe the APU determination and reconsideration processes.

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## **Overview of the FY 2022 IPF PPS Final Rule**

# FY 2022 Final Rule

- The FY 2022 IPF PPS Final Rule (86 FR 42608) was published on August 4, 2021, in the *Federal Register* at [https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/08/04/2021-16336/medicare-program-fy-2022-inpatient-psychiatric-facilities-prospective-payment-system-and-quality?utm\\_source=federalregister.gov&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=subscription+mailing+list](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/08/04/2021-16336/medicare-program-fy-2022-inpatient-psychiatric-facilities-prospective-payment-system-and-quality?utm_source=federalregister.gov&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=subscription+mailing+list).
- IPFQR Program updates are located on pages 42624–42661 of the *Federal Register*.

# Summary of Final Rule Changes

## Executive Summary

CMS finalized the following changes:

- Adopted two new measures
  1. COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Health Care Personnel (HCP)
  2. Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization (FAPH)
- Removed two measures:
  1. Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH), National Quality Forum (NQF) #0576
  2. Timely Transmission of Transition Record (Discharges from an Inpatient Facility to Home/Self Care or Any Other Site of Care)
- Retained two measures:
  1. Alcohol Use Brief Intervention Provided or Offered and Alcohol Use Brief Intervention (SUB-2/2a)
  2. Tobacco Use Treatment Provided or Offered and Tobacco Use Treatment (TOB-2/2a)



# Summary of Final Rule Changes

## Executive Summary (continued)

CMS finalized the following changes:

- Removed the procedural requirement to maintain an active QualityNet security official role in the Hospital Quality Reporting (HQR) system
- Adopted new data submission requirements by requiring patient-level reporting for chart-abstracted measures beginning with FY 2024 payment determination and subsequent years

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## Measure Updates

# COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP Measure

- The measure will assess the proportion of an IPF's health care workforce that has been vaccinated against COVID-19.
- IPFs will collect the numerator and denominator for the COVID-19 HCP measure for at least 1 self-selected week during each month of the reporting quarter and submit the data to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Healthcare Personal Safety (HPS) Component before the quarterly deadline to meet IPFQR Program requirements.
  - IPFs will report the number of HCP eligible to have worked at the facility during the self-selected week that the IPF reports data for in NHSN (denominator) and the number of those HCP who have received a complete course of a COVID-19 vaccination (numerator) during the same self-selected week.
- For FY 2023/Calendar Year (CY) 2021, there will be a shortened reporting period from October 1, 2021–December 31, 2021.
- Beginning with the CY 2022 reporting period/FY 2024 payment determination and for subsequent years, the submission will be quarterly.

\*Specifications for this measure can be found at the following link: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/nqf/index.html>



# Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization: Comparison to the FUH Measure

Distinctions	FUH Measure	FAPH Measure
<b>Reporting Period</b>	Ends FY 2023	Begins FY 2024
<b>Measure population in denominator</b>	Includes select mental health disorders	Includes Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and other mental health diagnoses; more broadly applicable across populations
<b>Exclusion of admission or transfer to acute or non-acute inpatient facilities within 30 days after discharge</b>	Each facility type must have a claim type and a corresponding CMS Certification Number (CCN), Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), Uniform Billing (UB) or place of service (POS) codes	Simplifies by aligning with the HEDIS® Inpatient Stay Value Set used in both the HEDIS® FUH and the HEDIS® Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence (FUA) measures
<b>Codes to identify discharge or transfer to other health care institutions</b>	Inpatient discharge status code	Medicare UB revenue codes
<b>Mental illness or SUD diagnoses</b>	Required to be in primary position on follow-up claim	Allowed in any position on follow-up visit claim

# Removal of the FUH and Timely Transmission of Transition Record Measures

CMS decided to remove the Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH) measure because the FAPH measure, which was finalized for adoption, is more broadly applicable to a larger patient population.

CMS decided to remove the Timely Transmission of Transition Record measure due to the following reasons:

- Conditions of Participation (CoPs)\* for IPFs participating in the Medicare program were updated.
- The costs and burdens associated with this chart-abstracted measure outweigh the benefit of its continued use in the IPFQR Program.

\*Information about CoPs was updated in May 2020:

<https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/CFCsAndCoPs>



# Retention of the SUB-2/2a and TOB-2/2a Measures

After receipt of public comments regarding benefits associated with retaining the SUB-2/2a and TOB-2/2a measures that CMS had not previously considered, CMS decided to retain these measures. Some of the benefits described by various comments include:

- Potential for IPFs to continue improving performance on the measures
- Importance of substance use and tobacco use interventions due to increased substance and tobacco use during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
- Potential influence of the measures on other quality improvement activities related to substance and tobacco use

# IPFQR Program Measure Set for the FY 2023 Payment Determination and Subsequent Years

NQF #	Measure ID	Measure
0640	HBIPS-2	Hours of Physical Restraint Use
0641	HBIPS-3	Hours of Seclusion Use
0560	HBIPS-5	Patients Discharged on Multiple Antipsychotic Medications with Appropriate Justification
0576	FUH	Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness
N/A	SUB-2 and SUB-2a	Alcohol Use Brief Intervention Provided or Offered and SUB-2a Alcohol Use Brief Intervention
N/A	SUB-3 and SUB-3a	Alcohol and Other Drug Use Disorder Treatment Provided or Offered at Discharge and SUB-3a Alcohol and Other Drug Use Disorder Treatment at Discharge
N/A	TOB-2 and TOB-2a	Tobacco Use Treatment Provided or Offered and TOB-2a Tobacco Use Treatment
N/A	TOB-3 and TOB-3a	Tobacco Use Treatment Provided or Offered at Discharge and Tobacco Use Treatment at Discharge
1659	IMM-2	Influenza Immunization
N/A	N/A	Transition Record with Specified Elements Received by Discharged Patients (Discharges from an Inpatient Facility to Home/Self Care or Any Other Site of Care)
N/A	N/A	Timely Transmission of Transition Record (Discharges from an Inpatient Facility to Home/Self Care or Any Other Site of Care)
N/A	N/A	Screening for Metabolic Disorders
2860	N/A	Thirty-Day All-Cause Unplanned Readmission Following Psychiatric Hospitalization in an Inpatient Psychiatric Facility
3205	MedCont	Medication Continuation Following Inpatient Psychiatric Discharge
TBD	COVID HCP	COVID-19 Healthcare Personnel (HCP) Vaccination Measure

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N/A	SUB-3 and SUB-3a	Alcohol and Other Drug Use Disorder Treatment Provided or Offered at Discharge and SUB-3a Alcohol and Other Drug Use Disorder Treatment at Discharge
N/A	TOB-2 and TOB-2a	Tobacco Use Treatment Provided or Offered and TOB-2a Tobacco Use Treatment
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## **Procedural and Data Submission Requirements**

# Updated Procedural Requirements

- CMS adopted the use of the term “QualityNet security official” instead of “QualityNet system administrator.”
- The IPFQR Program no longer requires an active account to qualify for payment, starting with FY 2023 payment determination.

# New Data Submission Requirements

- CMS adopted patient-level reporting for chart-abstracted measures.
  - This will include numerator only data for Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (HBIPS)-2 and HBIPS-3.
  - This will not include any claims-based measures.
- Reporting will be on a voluntary basis during the summer 2022 data submission period.
- Mandatory patient-level data reporting starts with the summer 2023 data submission period and includes subsequent years.
  - The XML file specifications will be published in an upcoming specifications manual for the IPFQR Program, like the Hospital IQR Program in the *Specifications Manual for National Hospital Inpatient Quality Measures*.
  - An exact date is not currently available; however, CMS aims to have IPFQR Program measures added to the CMS Abstraction & Reporting Tool (CART) for use during Q1/Q2 2022.



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## **CMS Requests for Public Comments**

# CMS Request for Public Comment: Potential Validation Pilot

CMS recognizes the opportunity for data accuracy validation with the adoption of patient-level reporting of chart-abstracted measure data. Subsequently, CMS asked for public comment on potentially adopting a data validation policy for the IPFQR Program.

# CMS Request for Public Comment: Possible New Measures or New Measure Topics

- CMS sought stakeholder feedback on these potential new measures for the IPFQR Program:
  - Patient Experience of Care Data Collection Instrument
  - Patient Reported Functional Outcomes Measure
  - Measures for Electronic Data Reporting
  - Efforts to Address Health Equity in the IPFQR Program
    - CMS Disparity Methods initiative
    - Facility Equity Score to summarize facility performance
- CMS will continue to consider the public comments received. Any proposals regarding inclusion of these measures in a CMS program would be announced via notice and comment rulemaking.

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## **FY 2022 APU Determination**

# FY 2022 IPFQR Program Reporting Requirements

- Maintain at least one active Security Administrator/Official (SA/O)
- Pledge a status of “Participating” in the IPFQR Program Notice of Participation (NOP)
- Submit Quarter (Q)3 and Q4 2020 data for the following, unless otherwise noted:
  - HBIPS-2, -3, -5
  - Substance Use (SUB)-2/-2a, -3/3a
  - Influenza Immunization (IMM)-2 (Q4 2020 and Q1 2021 data only)
  - Tobacco Use (TOB)-2/-2a, -3/-3a
  - Transition Record with Specified Elements Received by Discharged Patients and Timely Transmission of Transition Record measures
  - Screening for Metabolic Disorders (SMD)
  - Non-measure data
- Complete the Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement (DACA)

# APU Status Notifications

- Notification letters were sent in September 2021 to facilities that did not meet one or more of the program requirements.
- Reconsideration requests for decisions are due to CMS 30 days from the date of receipt of the APU decision letter.
- Notifications of APU reconsideration decisions will be sent by CMS to facilities filing a reconsideration approximately 90 days following the submission of the reconsideration request.

# APU Reconsideration Process: QualityNet Location

An overview of the APU reconsideration process for the IPFQR Program is available on the **APU Reconsideration** page on QualityNet:

<https://qualitynet.cms.gov/ipf/ipfqr/apu#tab2>

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## Helpful Resources

# Acronyms

<b>APU</b>	Annual Payment Update	<b>IMM</b>	Influenza Immunization
<b>CART</b>	CMS Abstraction & Reporting Tool	<b>IPF</b>	inpatient psychiatric facility
<b>CCN</b>	CMS Certification Number	<b>IPFQR</b>	Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting
<b>CMS</b>	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	<b>IQR</b>	Inpatient Quality Reporting
<b>CoP</b>	Conditions of Participation	<b>ISR</b>	IPF-Specific Report
<b>DACA</b>	Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement	<b>NHSN</b>	National Healthcare Safety Network
<b>FAPH</b>	Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization	<b>NOP</b>	Notice of Participation
<b>FR</b>	<i>Federal Register</i>	<b>NQF</b>	National Quality Forum
<b>FUA</b>	Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence	<b>POS</b>	Place of Service
<b>FUH</b>	Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness	<b>PPS</b>	prospective payment system
<b>FY</b>	Fiscal Year	<b>Q</b>	Quarter
<b>HBIPS</b>	Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services	<b>SA/O</b>	Security Administrator/Official
<b>HCP</b>	Health Care Personnel	<b>SMD</b>	Screening for Metabolic Disorders
<b>HCPCS</b>	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System	<b>SUB</b>	Substance Use Measure
<b>HEDIS</b>	Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set	<b>SUD</b>	Substance Use Disorder
<b>HPS</b>	Healthcare Personal Safety	<b>TOB</b>	Tobacco Treatment Measures
<b>HQR</b>	Hospital Quality Reporting	<b>UB</b>	Uniform Billing

# Future Webinar Topics

## **NHSN Enrollment and Reporting Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Vaccination Data**

Detailed instructions and resources pertaining to completion of the NHSN enrollment and the COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among HCP measure data-submission and verification processes.

## **IPFQR Program FY 2022 Data in Review**

Review national-level data submitted during the summer of 2021 for FY 2022 payment determination.

## **IPF-Specific Reports (ISRs) for Claims-Based Measures Review**

Review how to access and use FY 2022 ISRs and supporting documents for the IPFQR Program's claims-based measures.



**Future webinar titles, dates, and times will be communicated via the IPFQR Program Listserve.**

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**IPFQR Program Webpages  
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