

2022 Provider and Stakeholder Engagement archives

About this Page

The Provider and Stakeholder Engagement webpage is where CMS posts engagement materials, upcoming opportunities, and activities. The opportunities relate to CMS' ongoing efforts to develop new quality measures for the Hospice Quality Reporting Program (HQRP), develop the new hospice patient assessment, [Hospice Outcomes & Patient Evaluation \(HOPE\)](#), and maintain the [Hospice Item Set \(HIS\)](#). CMS' processes, inclusive of opportunities for engagement, follow standard guidelines for measure and instrument development which are further described on the [Quality Measure Development](#) webpage.

Opportunities

CMS actively seeks to engage with stakeholders as it develops new quality measures, including those for HOPE. CMS aims to provide as many relevant opportunities as possible to solicit comments from the public, including but not limited to open door forums (ODF's) and HQRP Forums, technical expert panels (TEPs), focus groups, and expert interviews. Announcements related to these stakeholder engagement opportunities will appear on the [Announcement & Spotlight](#) page of this website, and the full list of engagements are available on this webpage. Materials from recent HQRP Forums are available in the **Downloads** section below. If you would like to communicate with CMS about HOPE or quality measures, please email HospiceAssessment@cms.hhs.gov.

HQRP Updates

In addition to the CMS HQRP website, providers can access updates by signing up for listservs pertinent to the HQRP by visiting each of the links for the listservs below:

1. [Subscribe](#) to the PAC QRP listserv for the latest Hospice quality reporting information including but not limited to training, stakeholder engagement opportunities, and general updates about reporting requirements, quality measures, and reporting deadlines.
2. Open Door Forum (ODF) listserv: CMS regularly holds ODFs in which CMS makes announcements pertinent to various programs/care settings. ODFs are also an opportunity for live dialogue between CMS and the provider community at large. The specific ODF pertinent to the HQRP is the "Home Health, Hospice, and Durable Medical Equipment Open Door Forum". [Click here](#) to sign up for this listserv, and click on the "Home Health, Hospice & DME Open Door Forum Mailing List Sign Up" link at the bottom of the webpage, under **Related Links**.
3. MLN Connects: Weekly newsletter which contains CMS program and policy details, updates and announcements, press releases, upcoming educational event registration and reminders, claim, Pricer, and code information and updates on new and revised MLN Publications. [Subscribe to the weekly email newsletter](#).
4. [QTSO](#) webpage and email communications: Providers can access technical and program level updates. This could include assessment submission system updates, trainings, data specification updates, report updates, or system downtimes.

Updates

September 7, 2022

Register Now: CMS Hospice Quality Reporting Program September Forum

On Wednesday, September 28th, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will host a webinar to share updates for the Hospice Quality Reporting Program.

During this webinar, CMS and subject matter experts from Abt Associates will provide information on the following topics:

- The Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Hospice Final Rule
- Recent Public Reporting activity
- Updates related to HQRP

CMS will also answer questions at the end of the webinar, as time allows.

Webinar Details

Title: CMS September Hospice Quality Reporting Program Forum

Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2022

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. ET

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6692944306731233291>

A unique access link will be sent upon registration.

Participation Information

After you register, you will receive a dial-in number and webinar link. You will not be able to share your registration information as it will be unique to you. Please check your spam filter if you do not receive an email confirmation.

Attendees will be able to submit questions in various ways, including:

- **Phone** – Enter your audio pin and use the hand-raising icon to enable CMS to unmute your line.
- **Computer Mic and Speakers** – Enable your microphone and use the hand-raising icon to enable CMS to unmute your line.
- **Chat** – Type your question into the “Questions” box.

For More Information

If you have questions, please email CMSQualityTeam@ketchum.com

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