

2011 Group QRURs

Understanding Your Group's Quality Scores In Relation to PQRS Quality Data

Exhibit 5 of the PY2011 GRPO I Quality and Resource Use Report (QRUR) summarizes your group's performance on each of the quality indicators reported for your samples of attributed patients as part of the 2011 GPRO I Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS). The first two reported columns display the number of cases and performance rate for each of 26 measures for your practice as self-reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) as a participant of GPRO I. The data displayed in these columns should match your group's 2011 PQRS report disseminated by CMS earlier this year.

To better enable report recipients to assess their performance relative to other medical group practices participating in GPRO I, information on performance relative to the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 95th percentiles is included both on the Highlights page and in the body of the PY2011 QRURs. In addition, performance on quality measures is now compared not only to the performance of other GPRO I medical group practices but also to performance among all PQRS participants reporting the measure. By including physicians who did not participate in PQRS through GPRO I, this second mean is more representative of the experience of PQRS participants generally.

The percentile distribution of all 55 GPRO I medical group practices and the average performance of all PQRS physician displayed in the remaining columns of Exhibit 5 are calculated based on a compilation of both the GPRO Performance File and the Individual Physician Performance File. As a result, the data presented in these columns may differ from your 2011 PQRS report. Because there are many other ways to build benchmarks, it is possible that these benchmarks will differ across reports produced by different programs.

The Group Methodology Report can be accessed at: http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeedbackProgram/downloads/2011_group_detail_methodology.pdf