

CMS Hospice Public Reporting Key Dates for Providers

CMS encourages providers to be familiar with the important dates outlined in the tables below. Beginning with the November 2019 Hospice Compare refresh, providers will need to submit all HIS modification or inactivation records prior to the 4.5 month data correction deadline for public reporting for the modifications to be reflected in the corresponding HIS Provider Preview Report and Hospice Compare refresh.

This means that providers will have 4.5 months following the end of each calendar year (CY) quarter to review and correct their HIS records with target dates (which is the admission date for HIS-Admission records and discharge date for HIS-Discharge record) in that quarter for public reporting. After this 4.5 month data correction deadline has passed, HIS data from that calendar quarter will be permanently frozen for the purposes of public reporting. Updates made after the correction deadline will **not appear** in any subsequent Hospice Compare refresh. This policy is at the HIS record-level, meaning a patient's HIS-Admission and HIS-Discharge records may have different data correction deadlines.

Hospice Compare Refresh Schedule, Preview Periods, and Data Correction Deadlines

Refresh Date	February 2020	May 2020	August 2020	November 2020
Refresh Reflects Patient Stays Discharged for Quarters (HIS)	Quarter 2 2018– Quarter 1 2019	Quarter 3 2018– Quarter 2 2019	Quarter 4 2018– Quarter 3 2019	Quarter 1 2019– Quarter 4 2019
CAHPS Quarters included in Refresh (Dates refer to patients' dates of death)	Quarter 2 2017– Quarter 1 2019	Quarter 3 2017– Quarter 2 2019	Quarter 4 2017– Quarter 3 2019	Quarter 1 2018– Quarter 4 2019
HIS and CAHPS: Month that provider preview reports are issued	December 2019	March 2020	May 2020	September 2020

Upcoming Data Correction Deadlines for Public Reporting

Target Date of HIS Record		HIS Record Data Correction Deadline for Public Reporting (11:59:59 p.m. E.T.)
Quarter 1, 2020	(01/01/20- 03/31/20)	August 15, 2020
Quarter 2, 2020	(04/01/20- 06/30/20)	November 15, 2020
Quarter 3, 2020	(07/1/20- 09/30/20)	February 15, 2021
Quarter 4, 2020	(10/1/20- 12/31/20)	May 15, 2021

CMS encourages providers to review quality measure data early and often using their CASPER QM Reports and not wait until the 4.5 month data correction deadline for public reporting to submit any necessary HIS corrections. For more information on how providers can use their CASPER QM Reports to review data please see the CASPER QM Reports Fact Sheet in the **Downloads** section of the [HQRP Requirements and Best Practices](#) webpage.