

ORYX[®] for Hospitals

(National Hospital Quality Measures)

- The Joint Commission's ORYX[®] initiative integrates performance measurement data into the accreditation process.
- ORYX[®] measurement requirements support Joint Commission-accredited organizations in their quality improvement efforts.
- The Joint Commission continues to align measures as closely as possible with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

In 2021, accredited hospitals will submit both electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM) and chart-abstracted measure data via The Joint Commission's Direct Data Submission Platform (DDSP). In 2020, all hospitals transitioned to DDSP for submission of eCQM data annually and chart-abstracted aggregate data on a quarterly basis.

2021 ORYX[®] reporting requirements for hospitals

- Acute Care Hospitals having Licensed Beds \geq 26 OR Outpatient Visits \geq 50,000 and 300+ live births annually submit four chart-abstracted measures (PC-01, PC-02, PC-05 and PC-06), and select a minimum of 4 eCQMs, reporting the same eCQMs for two self-selected quarters. There are 12 eCQMs available.
- Acute Care Hospitals having Licensed Beds \geq 26 OR Outpatient Visits \geq 50,000 and 1-299 live births annually submit one chart-abstracted measure (PC-01) and select a minimum of 4 eCQMs, reporting the same eCQMs for two self-selected quarters. There are 12 eCQMs available.
- Acute Care Hospitals having Licensed Beds \geq 26 OR Outpatient Visits \geq 50,000 and do not provide obstetrical services do not submit chart-abstracted measures, and select a minimum of 4 eCQMs, reporting the same eCQMs for two self-selected quarters. There are 12 eCQMs available.
- Hospitals having Licensed Beds $<$ 26 AND Outpatient Visits $<$ 50,000 (small hospitals) are required to submit any combination of 3 eCQMs and/or chart-abstracted measures applicable to patient population/services offered.
- Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) are required to submit any combination of 3 eCQMs and/or chart-abstracted measures applicable to patient population/services offered.
- Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals continue to report on the 4 required Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (HBIPS) measures (HBIPS-1, HBIPS-2, HBIPS-3, and HBIPS-5).
- Free-standing Children's Hospitals, Long Term Acute Care Hospitals (LTACHs), Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) and health care organizations participating in the CMS PPS-Exempt Cancer Hospital Quality Reporting (PCHQR) program reporting requirements remain suspended.
- The Joint Commission has eliminated "self-reporting" of ORYX data. Hospitals that self-reported performance measurement data in the past are now expected to submit their data, starting current year (CY) 2021, to the Direct Data Submission Platform (DDSP).

ORYX[®] chart-abstracted data are publicly reported on The Joint Commission's [Quality Check[®]](#) website. At this time, eCQM data is not being publicly reported by The Joint Commission.

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