June 14, 2021

Dear Colleague:

To provide more time for new health care organizations (HCOs) to successfully onboard to the Direct Data Submission Platform, and due to recent challenges with HCO workspace initialization, The Joint Commission has extended the deadline for submitting 1Q2021 chart-abstracted data from June 30th to July 30th, 2021. **1Q2021 chart-abstracted data cannot be submitted after July 30 and there is no re-transmission of chart-abstracted data.**

Please Note:

- Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals are required to submit 1Q2021 chart-abstracted HBIPS measures.
- Acute Care Hospitals with obstetrical services HCOs can submit associated eCQMs instead of chart-abstracted measures to meet their PC measure requirements. Those electing to submit ePC / eCQMs instead of chart-abstracted PC should attest to submit eCQMs within the chart-abstracted module on DDSP.
- Newly onboarding hospitals must accept their invitation to the platform prior to July 1, 2021 regardless of whether or not they intend to submit chart-abstracted data to meet their CY2021 requirements.

Once ORYX Data have been submitted, download the Submission Report from the Welcome page on the DDSP which provides a summary of the data received from your organization.

If you need assistance or have questions with any portion of the Platform, please submit a support desk ticket utilizing the Platform Help screen accessed via the “Need Help?” button.

Staff that had access to the CY2020 DDSP are able to use the same link to access the CY2021 DDSP: [https://www.apervita.net/a/jointcommissionddsp/login](https://www.apervita.net/a/jointcommissionddsp/login)

Users that have access to invite/manage user permissions for their facility should go to the “Invite & Manage Users” menu and grant themselves/others access (as appropriate) to the chart-abstracted measure (CAM) module.

**Reminder**

The Joint Commission will be hosting office hours on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021 from 11am - 12pm (Central Time)** for hospitals/health systems using and/or transitioning to the Direct Data Submission Platform (DDSP) to submit their CY2021 electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) and chart-abstracted data for accreditation purposes. Office hours are staffed by The Joint Commission and Apervita team to provide information about the data submission process and to answer questions from HCOs.

Please register for the June 15th session using this link: [https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1463469&tp_key=4e093468c9](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1463469&tp_key=4e093468c9)

**Questions**

Please contact **hcooryx@jointcommission.org** for questions and include your HCO ID in the subject line.

Thank you