

# **Data Dictionary for Hospice Quality Reporting Program Data on Care Compare**

**Version 14.2**

## Version Details

Version Number	Date	Details
1.0	August 2017	<p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Treatment Preferences (NQF#1641, CMS ID: H001.01)</li> <li>- Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by the patient) (NQF#1647, CMS ID: H002.01)</li> <li>- Pain Screening (NQF#1634, CMS ID: H003.01)</li> <li>- Pain Assessment (NQF#1637, CMS ID: H004.01)</li> <li>- Dyspnea Screening (NQF#1639, CMS ID: H005.01)</li> <li>- Dyspnea Treatment (NQF#1638, CMS ID: H006.01)</li> <li>- Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen (NQF#1617, CMS ID: H007.01)</li> </ul>
2.0	February 2018	<p>Measures Added:</p> <p>Top-box scores for CAHPS Hospice Survey measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communication with family (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_001.01)</li> <li>- Getting timely help (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_002.01)</li> <li>- Treating patient with respect (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_003.01)</li> <li>- Emotional and spiritual support (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_004.01)</li> <li>- Help for pain and symptoms (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_005.01)</li> <li>- Training family to care for patient (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_006.01)</li> <li>- Rating of this hospice (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_007.01)</li> <li>- Willing to recommend this hospice (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_008.01)</li> </ul>
3.0	May 2018	<p>Table Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Zip Code Variables</li> </ul> <p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Middle- and bottom-box scores for CAHPS Hospice Survey measures</li> </ul>
4.0	November 2018	<p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospice and Palliative Care Composite Process Measure – Comprehensive Assessment at Admission (NQF#3235, CMS ID: H008.01)</li> </ul>

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5.0	May 2019	<p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care</li> <li>- Provided Routine Home Care only</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with Cancer</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with Dementia</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with Stroke</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with Circulatory/heart disease</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with Respiratory disease</li> <li>- Percent of Patients with All other condition</li> <li>- Care Provided in Home</li> <li>- Care Provided in Assisted Living Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in Nursing Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in Skilled Nursing Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in Skilled Nursing Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in Inpatient Hospital Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in Inpatient Hospice Facility</li> <li>- Care Provided in All other sites</li> </ul>
6.0	August 2019	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description of bottom box score for Emotional and Spiritual Support modified</li> </ul> <p>Measure Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospice Visits When Death Is Imminent Measure 1</li> </ul>
7.0	April 2020	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provider Data Variables Table Measure “Care Provided in All other locations” renamed “Care Provided at All other sites”</li> </ul> <p>Measures Added to National Hospice Item Set Variables Table:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Average_Daily_Census</li> <li>- Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care</li> <li>- Provided Routine Home Care only</li> </ul>
8.0	July 2020	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Added Tables 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11</li> <li>- Revised structures of Tables 3, 5, 7, and 9</li> </ul>
9.0	November 2020	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Revised title to reflect transition from Hospice Compare to Care Compare</li> <li>- Updated file names and added section on “File Naming Convention”</li> </ul>
10.0	May 2021	<p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospice served at least 1 patient enrolled in Medicare Advantage during one year</li> <li>- Hospice served at least 1 patient with both Medicaid and Medicare coverage during one year</li> <li>- Revised references from “beneficiaries” to “patients”</li> </ul>
11.0	February 2022	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Added introduction and document purpose</li> <li>- Changed format of some tables</li> <li>- Changed format for reporting periods in CAHPS Hospice Survey datasets</li> </ul>

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12.0	May 2022	<p>Measures Removed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospice Visits When Death Is Imminent, Measure 1 Process Measure</li> </ul> <p>Measures Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hospice Visits in the Last Days of Life (HVLDL)</li> <li>- Hospice Care Index (HCI) and its component 10 indicators</li> </ul> <p>Revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Added State Rates to all HIS- and claims-based Quality Measures</li> <li>- Added State Scores to CAHPS Quality Measures</li> <li>- Updated language for footnotes 2 and 5</li> <li>- Added footnote 16</li> </ul>
13.0	August 2022	<p>Revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Added Family caregiver survey rating, a summary Star Rating for CAHPS measures</li> <li>- Added footnote 15</li> <li>- Revised footnotes 8 and 14</li> </ul>
14.0	November 2022	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Changed structure of the Hospice State dataset to reflect the structure of the Provider and National datasets.</li> </ul>
14.1	August 2023	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated variable names.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o City is now City/Town</li> <li>o Zip Code is now ZIP Code</li> <li>o County Name is now County/Parish</li> <li>o Phone Number is now Telephone Number</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
14.2	May 2025	<p>Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Added Table 17: Anticipated Hospice Public Reporting Refreshes and Data Collection Timeframes</li> </ul>

## **Introduction**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) created Care Compare, a streamlined redesign of the original eight CMS healthcare compare tools. Care Compare provides a single user-friendly interface that consumers can use to understand information about doctors, hospitals, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, and other health care services instead of searching through multiple tools. Care Compare enables patients and caregivers to make informed decisions about healthcare based on cost, quality of care, volume of services, and other data. Information about the quality measures on Care Compare are presented similarly and clearly across all provider types and care settings. Like the original compare tools, consumers are able to select multiple facilities and directly compare their performance on quality measure information. To access the Care Compare website, please visit [www.medicare.gov/care-compare/](http://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/).

This document provides information about the Hospice data on Care Compare. Care Compare provides data on over 5,000 Hospice Agencies. More information about the Hospice quality measures displayed on Care Compare can be found by visiting the Hospice Quality Reporting Measures Information page at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/Hospice-Quality-Reporting/Current-Measures>.

Care Compare information about Hospice is typically updated, or refreshed, each quarter in February, May, August, and November; however, the refresh schedule is subject to change and not all measure data will be updated during each quarterly release.

Links to download the data from the zipped comma-separated value (CSV) flat file formats can be found on the Provider Data Catalog website. Archived data are also available in the Provider Data Catalog. To access the Provider Data Catalog website, please visit: <https://data.cms.gov/provider-data/>.

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## **Document Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to provide a directory of material for use in the navigation of Hospice quality information contained with the Care Compare downloadable databases found on the Provider Data Catalog website.

## **File Naming Convention**

The files described in the tables below are named using the following convention:

Key\_Words\_[RefreshMMMYYYY]. The key words include the word "hospice." For example, for the May 2025 refresh, the General Information file is "Hospice\_General\_Information\_Aug2025" and the National Hospice Data file is "Hospice\_National\_Aug2025."

The Table names display the Key Words used in each file name, along with a placeholder Month and Year for the month and year of the refresh associated with the file.

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**Table 1: Acronym Index**

Acronym	Meaning
CAHPS	Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
CCN	CMS Certification Number
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
PAC	Post-Acute Care
QRP	Quality Reporting Program

**Table 2: File Summary**

The list below shows the titles of all CSV flat file names included in the downloadable database. CSV Flat Files Note: Opening CSV files in Excel will remove leading zeros from data fields. Since some data, such as provider numbers, contain leading zeroes, it is recommended that you open CSV files using text editor programs such as Notepad to copy or view CSV file content. The CSV column names and file names should mirror the datasets found on <https://data.cms.gov/provider-data/>.

<b>File Name*</b>	<b>PDC Dataset Title</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Hospice_General_Information_MMMYY YY.csv</b>	Hospice – General Information	List of hospice facilities with information such as address, phone number, ownership data and more.
<b>Hospice_Zip MMM YYYY.csv</b>	Hospice – ZIP Data	This file contains information on the areas served by the hospice agency. It is based on HIS assessments submitted by the hospice agency during the data collection period. There is one record for each ZIP code in which there was at least one patient served by the hospice agency.
<b>Hospice_State_MM YYYY.csv</b>	Hospice – State Data	State average data on the Hospice Quality Reporting Program quality of patient care measures shown on Care Compare, and on component measures and indicators. Each state has one average score for each quality measure and indicator.
<b>Hospice_National_M MMYYYY.csv</b>	Hospice – Nation Data	National data on the Hospice Quality Reporting Program quality of patient care measures shown on Care Compare, and on component measures and indicators.
<b>State_CAHPS_Hospi ce_Survey_Data_M MMYYYY.csv</b>	Hospice care – State CAHPS Hospice Survey Data	State average data on the Hospice Quality Reporting Program family caregiver survey measures shown on Care Compare.
<b>National_CAHPS_H ospice_Survey_Data_ MMYYYY.csv</b>	Hospice care – National CAHPS Hospice Survey Data	National data on the Hospice Quality Reporting Program family caregiver survey measures shown on Care Compare.
<b>Hospice Provider_MMMYY YY.csv</b>	Hospice – Provider Data	A list of hospice agencies with data on the quality of patient care measures shown on Care Compare.
<b>Provider_CAHPS_H ospice_Survey_Data_ MMYYYY.csv</b>	Hospice care – Provider CAHPS Hospice Survey Data	A list of the hospice agencies with data on the Hospice Quality Reporting Program family caregiver survey measures shown on Care Compare.
<b>HOSPICE_Data_Dic tionary.pdf</b>	HOSPICE_Data_Dictionary	Data dictionary
<b>readme.txt</b>	N/A	Information about viewing the data dictionary PDF file.

\*Note: File names will be updated with each refresh of Care Compare to include the corresponding month and year of the refresh (mmmyyyy) as noted in the currently displayed *File Name* column.

**Table 3: Hospice\_General\_Information\_MM YYYY Variables**

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Facility Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City/Town	Character	The name of the city or town where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
ZIP Code	Character	The five-digit postal ZIP code where the hospice is located. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a four-digit zip code listed in the CSV file.
County/Parish	Character	The name of the county or parish where the hospice is located.
Telephone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx) yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4= Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p> <p>8=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming</p> <p>9=San Francisco: Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories</p> <p>10=Seattle: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington</p>
Ownership Type	Character	Indicates the hospice's ownership type: For Profit, Non-Profit, Government, Combination Government & Non-Profit, Other.
Certification Date	Date	The initial Medicare certification date of the hospice.

**Table 4: Hospice\_Zip\_MMYY Variables**

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice's main office is located.
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
ZIP Code	Character	The five-digit ZIP code where the hospice provides services.

**Table 5: Hospice\_State MMMYYYY Variables**

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice's main office is located.
Measure Code	Character	For quality measures, the measure code consists of the CMS ID (prefix) and a suffix indicating it is a denominator or an observed value. Example= H_001_01_OBSERVED  For informational items, the measure code consists of the variable name.  See Table 7 for a complete listing of national data measure codes.
Measure Name	Character	The measure name for the corresponding measure code. See Table 7 for a complete listing of the measure names.
Score	Numeric	The measure score for the corresponding measure code and name.
Footnote	Numeric	Indicates the relevant footnote.
Measure Date Range	Date	The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. This refers to the quarters during which patients were discharged for HIS measures, and the quarters during which patients had claims for care received for claims-based measures. Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.

\*Reporting period for scores in the Hospice\_State MMMYYYY.csv file match the reporting period in the Hospice\_National MMMYYYY.csv file for any given refresh.

**Table 6: Hospice\_National MMMYYYY Variables**

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. However, since this is the national data set, the CCN is listed as "Nation."
Measure Code	Character	For quality measures, the measure code consists of the CMS ID (prefix) and a suffix indicating it is a denominator or an observed value. Example= H_001_01_OBSERVED  For informational items, the measure code consists of the variable name.  See Table 7 for a complete listing of national data measure codes.
Measure Name	Character	The measure name for the corresponding measure code. See Table 7 for a complete listing of the measure names.
Score	Numeric	The measure score for the corresponding measure code and name.

Footnote	Numeric	Indicates the relevant footnote. Currently, there are no footnotes related to the national data.
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Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
Measure Date Range	Date	The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. This refers to the quarters during which patients were discharged for HIS measures, and the quarters during which patients had claims for care received for claims-based measures. Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.

**Table 7. Hospice National MMMYYYY: Measure Codes and Measure Names**

**H\_001\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_001_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Treatment Preferences

**H\_002\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_002_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Beliefs & Values Addressed (if desired by the patient)

**H\_003\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_003_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Pain Screening

**H\_004\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_004_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Pain Assessment

**H\_005\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_005_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Dyspnea Screening

**H\_006\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_006_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Dyspnea Treatment

## **H\_007\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_007_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Patient Treated with an Opioid Who Are Given a Bowel Regimen

## **H\_008\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_008_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Composite Process Measure

## **H\_011\_01**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_011_01_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice Visits in the Last Days of Life (HVLDL)

## **H\_012\_00 through H\_012\_10**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
H_012_00_OBSERVED	National rate	Hospice Care Index Overall Score
H_012_01_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: CHC/GIP Provided (% days)
H_012_02_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Gaps in nursing visits (% elections)
H_012_03_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Early live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_04_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Late live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_05_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 1 (% live discharges)
H_012_06_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 2 (% live discharges)
H_012_07_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Per-beneficiary spending (U.S. dollars \$)
H_012_08_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Nurse care minutes per routine home care days (minutes)
H_012_09_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Skilled nursing minutes on weekends (% minutes)
H_012_10_OBSERVED	National rate	HCI: Visits near death (% decedents)

### **Provided Routine Home care and other levels of care**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
Provided Routine Home care and other levels of care	National rate	Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care

### **Provided Routine Home Care only**

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
Provided Routine Home Care only	National rate	Provided Routine Home Care only

**Table 8: State\_CAHPS\_Hospice\_Survey\_Data\_MMYY Variables**

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state.
Measure Code	Character	The measure code consists of the measure name (prefix) and a suffix indicating whether the score is a Top Box Value (TBV), Middle Box Value (MBV), or Bottom Box Value (BBV). See Table 9 for a complete listing of state data measure codes.
Measure Name	Character	Measure name and description of response categories for the corresponding measure code. See Table 9 for a complete listing of state data measure names.
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Character	Indicates the relevant footnote.  16=The number of cases is too small to report a score for this state/territory.  See Table 16 for more information on how each footnote is used.
Date	Date	The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care. Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.

**Table 9: State\_CAHPS\_Hospice\_Survey\_Data\_MMYYYY: Measure Codes and Measure Names**

### **EMO\_REL**

<b>State Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
EMO_REL_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team provided the right amount of emotional and spiritual support
EMO_REL_MBV	Middle Box Value	(Blank)
EMO_REL_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team did [not] provide the right amount of emotional and spiritual support

### **RATING**

<b>State Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RATING_TBV	Top Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 9 or 10
RATING_MBV	Middle Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 7 or 8
RATING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 6 or lower

### **RECOMMEND**

<b>State Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RECOMMEND_TBV	Top Box Value	YES, they would definitely recommend the hospice
RECOMMEND_MBV	Middle Box Value	YES, they would probably recommend the hospice
RECOMMEND_BBV	Bottom Box Value	NO, they would probably not or definitely not recommend the hospice

### **RESPECT**

<b>State Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RESPECT_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never treated the patient with respect

## SYMPTOMS

State Variables	Description	Measure Name
SYMPTOMS_TBV	Top Box Value	The patient always got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_MBV	Middle Box Value	The patient usually got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The patient sometimes or never got the help they needed for pain and symptoms

## TEAM\_COMM

State Variables	Description	Measure Name
TEAM_COMM_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always communicated well
TEAM_COMM_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually communicated well
TEAM_COMM_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never communicated well

## TIMELY\_CARE

State Variables	Description	Measure Name
TIMELY_CARE_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never provided timely help

## TRAINING

State Variables	Description	Measure Name
TRAINING_TBV	Top Box Value	They definitely received the training they needed
TRAINING_MBV	Middle Box Value	They somewhat received the training they needed
TRAINING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	They did not receive the training they needed

**Table 10: National\_CAHPS\_Hospice\_Survey\_Data\_MM YYYY Variables**

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
Measure Code	Character	The measure code consists of the measure name (prefix) and a suffix indicating whether the score is a Top Box Value (TBV), Middle Box Value (MBV), or Bottom Box Value (BBV). See Table 11 for a complete listing of national data measure codes.

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
Measure Name	Character	Measure name and description of response categories for the corresponding measure code. See Table 11 for a complete listing of national data measure names.
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Character	Indicates the relevant footnote. Currently, there are no footnotes related to the national data.
Date	Date	The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care. Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.

**Table 11: National CAHPS Hospice Survey Data MMMYYYY: Measure Codes and Measure Names**

### **EMO\_REL**

<b>National Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
EMO_REL_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team provided the right amount of emotional and spiritual support
EMO_REL_MBV	Middle Box Value	(Blank)
EMO_REL_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team did [not] provide the right amount of emotional and spiritual support

### **RATING**

<b>National Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RATING_TBV	Top Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 9 or 10
RATING_MBV	Middle Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 7 or 8
RATING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 6 or lower

### **RECOMMEND**

<b>National Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RECOMMEND_TBV	Top Box Value	YES, they would definitely recommend the hospice
RECOMMEND_MBV	Middle Box Value	YES, they would probably recommend the hospice
RECOMMEND_BBV	Bottom Box Value	NO, they would probably not or definitely not recommend the hospice

### **RESPECT**

<b>National Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RESPECT_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never treated the patient with respect

## SYMPTOMS

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
SYMPTOMS_TBV	Top Box Value	The patient always got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_MBV	Middle Box Value	The patient usually got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The patient sometimes or never got the help they needed for pain and symptoms

## TEAM\_COMM

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
TEAM_COMM_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always communicated well
TEAM_COMM_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually communicated well
TEAM_COMM_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never communicated well

## TIMELY\_CARE

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
TIMELY_CARE_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never provided timely help

## TRAINING

National Variables	Description	Measure Name
TRAINING_TBV	Top Box Value	They definitely received the training they needed
TRAINING_MBV	Middle Box Value	They somewhat received the training they needed
TRAINING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	They did not receive the training they needed

**Table 12: Hospice Provider \_MMMYYYY Variables**

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Facility Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City/Town	Character	The name of the city or town where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
ZIP Code	Character	The five-digit postal ZIP code where the hospice is located. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a four-digit zip code listed in the CSV file.
County/Parish	Character	The name of the county or parish where the hospice is located.
Telephone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx)yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4= Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p> <p>8=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming</p> <p>9=San Francisco: Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories</p> <p>10=Seattle: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington</p>

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
Measure Code	Character	<p>For quality measures, the measure code consists of the CMS ID (prefix) and a suffix indicating it is a denominator or an observed value. Example=</p> <p>H_001_01_DENOMINATOR</p> <p>Prefix: H_001_01 Suffix: DENOMINATOR</p> <p>For informational items, the measure code consists of the variable name.</p> <p>See Table 13 for a complete listing of provider data measure codes.</p>
Measure Name	Character	The measure name for the corresponding measure code. See Table 13 for a complete listing of the measure names
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Numeric	<p>Indicates the relevant footnote.</p> <p>1= The number of patient stays is too small to report (less than 20 patient stays).</p> <p>2= Data not available for this reporting period.</p> <p>3= Data suppressed by CMS upon request from the agency.</p> <p>4= Data not submitted for this reporting period.</p> <p>5= Results are based on a shorter time period than required.</p> <p>8= Data suppressed by CMS.</p> <p>12=Results aren't available for this reporting period</p> <p>13= Number of patients is too small to report.</p> <p>14= Value only reflects the specific year of data used for the current refresh, and does not mean a hospice has not provided care at this site in more recent years or is unable to provide care at this site.</p> <p>See Table 16 for more information on how each footnote is used.</p>
Measure Date Range	Date	The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. This refers to the quarters during which patients were discharged for HIS measures, and the quarters during which patients had claims for care received for claims-based measures. Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.

**Table 13: Hospice Provider \_MMMYYYY: Measure Codes and Measure Names**

**H\_001\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_001_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_001_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Treatment Preferences

**H\_002\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_002_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_002_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Beliefs & Values Addressed (if desired by the patient)

**H\_003\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_003_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_003_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Pain Screening

**H\_004\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_004_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_004_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Pain Assessment

**H\_005\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_005_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_005_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Dyspnea Screening

**H\_006\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_006_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_006_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Dyspnea Treatment

## **H\_007\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_007_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_007_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen

## **H\_008\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_008_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_008_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice and Palliative Care Composite Process Measure

## **H\_011\_01**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_011_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	(Blank)
H_011_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice Visits in the Last Days of Life (HVLDL)

## **H\_012\_00 through H\_012\_10**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_012_00_NUMBEROFCCLAIMS	Number of Medicare claims	Hospice Care Index Overall Score
H_012_00_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	Hospice Care Index Overall Score
H_012_01_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: CHC/GIP Provided (% days)
H_012_01_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: CHC/GIP Provided (% days)
H_012_01_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: CHC/GIP Provided (% days)
H_012_02_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Gaps in skilled nursing visits (% elections)
H_012_02_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Gaps in skilled nursing visits (% elections)
H_012_02_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Gaps in skilled nursing visits (% elections)
H_012_03_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Early live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_03_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Early live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_03_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Early live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_04_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Late live discharges (% live discharges)

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
H_012_04_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Late live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_04_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Late live discharges (% live discharges)
H_012_05_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 1 (% live discharges)
H_012_05_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 1 (% live discharges)
H_012_05_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 1 (% live discharges)
H_012_06_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 2 (% live discharges)
H_012_06_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 2 (% live discharges)
H_012_06_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Burdensome transitions, Type 2 (% live discharges)
H_012_07_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Per-beneficiary spending (U.S. dollars \$)
H_012_07_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Per-beneficiary spending (U.S. dollars \$)
H_012_07_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Per-beneficiary spending (U.S. dollars \$)
H_012_08_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Skilled nursing care minutes per routine home care days (minutes)
H_012_08_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Skilled nursing care minutes per routine home care days (minutes)
H_012_08_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Skilled nursing care minutes per routine home care days (minutes)
H_012_09_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Skilled nursing minutes on weekends (% minutes)
H_012_09_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Skilled nursing minutes on weekends (% minutes)
H_012_09_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Skilled nursing minutes on weekends (% minutes)
H_012_10_DENOMINATOR	Denominator	HCI: Visits near death (% decedents)
H_012_10_OBSERVED	Facility observed rate	HCI: Visits near death (% decedents)
H_012_10_PERCENTILE	Percentile Rank	HCI: Visits near death (% decedents)

### Average Daily Census

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Average Daily Census	Number of patients cared for by a hospice on average each day	Average Daily Census

### **Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care	Check mark: hospice had at least one incidence of routine home care and at least one more incidence of care at another level. Blank: hospice only provided care at routine home care level.	Provided Routine Home Care and other levels of care

### **Provided Routine Home Care only**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Provided Routine Home Care only	Check: the hospice had at least one incidence of RHC over the 3 years, and no incidences of care at any other level. Blank: the hospice had at least one incidence of care at another level.	Provided Routine Home Care only

### **Percent of Patients with Cancer**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with Cancer	% of patients at hospice who had Cancer as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with Cancer

### **Percent of Patients with Dementia**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with Dementia	% of patients at hospice who had Dementia as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with Dementia

### **Percent of Patients with Stroke**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with Stroke	% of patients at hospice who had Stroke as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with Stroke

### **Percent of Patients with Circulatory/heart disease**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with Circulatory/heart disease	% of patients at hospice who had Circulatory Heart Disease as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with Circulatory/heart disease

### **Percent of Patients with Respiratory disease**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with Respiratory disease	% of patients at hospice who had Respiratory Disease as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with Respiratory disease

### **Percent of Patients with other conditions**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Percent of Patients with other conditions	% of patients at hospice who had some other conditions as their primary diagnosis	Percent of Patients with other conditions

### **Care Provided in Home**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Care Provided in Home	% days patients received care in home	Care Provided in Home

### **Care Provided in Assisted Living**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Care Provided in Assisted Living	% days patients received care in an assisted living facility	Care Provided in Assisted Living Facility

### **Care Provided in Nursing Facility**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Care Provided in Nursing Facility	% days patients received care in a nursing facility	Care Provided in Nursing Facility

### **Care Provided in Skilled Nursing Facility**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
Care Provided in Skilled Nursing Facility	% days patients received care in a skilled nursing facility	Care Provided in Skilled Nursing Facility

## Care Provided in Inpatient Hospital Facility

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
Care Provided in Inpatient Hospital Facility	% days patients received care in an inpatient hospital	Care Provided in Inpatient Hospital Facility

## Care Provided in Inpatient Hospice Facility

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
Care Provided in Inpatient Hospice Facility	% days patients received care in an inpatient hospice	Care Provided in Inpatient Hospice Facility

## Care Provided in other locations

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
Care Provided in other locations	% days patients received care in other locations	Care Provided in other locations

## Hospice served at least 1 patient enrolled in Medicare Advantage during one year

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
Hospice served at least 1 patient enrolled in Medicare Advantage during one year	1 = Hospice served at least one patient enrolled in Medicare Advantage  0 = Hospice did not serve any patients enrolled in Medicare Advantage	Hospice served at least 1 patient enrolled in Medicare Advantage during one year

## Hospice served at least 1 patient with both Medicare and Medicaid coverage

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
Hospice served at least 1 patient with both Medicare and Medicaid coverage	1= Hospice served at least 1 patient with both Medicaid and Medicare coverage  0 = Hospice did not serve any patients with both Medicaid and Medicare coverage	Hospice served at least 1 patient with both Medicare and Medicaid coverage during one year

**Table 14: Provider CAHPS Hospice Survey Data MMMYYYY Variables**

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed.
Facility Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City/Town	Character	The name of the city or town where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
ZIP Code	Character	The five-digit postal ZIP code where the hospice is located.
County/Parish	Character	The name of the county or parish where the hospice is located.
Telephone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx) yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4=Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p>

<b>Variable Name</b>	<b>Variable Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
		8=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming  9=San Francisco: Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories  10=Seattle: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington
Measure Code	Character	This file contains both scores and Star Ratings. For scores, the measure code consists of the measure name (prefix) and a suffix indicating whether the score is a Top Box Value (TBV), Middle Box Value (MBV), or Bottom Box Value (BBV). For Star Ratings, the measure code is “SUMMARY_STAR_RATING.” See Table 15 for a complete listing of provider data measure codes.
Measure Name	Character	Measure name and description of response categories for the corresponding measure code. See Table 15 for a complete listing of provider data measure names.
Score	Character	The score for the corresponding measure code, for measures.
Star Rating	Character	The number of stars for the Star Rating measure code.
Footnote	Character	Indicates the relevant footnote.  6=The number of cases is too small to report.  7=Results are based on a shorter time period than required.  8=Data suppressed by CMS.  9=There were discrepancies in the data collection process.  10=None of the required data were submitted for this reporting period.  11=Results are not available for this reporting period.

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
		<p>15= The number of cases is too small to report Star Ratings.</p> <p>See Table 16 for more information on how each footnote is used.</p>
Date	Date	<p>The reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score or Star Rating. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care. Scores are updated quarterly, while Star Ratings are updated twice a year (every other quarter). Note that data from January through June 2020 is not used in public reporting due to the public health emergency.</p>

**Table 15: Provider\_CAHPS\_Hospice\_Survey\_Data\_MM YYYY: Measure Codes and Measure Names**

#### **EMO\_REL (Measure)**

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
EMO_REL_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team provided the right amount of emotional and spiritual support
EMO_REL_MBV	Middle Box Value	(Blank)
EMO_REL_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team did [not] provide the right amount of emotional and spiritual support

#### **RATING (Measure)**

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
RATING_TBV	Top Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 9 or 10
RATING_MBV	Middle Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 7 or 8
RATING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	Caregivers rated the hospice agency a 6 or lower

#### **RECOMMEND (Measure)**

Provider Variables	Description	Measure Name
RECOMMEND_TBV	Top Box Value	YES, they would definitely recommend the hospice

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RECOMMEND_MBV	Middle Box Value	YES, they would probably recommend the hospice
RECOMMEND_BBV	Bottom Box Value	NO, they would probably not or definitely not recommend the hospice

### **RESPECT (Measure)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
RESPECT_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually treated the patient with respect
RESPECT_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never treated the patient with respect

### **SYMPTOMS (Measure)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
SYMPTOMS_TBV	Top Box Value	The patient always got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_MBV	Middle Box Value	The patient usually got the help they needed for pain and symptoms
SYMPTOMS_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The patient sometimes or never got the help they needed for pain and symptoms

### **TEAM\_COMM (Measure)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
TEAM_COMM_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always communicated well
TEAM_COMM_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually communicated well
TEAM_COMM_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never communicated well

### **TIMELY\_CARE (Measure)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
TIMELY_CARE_TBV	Top Box Value	The hospice team always provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_MBV	Middle Box Value	The hospice team usually provided timely help
TIMELY_CARE_BBV	Bottom Box Value	The hospice team sometimes or never provided timely help

## **TRAINING (Measure)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
TRAINING_TBV	Top Box Value	They definitely received the training they needed
TRAINING_MBV	Middle Box Value	They somewhat received the training they needed
TRAINING_BBV	Bottom Box Value	They did not receive the training they needed

## **SUMMARY\_STAR\_RATING (Star Rating)**

<b>Provider Variables</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Measure Name</b>
SUMMARY_STAR_RATING	Summary Star Rating for the 8 reported CAHPS measures	Family caregiver survey rating

**Table 16: Footnote Details**

<b>Footnote number</b>	<b>Footnote as displayed on Care Compare</b>	<b>Footnote details</b>	<b>Data Source</b>
<b>1</b>	The number of eligible cases (stays, claims, etc.) is too small to report.	The number of eligible cases (stays, claims, etc.) doesn't meet the required minimum amount for public reporting for this reporting period.	HIS and claims
<b>2</b>	Data not available for this reporting period.	The provider has been Medicare-certified or less than 6 months for HIS measures / 1 month for claims measures OR there wasn't data to submit for this measure for this reporting period.	HIS and claims
<b>3</b>	Data suppressed by CMS upon request from the agency.	The results for these quality measures were excluded due to data issues beyond the hospice's control.	HIS and claims
<b>4</b>	Data not submitted for this reporting period.	The provider didn't submit required data for this quality reporting period.	HIS
<b>5</b>	Results are based on a shorter time period than required.	The results were based upon fewer than standard months of data.	HIS and claims
<b>6</b>	The number of cases is too small to report.	The number of completed questionnaires doesn't meet the required minimum amount for public reporting for this reporting period.	CAHPS®
<b>7</b>	Results are based on a shorter time period than required.	The results were based on fewer than all possible quarters of data for the reporting period.	CAHPS®
<b>8</b>	Data suppressed by CMS.	The results for these measures were excluded for various reasons (e.g., technical issues)	CAHPS® and claims

<b>Footnote number</b>	<b>Footnote as displayed on Care Compare</b>	<b>Footnote details</b>	<b>Data Source</b>
<b>9</b>	There were discrepancies in the data collection process.	There were deviations from data collection protocols.	CAHPS®
<b>10</b>	None of the required data were submitted for this reporting period.	The agency didn't submit any required data for this quality reporting period.	CAHPS®
<b>11</b>	Results aren't available for this reporting period.	Agency is too new or too small to be required to participate in the CAHPS® Hospice Survey, or no cases met the criteria for the measures for this reporting period.	CAHPS®
<b>12</b>	Results aren't available	The hospice provider didn't have the relevant calendar years of Hospice PUF data to calculate the results.	PUF
<b>13</b>	Number of patients is too small to report.	Data for hospice providers who served between 1 and 10 patients with a particular condition or at a particular site cannot be reported to protect personally identifiable information and ensure publicly reported data is a reliable indication of services provided by the hospice. For conditions, values greater than 75% for a given primary diagnosis are also suppressed.	PUF
<b>14</b>	Value only reflects the specific year of data used for the current refresh, and does not mean a hospice has not provided care at this site in more recent years or is unable to provide care at this site.	Value does not indicate that the hospice would have 0% across more than one year or in more recent years, given the variability in the size of hospices and the needs or preferences of patients.	PUF

<b>Footnote number</b>	<b>Footnote as displayed on Care Compare</b>	<b>Footnote details</b>	<b>Data Source</b>
<b>15</b>	The number of cases is too small to report Star Ratings.	The number of responses does not meet the required minimum amount for public reporting of Star Ratings for this reporting period.	CAHPS®
<b>16</b>	The number of cases is too small to report a score for this state/territory.	The number of responses does not meet the required minimum amount for public reporting of a score for this state/territory for this reporting period.	CAHPS®

\*HIS=Hospice Item Set, CAHPS®= Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems® Hospice Survey, PUF=Public Use File

**Table 17. Anticipated Hospice Public Reporting Refreshes and Data Collection Timeframes**

This table provides the data collection timeframes for quality measures in the Hospice QRP displayed on Medicare.gov for May 2025 – May 2026. The first column displays the plain-language measure name used on Medicare.gov, the second column displays the full technical measure name, the third column displays the data collection periods and reporting frequency, and the last columns contain the timeframe for each quarterly website refresh. Periods of performance are subject to change.

Measure Name displayed on Medicare.gov	Technical Measure Name (CMS Measure ID)	Data Collection Periods and Reporting Frequency	Data Collection Timeframes Displayed on Medicare.gov				
			May 2025	August 2025	November 2025	February 2026	May 2026
<b>Patients who got an assessment of all 7 HIS quality measures at the beginning of hospice care to meet the HIS Comprehensive Assessment Measure requirements</b>	Hospice and Palliative Care Composite Process Measure: Comprehensive Assessment at Admission (CMS ID: H008.01)	Collection period: four rolling quarters (12 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2023 – Q2 2024	Q4 2023 – Q3 2024	Q1 2024 – Q4 2024	Q2 2024 – Q1 2025	Q3 2024 – Q2 2025
<b>Percentage of patients who received visits from a registered nurse or medical social worker on at least 2 of the final 3 days of their life</b>	Hospice Visits in Last Days of Life (HVLDL) (CMS ID: H009.01)	Collection period: eight quarters (24 months) Refreshed annually.	Q1 2022 – Q4 2023	Q1 2022 – Q4 2023	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024
<b>Hospice Care Index score (0-10)</b>	Hospice Care Index Overall Score (CMS ID: H012.00)	Collection period: eight quarters (24 months) Refreshed annually.	Q1 2022 – Q4 2023	Q1 2022 – Q4 2023	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024
<b>Family caregiver survey summary rating</b>	Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Hospice Survey Star Ratings	Collection period: eight quarters (24 months) Refreshed bi-annually.	Q2 2022 – Q1 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025

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Measure Name displayed on Medicare.gov	Technical Measure Name (CMS Measure ID)	Data Collection Periods and Reporting Frequency	Data Collection Timeframes Displayed on Medicare.gov				
			May 2025	August 2025	November 2025	February 2026	May 2026
Communication with family	Communication with family (CMS ID: HC001.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Getting timely help	Getting timely help (CMS ID: HC002.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Treating patient with respect	Treating patient with respect (CMS ID: HC003.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Emotional and spiritual support	Emotional and spiritual support (CMS ID: HC004.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Help for pain and symptoms	Help for pain and symptoms (CMS ID: HC005.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025

**Table 17. Anticipated Hospice Public Reporting Refreshes and Data Collection Timeframes**

Measure Name displayed on Medicare.gov	Technical Measure Name (CMS Measure ID)	Data Collection Periods and Reporting Frequency	Data Collection Timeframes Displayed on Medicare.gov				
			May 2025	August 2025	November 2025	February 2026	May 2026
Training family to care for patient	Training family to care for patient (CMS ID: HC006.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Rating of this hospice	Rating of this hospice (CMS ID: HC007.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025
Willing to recommend this hospice	Willing to recommend this hospice (CMS ID: HC008.01)	Collection period: eight rolling quarters (24 months). Refreshed quarterly.	Q3 2022 – Q2 2024	Q4 2022 – Q3 2024	Q1 2023 – Q4 2024	Q2 2023 – Q1 2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2025