

2016 Performance Information is Now Available on Physician Compare

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is committed to providing useful and current quality performance information to help people with Medicare make informed health care decisions. CMS recently added **PY 2016 performance information** to [Physician Compare](#). For the first time, CMS has publicly reported a small subset of 2016 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) group-level measures on Physician Compare profile pages as star ratings.

Specifically, the updated 2016 measures CMS released on the Physician Compare public-facing profile pages include:

- Fifteen (15) 2016 PQRS measures for groups as star ratings
- 2016 Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) for PQRS patient experience measures for groups as top-box scores
- 2016 non-PQRS Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR) measures with performance rates expressed as percentages for clinicians and groups
- 2016 Accountable Care Organization (ACO) measures

Data are also available via the Physician Compare Downloadable Database on data.medicare.gov. The 2016 performance information is anticipated to be made publicly available for download in late spring/early summer 2018. While the profile pages are intended for patients and caregivers, the Downloadable Database is a resource for clinicians and group representatives as well as third-party data users.

To learn more about public reporting on Physician Compare, visit our [Initiative page](#) where you can find resources and documents about the publicly reported 2016 performance information.

If you have any questions about Physician Compare or the 2016 performance information, please contact us at PhysicianCompare@Westat.com.