



Understanding Hospital Star Ratings

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OVERVIEW

CMS has been creating hospital overall ratings, commonly referred to as "star" ratings since 2016. The purpose of the ratings is to provide a simple consumer-friendly way for patients and their families to compare quality across hospitals. The overall rating is a composite of hospital-reported and CMS-calculated measures included on Hospital Compare.

This webinar will provide an overview of which measures are included, recent updates in the scoring methodology and strategies for improving overall ratings.

TARGET

Key stakeholders including quality personnel, clinical staff and other interested healthcare professionals.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Describe the purpose of star ratings and the measures that are included.
- 2. How those measures are grouped together and translated into a rating.
- 3. Examine the impact of recent changes in methodology on their hospital's ratings.
- 4. List strategies to identify quality improvement targets that will impact star ratings.

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