July 2017 Hospital Compare Update

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is working with partners to correct data for Healthcare Associated Infection-1, Healthcare Associated Infection-6 and Patient Safety Indicator-90 measures. For the July 2017 update, data for HAI-1 will be suppressed; data for HAI-6 will be suppressed for hospitals with inaccurate data; PSI-90 data will not be refreshed.

Measures that will be updated in July include:

- Risk Adjusted Mortality
- Risk Adjusted Readmission
- Timely and Effective Care
- Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers Survey (HCAHPS)
- Healthcare Associated Infection data other than HAI-1 and HAI-6
- Excess Days in Acute Care
- Outpatient Imaging Efficiency
- Payment and Value of Care

The October preview period is scheduled for July 14 – Aug. 13. Hospitals will receive their October Hospital Specific Reports approximately two weeks after the beginning of the preview period.

With this schedule change:

- CMS will not provide July Hospital Specific Reports for the Star Rating.
- CMS will not update the Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating in July 2017.
- CMS will distribute October preview reports and Hospital specific reports before publishing the data on Hospital Compare.
- CMS will post the next statistical analysis software pack with the October 2017 Hospital Compare release.

Questions related to the Hospital Compare Overall Hospital Quality Star Ratings can be emailed.