Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQMs) Annual Update Pre-Publication Document for the 2024 Reporting/Performance Period

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This document describes the versions of the standards and code systems used in conjunction with the updated eCQMs for potential use in the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) programs for the 2024 reporting/performance period. It is designed to help health information technology (IT)/electronic health record (EHR) developers, Eligible Clinicians, and Eligible Hospitals/Critical Access Hospitals prepare for 2024 reporting through transparent pre-release of the expected standards and code system versions.

Where and when to obtain updated eCQMs for 2024 reporting/performance period:

The eCQM annual update for the 2024 reporting/performance period will be available Spring 2023. Please sign up for and follow the [Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement (eCQI) Resource Center](), and [CMS]() listservs to receive updates and announcements on the eCQM specifications' publication and related content. The updated eCQMs will be posted on the [Eligible Clinician]() and [Eligible Hospital/Critical Access Hospital]() pages of the [eCQI Resource Center]().

Standards related to the updated eCQM specifications for 2024 reporting/performance period:

- [HQMF R1 Normative]() – HL7 Version 3 Standard: Representation of the Health Quality Measure Format (eMeasure) Release 1
- [HL7 V3 CQL-based HQMF Implementation Guide (IG) R1 STU 4.1]() – HL7 Version 3 Implementation Guide: Clinical Quality Language (CQL)-based Health Quality Measure Format (HQMF), Release 1 - US Realm, Standard for Trial Use 4.1
- [CQL R1 Mixed Normative/Trial-Use (CQL 1.5)]() – Clinical Quality Language Specification, Release 1 Mixed Normative/Trial-Use and the derivative CQL-to-ELM translator v1.5.3
- [QRDA I R1 STU 5.3 with errata]() – Quality Reporting Document Architecture - Category I Release 1, Standard for Trial Use Release 5.3 (December 2022 errata)
- [QRDA III R1 Normative]() – Quality Reporting Document Architecture - Category III Release 1 (September 2021)
- [QDM v5.6]() – Quality Data Model Version 5.6
- [CMS QRDA IGs]() – CMS Quality Reporting Document Architecture Implementation Guides (CMS QRDA I IG for Hospital Quality Reporting released in Spring 2023 for the 2024 reporting period. CMS QRDA III IG v1.0 for Eligible Clinician Programs will be released in

Summer 2023 and an updated version will be released in the Fall 2023 after publication of the Physician Fee Schedule Final Rule for the 2024 performance period)

Code system versions used in the eCQM specifications for 2024 reporting/performance period:

The following code systems will be used:

- **ActCode** – 2022-11
- **AdministrativeGender 2022-11** – Administrative Gender Value Set
- **CDCREC 1.2** – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Race and Ethnicity Code Set Version
- **CDT 2023** – Current Dental Terminology
- **CPT 2023** – Current Procedural Terminology
- **CVX 2022-12-19** – Clinical Vaccine Formulation
- **HCPCS 2023** – Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System
- **HSLOC 2022** – NHSN Healthcare Service Location Codes
- **ICD-9-CM 2013** – International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (in use due to look-back periods of some eCQMs)
- **ICD-10-CM 2023** – International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification
- **ICD-10-PCS 2023** – International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Procedure Coding System
- **LOINC 2.73** – Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes
- **PresentOnAdmission 2021** – Present on Admission
- **RxNorm 2023-01** – A normalized naming system for generic and branded drugs
- **SNOMED CT US Edition 2022-09** – A comprehensive and precise health terminology for electronic exchange of clinical health information
- **SOP 9.2** – Source of Payment

The Value Set Authority Center will post a final list of code systems and value sets used with the eCQM specifications for the 2024 reporting/performance period in spring 2023.

Note: CMS may elect to update the eCQM specifications and supporting materials during reporting/performance periods due to code system changes, clinical guidelines, standards enhancements, etc. Visit the eCQI Resource Center for the most current information on code system and standard versions. Measures will not be eligible for the 2024 reporting/performance period unless and until they are proposed and finalized through notice-and-comment rulemaking for each applicable program.

Please submit questions or comments regarding the standards and/or code system versions used in the upcoming eCQM updates for 2024 reporting/performance period to the [eCQM Issue Tracker](.).