



# About the eCQI Resource Center: Overview

The [electronic Clinical Quality Improvement \(eCQI\) Resource Center](#) - your “one-stop shop” for the most current resources to support electronic clinical quality improvement

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) works to improve the health of our nation by transforming care from a volume-based, provider-centered system to a patient-centered, learning health system. To assist in this effort, the eCQI Resource Center was established to be a central source of information on federal electronic clinical quality improvement initiatives, including electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) and the tools used to support their development, testing, implementation, submission, and reporting.

The eCQI Resource Center (<http://ecqi.healthit.gov>) was developed in response to requests from users like you for a “one-stop-shop” with the latest federal resources, information, standards and tools. The eCQI Resource Center draws from existing resources wherever possible to minimize duplication of resources and efforts across programs and websites.

## Find information tailored to your needs

The eCQI Resource Center provides easy-to-locate, up-to-date eCQI tools and general information for all stakeholders. It contains resources to assist providers, measure developers, measure stewards, and health information technology (IT) developers pursue electronic clinical quality improvement activities, including electronic clinical quality measurement. The eCQI Resource Center also provides links to external functional tools to meet the needs of stakeholders throughout their eCQI efforts.

## Tools you can access on the eCQI Resource Center

<b>Providers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Up-to-date resources and tools to support</b> different aspects of electronic clinical quality measure implementation, meeting key program milestones, submitting data, and understanding upcoming program requirements.</li></ul>
<b>Health IT Developers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Educational tools</b> on eCQM, eCQM certification, eCQI standards, quality program requirements, as well as tools to inform software and application development and testing.</li><li>• <b>Resources to assist clients</b> in their eCQM reporting needs.</li></ul>
<b>Measure Developers and Measure Stewards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Resources that can be used at various stages of eCQM development</b> related to testing, certification, implementation, submission, reporting, and evaluation.</li></ul>



### Find the tools you need quickly and easily

The eCQI Resource Center features sections for users new to electronic clinical quality improvement and the site, including [A Gentle Introduction to eCQI](#), [The Who, What, Where and Why of eQMs](#), [Education Section](#), and [How to Engage](#) in the eCQI Community. Experienced eCQI users can:

- Find plain language descriptions of each measure, as well as links to its full measure specifications, and release notes, sorted by version and release date in the [Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eQMs](#) and [Eligible Professional / Eligible Clinician eQMs](#) sections.
- Browse the [eCQM Tools section](#) to access descriptions and links to key tools like Bonnie, Cypress, ONC JIRA issue trackers, United States Health Information Knowledgebase (USHIK), and Value Set Authority Center (VSAC) that help with eCQM development, testing, and implementation.
- Use the [eCQI Standards section](#) to find descriptions of the most up-to-date eCQI standards including Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA), Health Quality Measure Format (HQMF), Quality Data Model (QDM), eCQM and clinical decision support (CDS) harmonization efforts, and implementation guides detailing the latest reporting requirements.

### Check back often as the eCQI Resource Center evolves to better meet your needs

Please let us know if you find similar or conflicting information about these programs on other federal websites or if you have suggestions for materials to add to the eCQI Resource Center. Your feedback will help us stay up to date and minimize duplication across federal programs and websites. Send us your questions, feedback, and suggestions at [ecqi-resource-center@hhs.gov](mailto:ecqi-resource-center@hhs.gov).

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