

Eli's Hospice Insider

Quality: Refresh Yourself On Your 7 Existing Quality Measures

Are you sure your scores are up to snuff after years of collecting data for these items?

You'll have to get used to some new quality measures this year, but one of them should be pretty familiar.

The new measure "Hospice and Palliative Care Composite Process Measure" is a composite of the seven measures for which hospices have collected data since 2014:

- NQF #1617 Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen;
- NQF #1634 Pain Screening;
- NQF #1637 Pain Assessment;
- NQF #1638 Dyspnea Treatment;
- NQF #1639 Dyspnea Screening;
- NQF #1641 Treatment Preferences;
- NQF #1647 (modified) Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by patient).

Don't be surprised if your Hospice Compare score aligns with this composite measure, experts say.