ESRD Facility Report

FAQs

Where can I find the facility username and password?

Your username is your facility CCN (6-digit Medicare certification number). Usernames and passwords are emailed to facility administrators/clinic managers, social workers, and medical directors each month when the data is updated. The login and password for a facility will not change from month to month, and it can be shared with those you feel would benefit from the information, such a regional managers and clinical specialists.

Where does the data for each measure come from?

Network data is provided by the ESRD National Coordinating Center (NCC), the data contractor for CMS. Data is collected via multiple databases including EQRS, NHSN, UNOS, and Medicare Part B Claims. Under each measure in the ESRD facility report, the source of the data is displayed.

Why does the hospitalization data not match our internal hospitalization data?

Network hospitalization measures only include hospitalizations for a diagnosis with <u>these ICD-10 codes</u>, selected by CMS. Any patient admitted with these diagnosis codes will appear on our datasets. Patients not admitted with these codes will not appear. In addition, the data only pulls claims for Medicare Part B patients. The codes are pulled from Medicare claims only and are not affected by any organizational documentation.

Why does my data appear inaccurate?

There may be a few reasons your data appears inaccurate. There is at least a 30-day lag on most data received by CMS, sometimes longer for transplant data. Data attribution is also dependent on timely submission of information into the appropriate databases by the facilities. Additionally, the measurement period for CMS runs from May-April, and not a traditional calendar year, therefore discrepancies in the data could be due to the timeframe difference. For example, a patient added to the transplant waitlist in March 2024 would be attributed to the prior measurement year's performance.

Can you separate home vs. in-center data?

Unfortunately, the Network is unable to separate home and in-center patient data because all of the patients fall under one facility CCN with Medicare. At this time the NCC does not provide us with data that distinguishes between the two.

Can you provide patient details in the ESRD Facility Report?

At this time we are unable to provide patient level detail in the facility report due to security concerns. The system is not secure and there is a risk for data breach. If you want patient level detail, please reach out to the point of contact for each measure (listed in the report) and they can send patient detail using a secure transfer (fax or Managed File Transfer).

What does "Project Year" mean?

"Project Year" refers to the Network's 12-month contract year. This runs from May 1st of one year through April 30th of the next. Project year does NOT align with a calendar year.

