Addendum for Clinicians Who Opted Out of Public Reporting in May or June 2025: Guide to the 2023 Doctors and Clinicians Preview Period Performance Information

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Overview

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) provides the Doctors and Clinicians Preview Period for clinicians and groups to preview their Quality Payment Program (QPP) performance information before the data are publicly reported on the Medicare.gov compare tool and in the Provider Data Catalog (PDC) (§414.1395(d)). The compare tool on Medicare.gov allows Medicare patients and caregivers to find clinicians, as well as incentivizes clinicians and groups to improve patient care. In general, all performance information selected for public reporting must meet our established public reporting standards under §414.1395(b).

The 2023 Doctors and Clinicians Performance Information: Guide to the Preview Period is available in the Downloads section of the <u>Care Compare: Doctors and Clinicians Initiative</u> webpage and describes how to access and review your performance data on the <u>QPP website</u> before it's publicly reported. Brief instructions for access to the QPP website are also available at the end of this document.

To learn more about public reporting for clinicians, visit the <u>Care Compare: Doctors and Clinicians Initiative webpage</u>.

Who should use the Preview Period addendum?

This addendum is for clinicians and groups who opted out of publicly reporting their calendar year (CY) 2023 QPP performance information during the Preview Period that closed on June 25, 2025, but would like a second chance to opt in.

Why would I want to change my opt-out status?

CMS has reopened the 30-day Preview Period after making several updates to the CY 2023 QPP performance data. CMS encourages all clinicians, even those who'd opted out of public reporting, to review their updated performance information before the Preview Period closes again on Thursday, August 21, 2025. Clinicians who opted out previously have a one-time chance to opt in should they change their mind about the public reporting of their performance information after reviewing the updates.

To learn more about public reporting and the CY 2023 Preview Period reopening, visit the <u>Care Compare: Doctors and Clinicians Initiative webpage</u>.

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What steps should I follow to change my opt-out status?

For the reopened Preview Period, clinicians who'd opted out of the public reporting of their CY 2023 QPP performance information should start with Step 3 of the instructions in the 2023 Doctors and Clinicians Performance Information: Guide to the Preview Period, available in the Downloads section of the Clinicians Initiative webpage The remaining steps in the guide haven't changed, so clinicians should continue to follow the rest of its instructions.

3. Go to the Overview page.

The following Overview page will appear for clinicians who opted out of having their CY 2023 QPP performance information publicly reported during the Preview Period that closed in June. Instructions have been added to the information box for clinicians who have reviewed their updated CY 2023 QPP performance information and want to reverse their opt-out status to opt in:

Overview 2023 Doctors and Clinicians Preview Alex Doe at General Medicine Associates NPI: 0123456789 | TIN: 012345678 Preview your individual clinician 2023 performance information by clicking on one of the performance categories below. If you submitted performance information through more than one group, you may have additional performance information available for preview. Clinicians should preview information under each group through which they submitted data. Alex Doe TIN: 012345678 | NPI: 0123456789 This clinician previously elected to opt out of having their calendar year (CY) 2023 performance information publicly reported. However, because this information has changed, this clinician should review their updated data as they have a one-time opportunity to change their mind and opt in. To elect to opt in for CY 2023, please contact the QPP Service Center below and provide the clinician's Name, TIN, NPI, Group Name, and whether the data is being reported at the individual or TIN level. Changes will only be made to the available performance data for CY 2023 if the QPP Service Center is contacted before the preview period closes on 08/21/2025. **Quality Measures Provider Data Catalog** PREVIEW DATA PREVIEW DATA



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Questions and Additional Information

To access the QPP website, users will need a Health Care Quality Information Systems (HCQIS) Access Roles and Profile (HARP) user ID and password.

To learn more about getting a HARP account, visit the How do I access the Doctors and Clinicians Preview Period? Section of the 2023 Doctors and Clinicians Performance Information: Guide to the Preview Period, available in the Downloads section of the Compare: Doctors and Clinicians Initiative webpage or download the QPP Access User Guide (ZIP, 4.1MB).

For HARP and user role assistance and for questions about public reporting for clinicians, the Preview Period, or performance information, contact the QPP Service Center by emailing QPP@cms.hhs.gov, creating a QPP Service Center ticket, or calling 1-866-288-8292 (Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–8 p.m. ET).

People who are deaf or hard of hearing can call 711 to connect with a Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Communications Assistant.

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