

**CMS Process for Public Reporting of Mortality Measures**  
Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) And Heart Failure (HF)

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Dry Run

#### November 2006

- Announcement of “dry run”
- FAQs, timeline, and articles relevant to development of the methodology posted on *QualityNet* website

#### December 2006

- Confidential, hospital-specific reports—with mortality measures calculated from 2003 AMI/HF discharges—made available to the hospital’s public reporting contact via *QualityNet Exchange*
- Hospitals will have 30 days to submit questions and comments about hospital-specific reports to the Colorado QIO at: [mortalitymeasures@coqio.sdps.org](mailto:mortalitymeasures@coqio.sdps.org)

### National Reporting on Hospital Compare

#### April 2007 (tentative)

- 30-day preview of hospital-specific reports on mortality measures, calculated from Third Quarter 2005 through Second Quarter 2006 Medicare discharges for AMI and HF, available on *QualityNet Exchange* (to coincide with Public Reporting preview period for clinical quality measures)
- In conjunction with the 30-day preview, hospital-specific reports made available to hospital’s public reporting contact on *QualityNet Exchange*

#### June 2007

- Mortality measures and clinical quality measures performance data posted on *Hospital Compare*

All questions and comments should be e-mailed to:  
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