



# CMS Data Review Guide: Home Health Star Rating Provider Preview Report

Beginning in April 2015, CMS will publish *Home Health Star Rating Provider Preview* reports as part of the CASPER reporting suite that CMS makes available to all CCNs quarterly. These reports give HHAs an opportunity to review their star rating data before it is finalized for publication. CMS will accept data review requests for several weeks each quarter following the publication of Preview reports to give HHAs an opportunity to contest data that they believe to be inaccurate prior to publication. Details on this process are available on page three of all CMS *Home Health Star Rating Provider Preview* reports.

### CMS Resources

[Sample Report: Home Health Star Rating Provider Preview](#)

[Special Open Door Forum Presentation Slides – Provider Preview Reports: March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015](#)

SHP recommends carefully reviewing the CMS Preview report to verify accuracy of the data. If a significant discrepancy is identified, providers will need to submit a request by April 17, 2015 to [Requesting\\_Review\\_of\\_HHC\\_Star\\_Ratings\\_24\\_HHC\\_Star\\_Ratings\\_Review\\_Request@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Requesting_Review_of_HHC_Star_Ratings_24_HHC_Star_Ratings_Review_Request@cms.hhs.gov) and include provider name, CCN, contact person info, measures affected, date range for data errors, volume and plan for submitting new data.

### Date Ranges

The preview reports that CMS released on April 1, 2015 contain data that will be publicly reported on Home Health Compare in July 2015. These reports will contain data collected over the following rolling 12 month periods:

Outcomes & Process Measures (DC/TRF Date) 01/2014 – 12/2014  
Utilization Outcomes (SOC Date) 10/2013 – 09/2014

The same time lag will be applied to the data in all reporting periods going forward.

### Data Comparison

The scores on your preview report that you should evaluate are in row 12 and 14 of the table on the last page of the report. These are your risk adjusted scores and volume of episodes for each of the nine star rating measures. Providers should validate these scores and values match closely to your expectations. A deeper dive may be necessary to confirm.

Measure Score Cut Points by Initial Decile Rating										
1	Initial Decile Rating	Timely initiation of care	Drug education on all medications	Received flu shot for current season	Improved walking or moving around	Improved getting in and out of bed	Improved bathing	Had less pain moving around	Breathing improved	Admitted to hospital
2	0.5	0.0-79.6	0.0-79.7	0.0-44.0	0.0-43.3	0.0-34.9	0.0-45.7	0.0-43.7	0.0-33.0	20.1-100.0
3	1.0	79.7-85.4	79.8-87.7	44.1-58.1	43.4-50.0	35.0-42.8	45.8-54.5	43.8-53.7	33.1-46.1	18.3-20.0
4	1.5	85.5-88.8	87.8-91.6	58.2-66.1	50.1-54.6	42.9-48.1	54.6-59.5	53.8-59.2	46.2-54.3	17.1-18.2
5	2.0	88.9-91.0	91.7-94.0	66.2-71.3	54.7-57.8	48.2-52.3	59.6-63.2	59.3-63.0	54.4-59.9	16.2-17.0
6	2.5	91.1-92.8	94.1-95.7	71.4-75.4	57.9-60.4	52.4-55.4	63.3-66.3	63.1-66.4	60.0-64.1	15.3-16.1
7	3.0	92.9-94.4	95.8-97.0	75.5-79.0	60.5-62.7	55.5-58.5	66.4-69.0	66.5-69.8	64.2-67.7	14.4-15.2
8	3.5	94.5-95.9	97.1-98.0	79.1-82.4	62.8-65.5	58.6-61.6	69.1-71.9	69.9-73.7	67.8-71.1	13.4-14.3
9	4.0	96.0-97.2	98.1-98.9	82.5-86.5	65.6-68.7	61.7-65.2	72.0-75.3	73.8-78.7	71.2-75.0	11.9-13.3
10	4.5	97.3-98.6	99.0-99.9	86.6-92.2	68.8-74.0	65.3-70.9	75.4-80.7	78.8-86.6	75.1-80.3	10.0-11.8
11	5.0	98.7-100.0	100.0-100.0	92.3-100.0	74.1-100.0	71.0-100.0	80.8-100.0	86.7-100.0	80.4-100.0	0.0-9.9
12	Your HHA Score	94.6	95.6	75.6	57.8	51.8	63.5	70.1	57.9	17.3
13	Your Initial Decile Rating	3.5	2.5	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.5	2.0	1.5
14	Your Number of Cases (N)	4,919	4,860	2,966	3,397	3,246	3,420	2,309	2,883	1,881
15	National (All HHA) Median	93.1	96.3	75.5	60.7	56.2	66.4	67.6	64.8	15.9
16	Your Statistical Test Probability Value (p-value)	0.000	0.264	0.397	0.080	0.000	0.000	0.062	0.000	0.010
17	Your Statistical Test Results (Is the p-value < 0.050?)	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
18	Your HHA Adjusted Rating	3.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	2.0	1.5

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