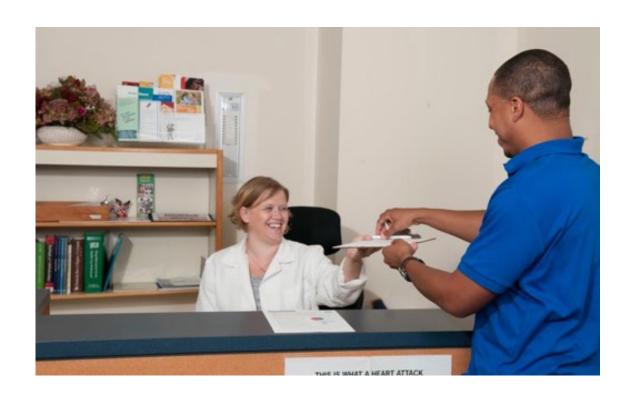


July 2024 EQRS Stakeholder Meeting



Hosted to Gather Feedback & Share Updates on End Stage Renal Disease Quality Reporting System (EQRS)

Today's focus: EQRS basics

July 2024 EQRS Stakeholder Meeting

Monthly EQRS Stakeholder Meetings are hosted to educate and inform End Stage Renal Disease Quality Incentive Program (ESRD QIP) stakeholders regarding EQRS status, upgrades, and enhancements.



Today's meeting is focused on sharing information on basic features of EQRS.

Agenda

Topic		Speaker				
Welcome		Alissa Kapke, MS				
EQRS Overview		Tricia Phulchand, BSN, RN				
Monthly Meeting Goals & Poll for Future To	opics	Tricia Phulchand, BSN, RN				
EQRS Summary & AccessUser Roles & FunctionalityResources		Tricia Phulchand, BSN, RN				
Applying for EQRS Access via Harp		Tricia Phulchand, BSN, RN				
 EQRS Basics Stopwatch Forms Editing in EQRS Facility Dashboard Clinical Dashboards 		Tricia Phulchand, BSN, RN				
Important Dates & Deadlines		Alissa Kapke, MS				
Additional Live Q&A		Steve Hines, PhD				
Upcoming QIP & EQRS Events	FORS Stakeholder Meeting	Alissa Kapke, MS				

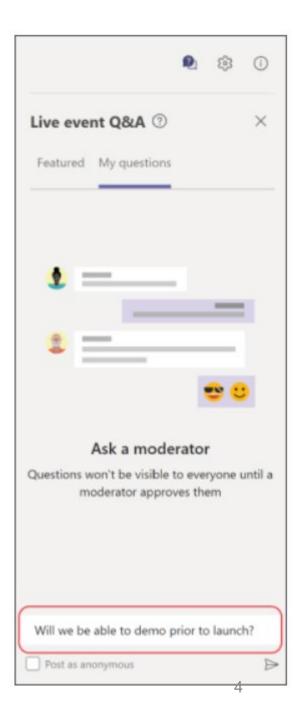
Submitting Questions

- Select Ask a question at the bottom of the panel
- Type your question in the compose box
- Select Send

Please noted that some questions may require additional research.

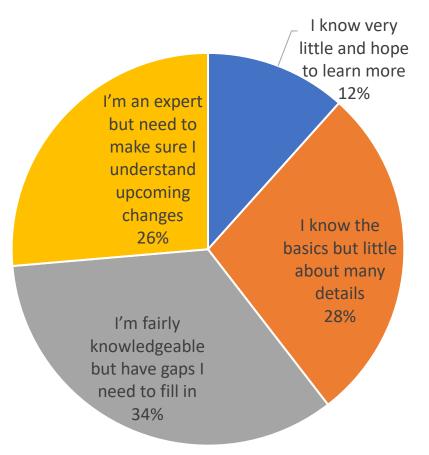
Any unanswered questions can be submitted to

QualityNet Question and Answer Toll

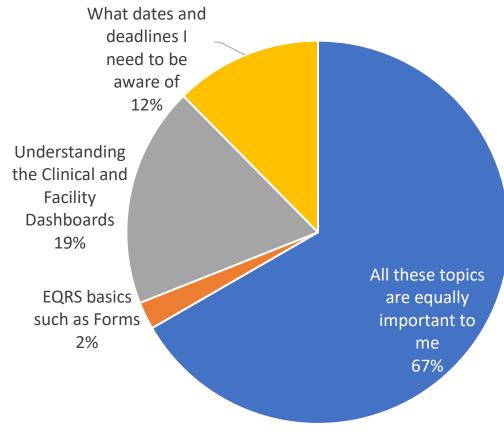


Registration Input

Understanding of EQRS



Learning Priorities



EQRS Overview

What is EQRS?

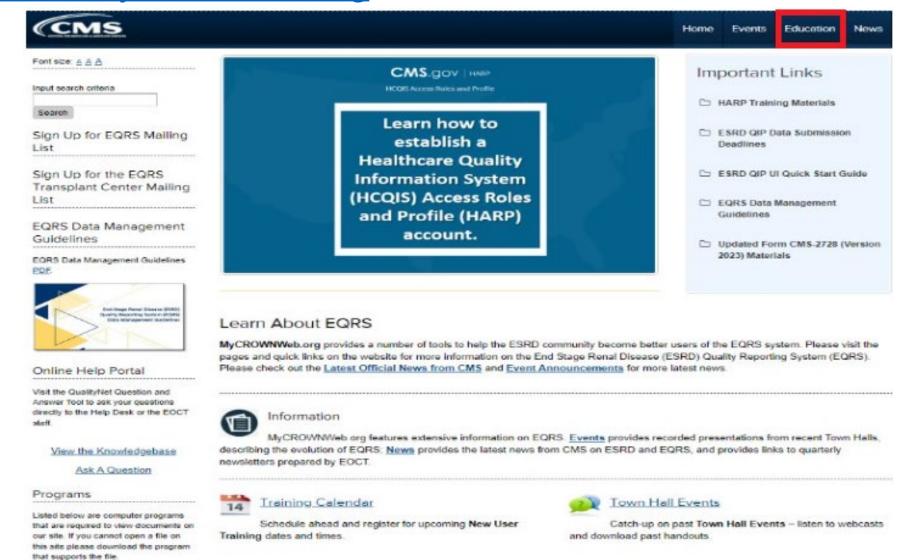
- EQRS stands for the End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Quality Reporting System.
- It is the CMS patient registry used to track ESRD patients whether they are on dialysis or have received a kidney transplant.
- It is an essential data source for the ESRD Quality Incentive Program (QIP).
- It collects patient demographics, and clinical data, calculates Medicare coverage periods, and measures and scores the quality of care dialysis facilities provide.

Who needs access to EQRS and why?

Dialysis Facility Staff	Patient Admissions and Discharges	CMS 2728/2744/2746 Forms	Clinical Data	Depression Screenings	PD Infection	QIP Scores	Transplant Waitlist Data	Vaccination Data	Vascular Access Data
Administrators/ Managers	1		\	/	/	\	1	1	\
Administrative Assistants/ Unit Secretaries			\						
Nurses and/or Patient Care Technicians					>		>		\
Social Workers				*			1		

Where should I begin?

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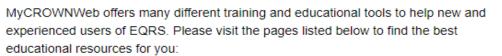
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Educational Resources



EQRS Educational Resources





Virtual Training Calendar

EQRS Resources:

- ★ EQRS Data Submission Stopwatch
- ★ EQRS Quick Start Guide Revised: 08/23/2023
- ★ Form (2728, 2746) Modifications Process Update
- ★ CMS 2728 Form: Completion Process
- ★ EQRS: Admit/Discharge Guidance Revised: 08/03/2022
- ★ Telemedicine Usage FAQs
- ★ EQRS Minimum Computer Specifications
- ★ CMS-2744 Annual Facility Survey

Transplant User Training Resources

- ★ HARP Training for Transplant Facilities Revised on: 03/09/2023
- ★ Transplant Center Waitlist Dashboard Training Video
- ★ Transplant Center Waitlist Dashboard Training Slides
- ★ Transplant Center Waitlist Dashboard Training Transcript
- ★ EQRS Transplant Role Quick Start Guide Revised: 07/19/2023

ESRD Quality Incentive Program (ESRD QIP):



End-Stage Renal Disease Quality Incentive Program (ESRD QIP)

Payment Year (PY) 2024

ESRD QIP User Interface (UI) Quick Start Guide

The End-Stage Renal Disease Quality Incentive Program (ESRD QIP) User Interface (UI) Quick Start Guide is now

Applying for EQRS Access

How do I apply for EQRS access?

Complete the Healthcare Quality Information System Access Roles and Profile (HARP) account registration process, if needed.

- A single HARP account is needed to access multiple CMS applications.
- Register for a HARP account: https://harp.cms.gov/register/profile-info
- Access HARP training materials: https://mycrownweb.org/harp-training/



Note: In order to complete remote identity proofing, you will be asked 4 to 5 questions about past addresses, employers, and possibly loans.

Please note this is not a credit check.

Remote Identity Proofing

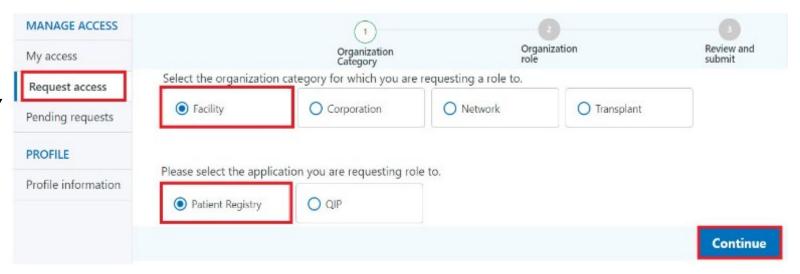
Examples of types of questions posed in remote identity proofing:

- Have you lived at any of the following addresses?
 - a. 123 Elm St
 - b. 123 Pine St
 - c. 123 Grove St
 - d. None of the above
- 2. Which of the following is a current or previous employer?
 - a. Bush Pharmaceuticals
 - b. Kennedy First Bank
 - c. Hoover Industries
 - d. None of the above
- You may have taken out a car loan in or around May of 2023. Please select the lender to whom you currently make your payments or made payments.
 - a. First State Bank
 - b. Second Street Credit Union
 - c. Third and Fourth Financial Institution
 - d. None of the Above

Requesting a Role in EQRS

Log in to EQRS with HARP account at https://eqrs.cms.gov/globalapp/.

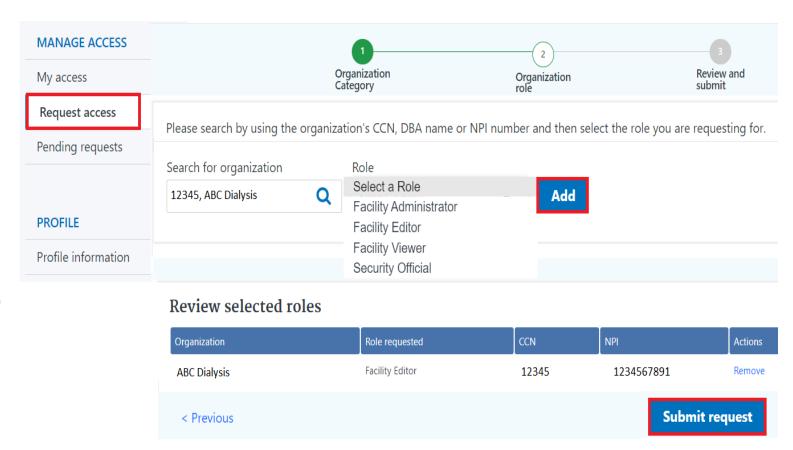
- Review the applications listed on the My Access screen in EQRS.
- Select Request access
- Select *Facility*
- Select Patient Registry
- Click Continue



Requesting a Role in EQRS (continued)

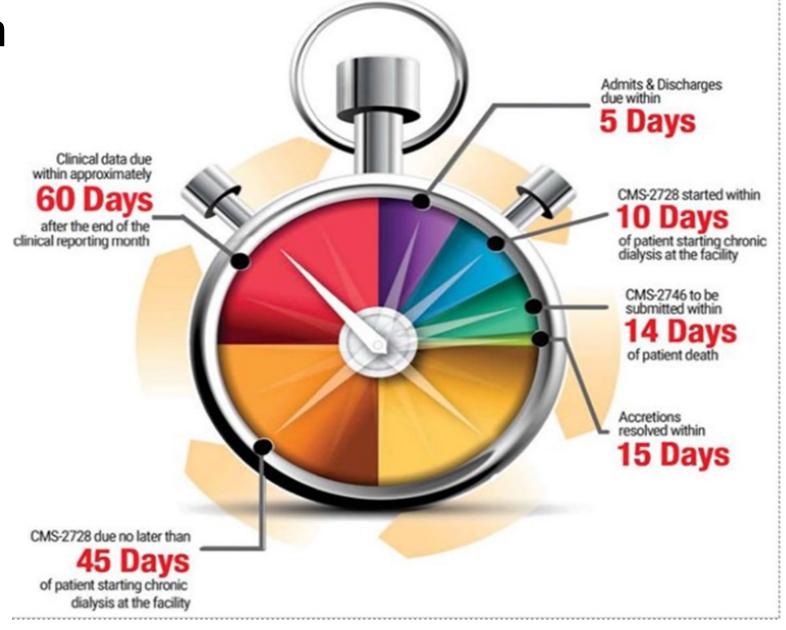
- Type in organization name or CCN
- Select a role
 - Facility Administrator (only viewing privileges)
 - Facility Editor (allows user to add/make changes)
 - Facility Viewer
 (only viewing privileges)
 - Security Official

 (approves roles for additional staff)
- Click Add
- Click Submit request



EQRS Basics

EQRS Stopwatch



What CMS ESRD forms should be submitted in EQRS?

- CMS 2728: ESRD Medical Evidence Report
 - Initial 2728
 - When the patient is first diagnosed as ESRD including initiation of chronic dialysis or a kidney transplantation
 - Provides medical evidence of ESRD for Medicare entitlement
 - Due within 45 days of patient being admitted to your facility
 - Re-Entitlement 2728
 - When a patient resumes chronic dialysis 3 or more years after receiving a transplant
 - When a patient resumes chronic dialysis after 1 or more years after recovering native kidney function
 - Due within 45 days of patient being admitted to your facility
 - Supplemental 2728
 - When a newly diagnosed chronic patient moves from in-center hemodialysis to a home modality (home hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis) within the first 90 days of chronic dialysis start date
 - When a newly diagnosed chronic patient is transplanted within the first 90 days of chronic dialysis start date
 - Due within 45 days of patient changing to a home modality or receiving a kidney transplant

CMS forms (continued)

- CMS 2746: ESRD Death Notification
 - Notifies Medicare of the date and cause of an ESRD patient's death
 - Due within 14 days of a patient's death
- o CMS 2744
 - The survey is a CMS Office of Management and Budget reporting requirement for all dialysis and transplant facilities to provide information to CMS.
 - 2744A: ESRD Facility Survey (Dialysis Units)
 - Captures all activity including patient admissions and discharges, Medicare coverage, vocational rehabilitation, facility treatment, number of home training days, and staffing data for the previous year (January 1- December 31)
 - 2744B: ESRD Facility Survey (Transplant Hospitals)
 - Captures all activity including transplants performed, Medicare status, and waitlist information for the previous year (January 1- December 31)

Due annually

What is the difference between Save and Submit for CMS 2728/2746 forms?

Save

- Allows changes to be made to the 2728s and 2746s
- Forms in saved status are not considered submitted and would be considered late if not submitted by their due date

Submit

- Double-check everything before submitting
- There's no turning back now!!!

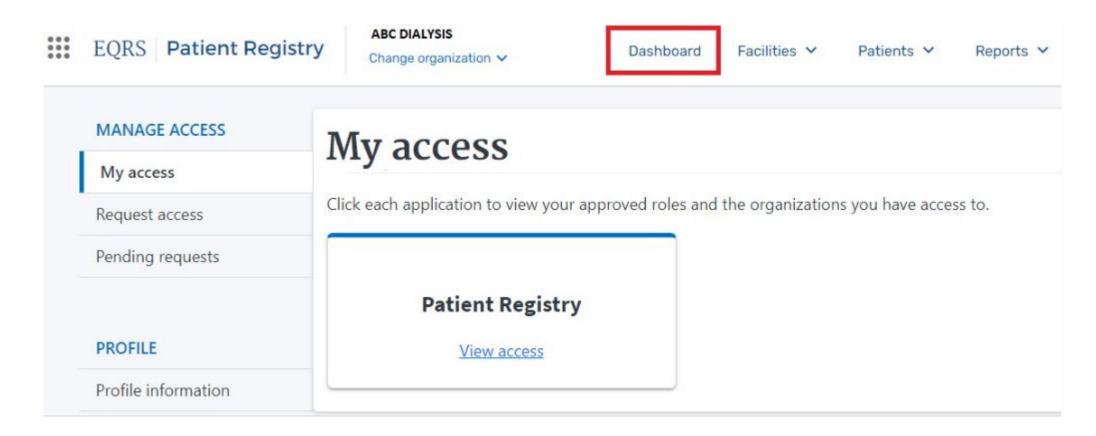
Can I edit information in EQRS?

Any screen that gives the ability to edit will have an "Edit" option toward the top of the screen of each page.

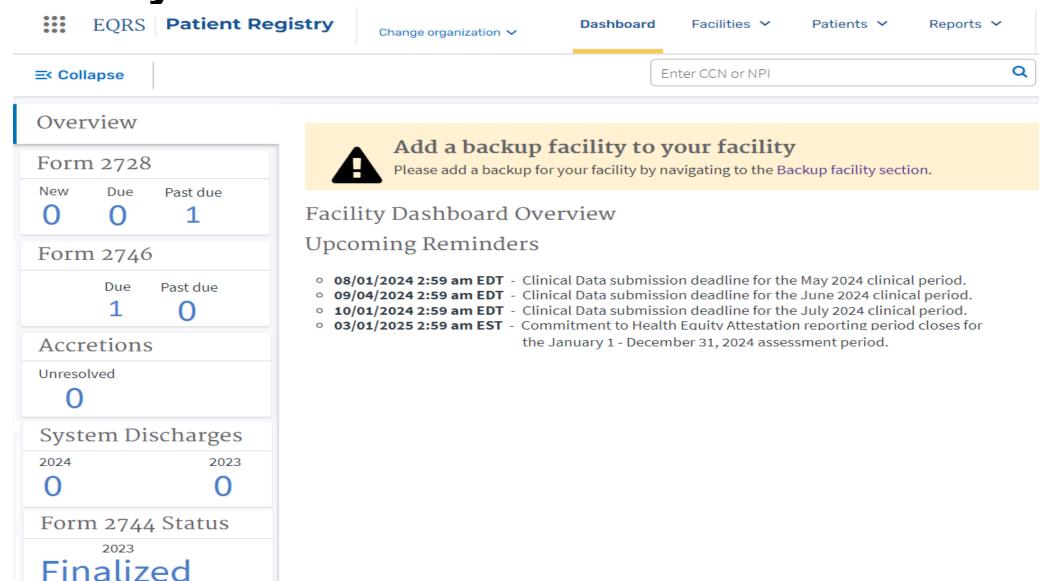


What is the Facility Dashboard and how do I get to it?

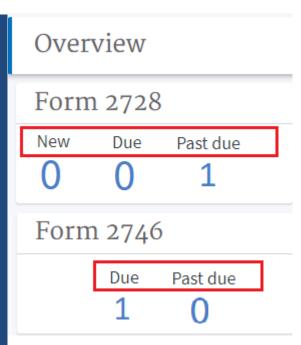
Provides an overview of data that needs to be submitted in EQRS but is dependent on what has been entered into EQRS



Facility Dashboard

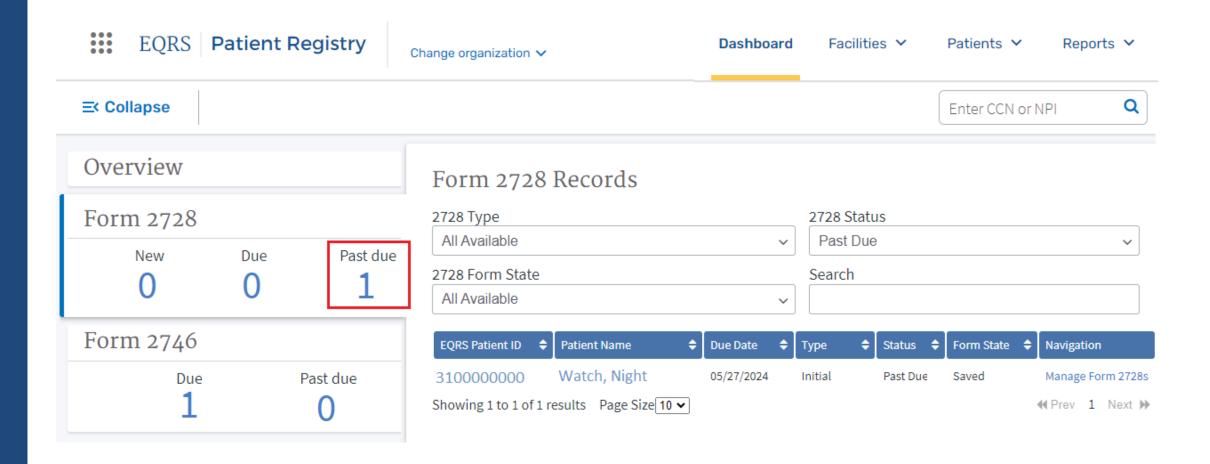


Facility Dashboard



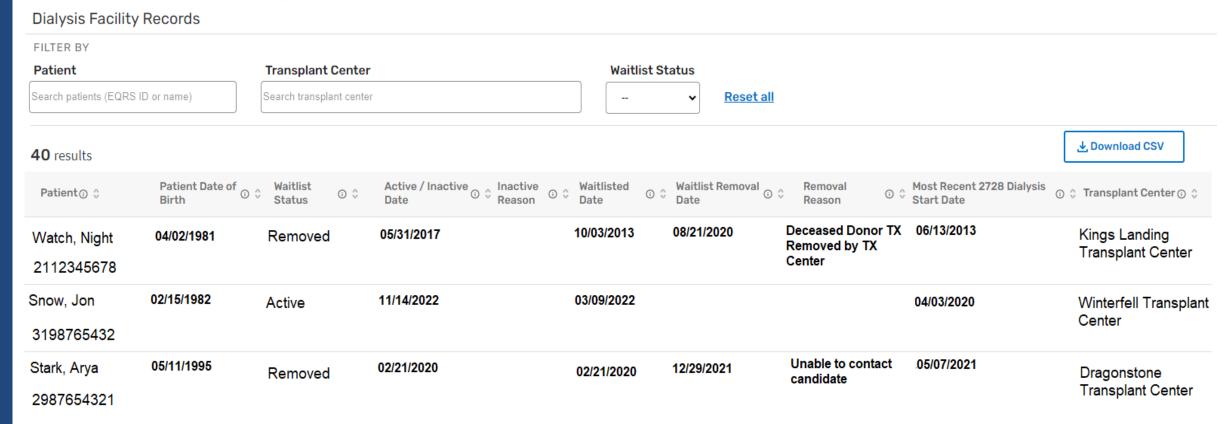
- Form 2728
 - New
 - Forms that are within 10 calendar days of the patient admit date
 - Due
 - Forms that are more than 10 days but less than 45 calendar days of the patient's admit date
 - Past Due (LATE)
 - Forms that are more than 45 calendar days of the patients admit date which means the form is LATE
- Form 2746
 - Due
 - Forms that are within 14 calendar days of the patient's date of death
 - Past Due (LATE)
 - Forms that are more than 14 calendar days after the patient's date of death which means the form is LATE

Addressing Missing Forms from Facility Dashboard



Dialysis Facility Transplant Dashboard

Dialysis Facility Transplant Waitlist



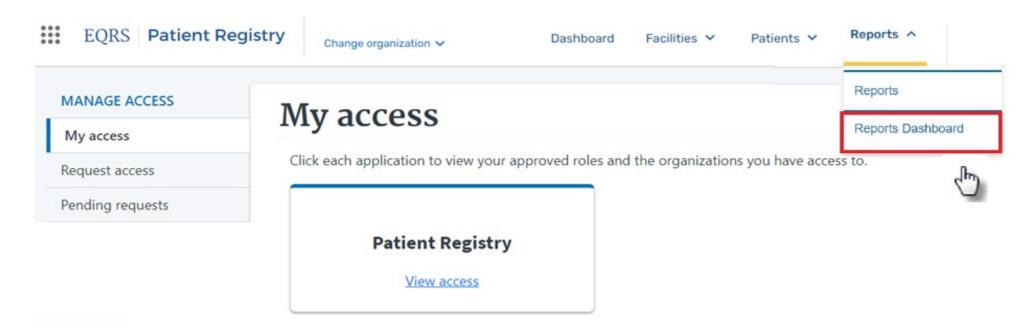
Clinical Dashboard Reports

Dashboard Reports: Overview

- On September 5, 2023, CMS added a dashboard reports feature in EQRS.
- Users can access the Reports screen by clicking **Reports Dashboards** from the Reports drop-down tab in EQRS.
- New dashboards will be added to the Reports screen continually.
- Dashboard content is specific to the user's access and role in EQRS.
- Dashboard generated reports can be downloaded via the CSV or Excel function within the reports.
 CSV is the preferred method for downloading reports.
- The following are the current dashboards in the Reports screen:
 - Facility Hemodialysis and Peritoneal Dialysis Clinical Dashboards (released September 2023)
 - Facility Influenza Vaccination Dashboard (released January 2024)
 - Facility Pneumococcal Pneumonia Vaccination Dashboard (released February 2024)
 - Facility Vascular Access Clinical Dashboard (released May 2024)
 - Facility Clinical Depression Dashboard (released June 2024)

Accessing Clinical Dashboards

Click **Reports Dashboards** from the Reports drop-down tab in the navigation menu.

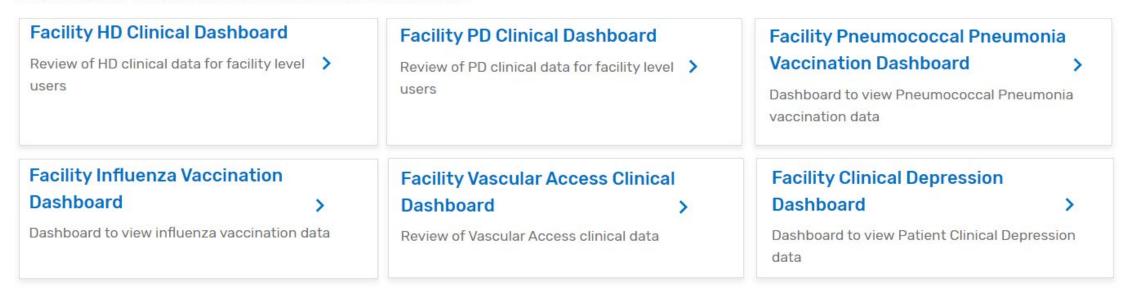


Clinical Dashboard Screen

Click on **Desired Dashboard**

Reports

Download and view dashboards of various datasets in EQRS.



Downloadable Dashboard Reports

Users will be able to select a reporting period and generate reports from each of the available Clinical Dashboards:

Facility Aggregate report:

- Facility information: Network, CMS Certification Number (CCN), Owned By, EDI Organization,
 EDI Facility ID, Facility Name and ID, Patients Total At Facility
- Includes the number of patients and number of submitted clinical values/categories

Patient Details report:

- Facility information: Network, EDI Organization and ID, EDI Facility ID, CCN, Name, Owned By
- Patient information specific to selected clinical dashboard

Latest Clinical Dashboards

Facility Vascular Access Clinical Dashboard

Facility Vascular Access Clinical Dashboard

Data Source:

- Clinical data for these tables is sourced from EQRS.
- · Only data in a submitted status is included in the report.
- · Clinical data is refreshed on a weekly basis each weekend.

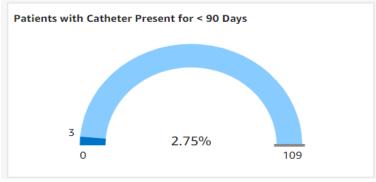
Technical Details:

- Data appearing in these tables is queried from the Centralized Data Repository (CDR).
- · Changes made in EQRS will not be reflected immediately in this report.

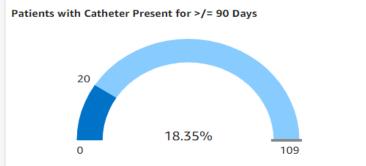
Clinical Period 2024-01-01

Instructions:

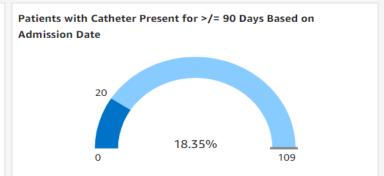
- In order to view Vascular Access clinical data please select a desired clinical month from the Clinical Period dropdown field. Once the date is entered, press the enter key or click anywhere on the screen to run the query and populate the dashboard.
- Additional patient and facility filters are also available. Scroll down to display tables available for the dashboard. If you wish to export data from any table to a csv or excel report, click on the tools icon in the upper right corner of the table.
- Alternatively, the tab key may be used to select a table. Press the enter key with a table selected to move the focus to the tools for that table without a mouse.







"Patients with Catheter Present for >/= 90 Days" represents prevalent hemodialysis patients (with submitted vascular access data and includes patients that have declared that clinical data submission is N/A for the clinical month) that have a catheter present for greater than or equal to 90 days based on the last day of the selected clinical month.



"Patients with Catheter Present for >/= 90 Days Based on Admission Date" represents prevalent hemodialysis patients (with submitted vascular access data and includes patients that have declared that clinical data submission is N/A for the clinical month) that have a catheter present for greater than or equal to 90 days and if the patient has been admitted to the facility for 90 days as of the last day of the selected clinical month.

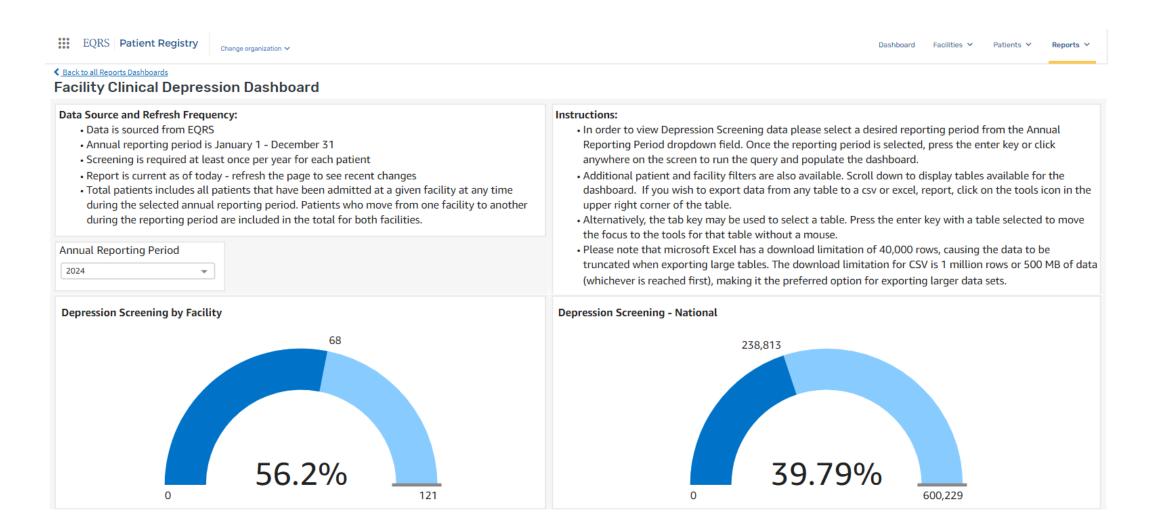
Facility Vascular Access Clinical Dashboard

Vascular Access Facility Aggregate

Clinical Period	Facility CCN	Affiliation	Facility Name	Facility ID	Vascular Access Patient Count	Patients with Long Term Catheter Present for < 90 Days: Count	Term Catheter Present for < 90	Patients with Long	Catheter Present for >/= 90	Patients with Long Term Catheter Based on Admission: Count	Patien Cathet Admis
Jan-2024		ABC ORGANIZATION	ABC DIALYSIS	300000060	109	3	2.75%	20	18.35%	20	

The **Facility Aggregate** reflects the number of access types and total number of patients for a specific clinical period.

Facility Clinical Depression Dashboard



Facility Clinical Depression Dashboard

Depression Screening - Facility Summary												
Facility Name	Facility ID	EDI Organization	EDI Facility ID	Owned By	Network	Total Patients	Screened Patients	Missing	Screening Rate	Positive - Follow Up Documented	Positive - No Follow Up - Not Eligible	Positive - I No Reason
ABC DIALYSIS	300000060	ABC DIALYSIS	101304	ABC DIALYSIS	3	121	68	53	56.2%	0	0	

The **Facility Summary** report displays facility and depression information by the total number of patients.

Who do I contact if I need help?

When should I contact the QualityNet (QNet) Helpdesk, my ESRD Network or my Corporate Entity?

QualityNet Help Desk	ESRD Network	Corporate Entity For Electronic Data Submitters
 HARP Account Management QIP questions Receiving errors in EQRS Trouble logging in to EQRS Two records exist for the same patient and need to be merged** 	 Editing submitted CMS 2728/2746 forms Questions about admit and discharge reasons Trouble admitting a patient Two records exist for the same patient and need to be merged** Updating a failed transplant patient's transplant status to Non-functioning Updating patient page after a patient has been discharged 	 Batch submission errors Missing data in EQRS Patients are not showing up in EQRS after more than 7 days after being admitted to your facility

^{**}Please note that records merges are listed under both the Helpdesk and the ESRD Network.

Each network handles these requests differently.

How do I contact QualityNet Helpdesk and my ESRD Network?

- QualityNet Help Desk
 - o Email
 - gnetsupport-esrd@cms.hhs.gov
 - Online Ticket submission
 - https://cmsqualitysupport.servicenowservices.com/ccsq_support_central
 - Phone
 - **1**-(866)-288-8912
- ESRD Network
 - Identify your ESRD Network by using the map in this link
 - https://esrdncc.org/en/ESRD-network-map//

Things to Remember

- EQRS must be accessed in the Chrome Browser ONLY
- Please DO NOT include Personally Identifiable
 Information (PII) (this includes but is not limited to a patient's
 name, date of birth, Social Security Number or
 Medicare Beneficiary Identifier) to the QNet Helpdesk or
 your ESRD Network via email or through online ticket
 submissions. The only acceptable patient specific identifier is
 the EQRS ID number.

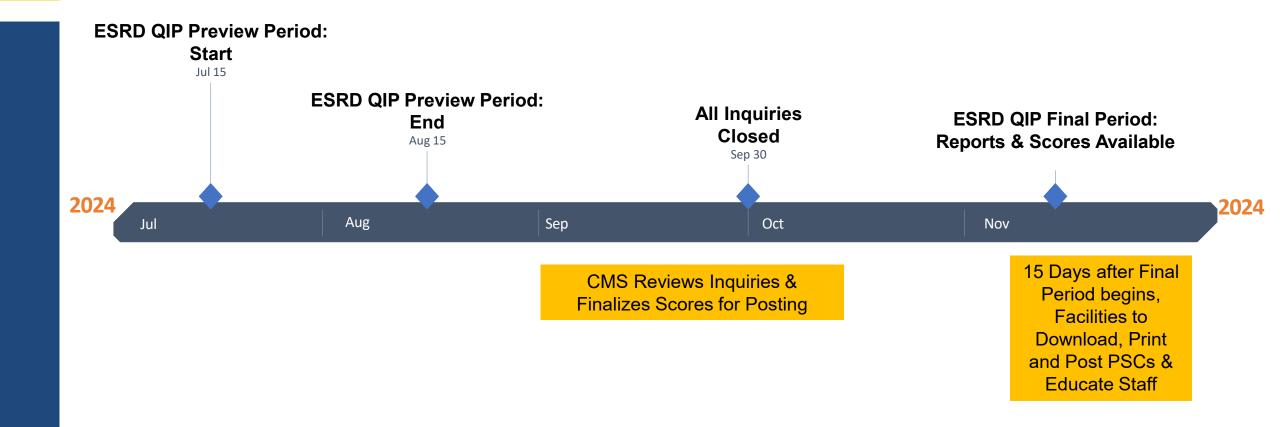
View Patient Demographics (Itsa Patient - 3100008572)

Coming Soon

Upcoming New Features, Events & Deadlines

- ESRD QIP preview period
- CMS Form 2728 and 2746 updates
- Clinical data submission deadlines
- Depression screening deadlines
- ICH CAHPS attestation submission deadline
- Facility Commitment to Health Equity attestation submission deadline
- NHSN data submission deadlines

Preview Period Reminders



Updates to CMS 2728 and 2746 forms

- New form versions will be available in EQRS in October 2024
- Become familiar with the new forms
 - o CMS 2728
 - o CMS 2746

EQRS Clinical Data Submission Deadlines

Data Submission Schedule for 2024 EQRS Clinical Data		
Reporting Month Data Submission Deadline		
March 2024	June 3, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
April 2024	July 1, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
May 2024	July 31, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
June 2024	September 3, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
July 2024	September 30, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
August 2024	October 31, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
September 2024	December 2, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
October 2024	December 31, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
November 2024	February 3, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT	
December 2024	March 3, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT	

Note: For additional information on the ESRD QIP measures, refer to the Calendar Year (CY) 2024 ESRD QIP Technical Measure Specifications.

EQRS Depression Screening and Follow-Up Submission Deadline

EQRS Submission Schedule for 2024 Depression Screening and Follow-Up Assessments		
Assessment Period	Data Submission Deadline	
January 1 – December 31, 2024	March 3, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT	

Note: For additional information on the Clinical Depression Screening and Follow Up measure, refer to the CY 2024 ESRD QIP Technical Measure Specifications.

ICH CAHPS Attestation Submission Deadline

EQRS Submission Schedule for 2024 In-Center Hemodialysis Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (ICH CAHPS) Attestation		
Attestation Year	Data Submission Deadline	
January 1 – December 31, 2024	March 3, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT	

Note: For additional information on the ICH CAHPS Survey measure, refer to the CY 2024 ESRD QIP Technical Measure Specifications.

Facility Commitment to Health Equity Attestation Submission Deadline

EQRS Submission Schedule for Facility Commitment to Health Equity Attestation

Attestation Year	Data Submission Deadline	
January 1 – December 31, 2024	March 3, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT	

Note: For additional information on the Facility Commitment to Health Equity measure, refer to the CY 2024 ESRD QIP Technical Measure Specifications.

NHSN ESRD Data Submission Deadlines

Data Submission Schedule for 2024 NHSN ESRD Data: Dialysis Events, Bloodstream Infections, and COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel

Quarter	2024 Reporting Months	Data Submission Deadline
1	January-March	July 1, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT
2	April-June	September 30, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT
3	July-September	December 31, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. PT
4	October-December	March 31, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. PT

Facilities must submit NHSN data by the established deadlines. Not meeting the required reporting deadlines puts your facility at risk for an ESRD QIP payment reduction.

Note: For additional information on the NHSN measures, refer to the CY 2024 ESRD QIP Technical Measure Specifications.

EQRS Data Reporting: Additional Information

EQRS data submission deadlines are listed on MyCROWNWeb.org: EQRS deadlines for CY 2024 Data

Additional information on EQRS data reporting requirements is available on MyCROWNWeb.org:

- EQRS Data Submission Stopwatch
- EQRS Data Management Guidelines
- ESRD QIP Successful Reporting Guide

Questions & Answers



For additional help contact:

- QualityNet Help Desk
 - o Email
 - qnetsupport-esrd@cms.hhs.gov
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 - Phone
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Upcoming ESRD QIP & EQRS Events

Save the Dates!

All events are scheduled to begin at 2 pm ET		
EQRS Monthly Stakeholder Meeting -Today's Webinar	7/30/2024	
Proposed Rule Webinar	8/13/2024	
EQRS Monthly Stakeholder Meeting	8/27/2024	
EQRS Monthly Stakeholder Meeting -Mid-to-late September 2024	TBD	
EQRS Quarterly Townhall Meeting -Mid-to-late September 2024	TBD	

Event Slides and Recordings

Recordings and slides from all ESRD QIP and EQRS events are all posted shortly after the events at: https://mycrownweb.org/events/

Post-Event Evaluation

Please complete a short post-event evaluation by clicking on the link in the Chat box. Your feedback will help improve future events.