

### The Least You Need to Know:

CMS has published individual home health agency's five star preview reports for April 2023. Each quarter, as the CMS Care Compare website is refreshed with updated five star quality data for public view, CMS also provides each home health agency with a preview of their scores to allow for review prior to publication.

### What should we pay attention to?

Each home health agency should review their Preview Reports and Star Rating Preview reports in iQIES. This allows you to ensure accuracy and know your agency's new rating that will be published next quarter, in April of 2023.

For this refresh, Home Health (HH) Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) will be based on the standard number of quarters. Due to the COVID-19 reporting exceptions, the claims-based measures have been calculated excluding Q1 and Q2 2020 data from measure calculations.

For additional information, please see the HH QRP COVID-19 Public Reporting Tip Sheet in the downloads section of the [HH Quality Reporting Training](#) webpage and the [Home Health Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

### Links to More Information

#### Care Compare

<https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/>

#### HH Quality Reporting Training

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/HomeHealthQualityInits/Home-Health-Quality-Reporting-Training>

#### Home Health Data Submission Deadlines

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/HomeHealthQualityInits/Home-Health-Quality-Reporting-Data-Submission>

## Actions of a Prudent Home Health Agency™

**ONE.** Review your agency's data on Care Compare.

**TWO.** Retrieve your Preview reports from iQIES. Compare how the refresh in April will impact your current scores.

**THREE.** Identify any gaps where your agency is scoring lower than the national average. Utilize this information in a QAPI process to find roads to improvement.

