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# 42 U.S. Code § 1395w-5

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## Public reporting of performance information

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### (a) In general

#### (1) Development

Not later than January 1, 2011, the Secretary shall develop a Physician Compare Internet website with information on physicians enrolled in the Medicare program under section 1866(j) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395cc(j)) and other eligible professionals who participate in the Physician Quality Reporting Initiative under section 1848 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-4).

#### (2) Plan

Not later than January 1, 2013, and with respect to reporting periods that begin no earlier than January 1, 2012, the Secretary shall also implement a plan for making publicly available through Physician Compare, consistent with subsection (c), information on physician performance that provides comparable information for the public on quality and patient experience measures with respect to physicians enrolled in the Medicare program under such section 1866(j). To the extent scientifically sound measures that are developed consistent with the requirements of this section are available, such information, to the extent practicable, shall include—

- (A) measures collected under the Physician Quality Reporting Initiative;
- (B) an assessment of patient health outcomes and the functional status of patients;
- (C) an assessment of the continuity and coordination of care and care transitions, including episodes of care and risk-adjusted resource use;
- (D) an assessment of efficiency;
- (E) an assessment of patient experience and patient, caregiver, and family engagement;
- (F) an assessment of the safety, effectiveness, and timeliness of care; and
- (G) other information as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

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