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Data Collection & Analysis

§§482.21(a), 482.21(b)(1), 482.21(b)(2)(i), & 482.21(b)(3)

§482.21(a) Standard: Program Scope

(1) The program must include, but not be limited to, an ongoing program that shows measurable improvement in indicators for which there is evidence that it will improve health outcomes....

(2) The hospital must measure, analyze, and track quality indicators...and other

aspects of performance that assess processes of care, hospital service and operations.

§482.21(b) Standard: Program Data.

- (1) The program must incorporate quality indicator data including patient care data, and other relevant data such as data submitted to or received from Medicare quality reporting and quality performance programs, including but not limited to data related to hospital readmissions and hospital-acquired conditions.**
- (2) The hospital must use the data collected to--**
 - (i) Monitor the effectiveness and safety of services and quality of care; and...**
- (3) The frequency and detail of data collection must be specified by the hospital's governing body.**