

Quality Improvement Activities

§§482.21(b)(2)(ii), 482.21(c)(1) & 482.21 (c)(3)

§482.21(b)(2) Standard: Program Data

The hospital must use the data collected to--...

(ii) Identify opportunities for improvement and changes that will lead to improvement.

§482.21(c) Standard: Program Activities

(1) The hospital must set priorities for its performance improvement activities that--

(i) Focus on high-risk, high-volume, or problem-prone areas;

(ii) Consider the incidence, prevalence, and severity of problems in those areas; and

(iii) Affect health outcomes, patient safety, and quality of care.

(3) The hospital must take actions aimed at performance improvement and, after implementing those actions, the hospital must measure its success, and track performance to ensure that improvements are sustained.