

Dialysis Facility Care Compare on Medicare.gov (DFCC) July 2024 Data Refresh Questions & Answers

What is Dialysis Facility Care Compare on Medicare.gov (DFCC)?

Dialysis Facility Care Compare on Medicare.gov, formerly known as Dialysis Facility Compare, is a website that allows patients and health centers to view and compare quality data about dialysis facilities. CMS also uses these data, organized into a series of measures, to create a star rating system that can help patients make educated decisions about where to get their dialysis treatments.

What measures will be updated in the July 2024 refresh?

With the July 2024 data refresh, these measures for dialysis facilities were updated with data from October 2022- September 2023:

- Adult and child patients who had enough waste removed from their blood during hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis
- Adult patients who had too much calcium in their blood
- Hemoglobin management (Downloadable Data Only)
- Phosphorus concentrations in the blood (Downloadable Data Only)
- Adult patients who received treatment through an arteriovenous fistula
- Adult patients who had a catheter (tube) left in a vein for at least 3 consecutive complete months, for their regular hemodialysis treatments
- Measurement of nPCR for Pediatric Hemodialysis Patients
- Patients who were on the kidney or kidney-pancreas transplant waiting list
- HCP vaccination

Are the star ratings updated with the July data refresh?

No, the star ratings are not updated with the July refresh. The next update of the star ratings will be with the October 2024 release.

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