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Data Dictionary for Hospice Compare

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Version History

Version Number	Date	Details
1.0	August 2017	Measures Added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Treatment Preferences (NQF#1641, CMS ID: H001.01) - Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by the patient) (NQF#1647, CMS ID: H002.01) - Pain Screening (NQF#1634, CMS ID: H003.01) - Pain Assessment (NQF#1637, CMS ID: H004.01) - Dyspnea Screening (NQF#1639, CMS ID: H005.01) - Dyspnea Treatment (NQF#1638, CMS ID: H006.01) - Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen (NQF#1617, CMS ID: H007.01)
2.0	February 2018	Measures Added: Top-box scores for CAHPS Hospice Survey measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication with family (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_001.01) - Getting timely help (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_002.01) - Treating patient with respect (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_003.01) - Emotional and spiritual support (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_004.01) - Help for pain and symptoms (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_005.01) - Training family to care for patient (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_006.01) - Rating of this hospice (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_007.01) - Willing to recommend this hospice (NQF#2651, CMS ID: HC_008.01)
3.0	May 2018	Table Added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zip Code Variables Measures Added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Middle- and bottom-box scores for CAHPS Hospice Survey measures

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Table 1: General Information Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Provider Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City	Character	The name of the city where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
Zip Code	Character	The five-digit postal zip code where the hospice is located. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a four-digit zip code listed in the CSV file.
County Name	Character	The name of the county where the hospice is located.
Phone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx) yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Main, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4= Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p> <p>9=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming</p> <p>9=San Francisco:</p>

		Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories 10=Seattle: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington
Ownership Type	Character	Indicates the hospice's ownership type: For Profit, Non-Profit, Government, Combination Government & Non-Profit, Other.
Certification Date	Date	The initial Medicare certification date of the hospice.

Table 2: Zip Code Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice's main office is located.
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Zip Code	Character	The five-digit ZIP code where the hospice provides services.

Table 3: National Hospice Item Set Data Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. However, since this is the national data set, the CCN is listed as “Nation.”
Measure Code	Character	<p>The measure code consists of the CMS ID (prefix) and the variable name (suffix) for the corresponding measure score.</p> <p>H_001_01= Treatment Preferences</p> <p>H_002_01= Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by the patient)</p> <p>H_003_01= Pain Screening</p> <p>H_004_01= Pain Assessment</p> <p>H_005_01= Dyspnea Screening</p> <p>H_006_01= Dyspnea Treatment</p> <p>H_007_01= Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen</p>
Measure Name	Character	<p>The measure name for the corresponding measure code.</p> <p>Treatment Preferences = NQF#1641, CMS ID: H001.01</p> <p>Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by the patient) = NQF#1647, CMS ID: H002.01</p> <p>Pain Screening = NQF#1634, CMS ID: H003.01</p> <p>Pain Assessment = NQF#1637, CMS ID: H004.01</p> <p>Dyspnea Screening = NQF#1639, CMS ID: H005.01</p> <p>Dyspnea Treatment = NQF#1638, CMS ID: H006.01</p> <p>Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen = NQF#1617, CMS ID: H007.01</p>
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code and name.
Footnote	Numeric	Indicates the relevant footnote. Currently, there are no footnotes related to the national data.
Start Date	Date	The start date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score.
End Date	Date	The end date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score.

Table 4: National CAHPS® Hospice Survey Data Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
Measure Code	Character	<p>TEAM_COMM_TBV = Communication with family, top-box score</p> <p>TEAM_COMM_MBV = Communication with family, middle-box score</p> <p>TEAM_COMM_BBV = Communication with family, bottom-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_TBV = Getting timely help, top-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_MBV = Getting timely help, middle-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_BBV = Getting timely help, bottom-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_TBV = Treating patient with respect, top-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_MBV = Treating patient with respect, middle-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_BBV = Treating patient with respect, bottom-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_TBV = Emotional and spiritual support, top-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_MBV = Emotional and spiritual support, middle-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_BBV = Emotional and spiritual support, bottom-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_TBV = Help for pain and symptoms, top-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_MBV = Help for pain and symptoms, middle-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_BBV = Help for pain and symptoms, bottom-box score</p> <p>TRAINING_TBV = Training family to care for patient, top-box score</p>

		<p>TRAINING_MBV = Training family to care for patient, middle-box score</p> <p>TRAINING_BBV = Training family to care for patient, bottom-box score</p> <p>RATING_TBV = Rating of this hospice, top-box score</p> <p>RATING_MBV = Rating of this hospice, middle-box score</p> <p>RATING_BBV = Rating of this hospice, bottom-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_TBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, top-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_MBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, middle-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_BBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, bottom-box score</p>
Measure Name	Character	<p>Measure name and description of response categories for the corresponding measure code.</p> <p>Communication with family, top-box score = The hospice team always communicated well</p> <p>Communication with family, middle-box score = The hospice team usually communicated well</p> <p>Communication with family, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never communicated well</p> <p>Getting timely help, top-box score = The hospice team always provided timely help</p> <p>Getting timely help, middle-box score = The hospice team usually provided timely help</p> <p>Getting timely help, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never provided timely help</p> <p>Treating patient with respect, top-box score = The hospice team always treated the patient with respect</p> <p>Treating patient with respect, middle-box score = The hospice team usually treated the patient with respect</p>

		<p>Treating patient with respect, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never treated the patient with respect</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, top-box score = The hospice team provided the right amount of emotional and spiritual support</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, middle-box score = Not applicable (no middle-box score for this measure)</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, bottom-box score = The hospice team provided too little or too much emotional and spiritual support</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, top-box score = The patient always got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, middle-box score = The patient usually got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, bottom-box score = The patient sometimes or never got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, top-box score = Caregivers “definitely” received the training they needed</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, middle-box score = Caregivers “somewhat” received the training they needed</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, bottom-box score = Caregivers did not receive the training they needed</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, top-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 9 or 10</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, middle-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 7 or 8</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, bottom-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 6 or lower</p> <p>Willing to recommend this hospice, top-box score = YES, caregivers would definitely recommend the hospice</p> <p>Willing to recommend this hospice, middle-box</p>
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		<p>score = YES, caregivers would probably recommend the hospice</p> <p>Willing to recommend this hospice, bottom-box score = NO, caregivers would probably not or definitely not recommend the hospice</p>
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Numeric	Indicates the relevant footnote. Currently, there are no footnotes related to the national data.
Start Date	Date	The start date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care.
End Date	Date	The end date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care.

Table 5: Provider Hospice Item Set Data Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Provider Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City	Character	The name of the city where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
Zip Code	Character	The five-digit postal zip code where the hospice is located. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a four-digit zip code listed in the CSV file.
County Name	Character	The name of the county where the hospice is located.
Phone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx) yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Main, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4= Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p> <p>9=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming</p> <p>9=San Francisco:</p>

		<p>Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories</p> <p>10=Seattle: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington</p>
Measure Code	Character	<p>The measure code consists of the CMS ID (prefix) and the variable name (suffix) for the corresponding measure score.</p> <p>H_001_01= Treatment Preferences</p> <p>H_002_01= Beliefs/Values Addressed (if desired by the patient)</p> <p>H_003_01= Pain Screening</p> <p>H_004_01= Pain Assessment</p> <p>H_005_01= Dyspnea Screening</p> <p>H_006_01= Dyspnea Treatment</p> <p>H_007_01= Patients Treated with an Opioid who are Given a Bowel Regimen</p>
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Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Numeric	<p>Indicates the relevant footnote.</p> <p>1= The number of patient stays is too small to report (less than 20 patient stays).</p> <p>2= Data not available for this reporting period.</p> <p>3= Data suppressed by CMS upon request from the agency.</p> <p>4= Data not submitted for this reporting period.</p>

		5= Results are based on a shorter time period than required.
Start Date	Date	The start date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score.
End Date	Date	The end date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score.

Table 6: Provider CAHPS® Hospice Survey Data Variables

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
CMS Certification Number (CCN)	Character	The CMS certification number (CCN) is used to identify the hospice listed. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a five digit CCN listed in the CSV file.
Facility Name	Character	Name of the hospice.
Address Line 1	Character	The first line of the address of the hospice.
Address Line 2	Character	The second line of the address of the hospice.
City	Character	The name of the city where the hospice is located.
State	Character	The two-character postal code used to identify the state where the hospice is located.
Zip Code	Character	The five-digit postal zip code where the hospice is located. Note: Please add a leading zero for hospices that have a four-digit zip code listed in the CSV file.
County Name	Character	The name of the county where the hospice is located.
Phone Number	Character	The ten-digit telephone number of the hospice. The format is (xxx) yyy-zzzz where xxx=area code, yyy=central office code, and zzzz=line number.
CMS Region	Numeric	<p>The CMS region where the hospice is located. Below is a key to the location of the regional offices and the states covered by each CMS region:</p> <p>1=Boston: Connecticut, Main, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont</p> <p>2=New York: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands</p> <p>3=Philadelphia: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia</p> <p>4= Atlanta: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee</p> <p>5=Chicago: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin</p> <p>6=Dallas: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas</p> <p>7=Kansas City: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska</p> <p>9=Denver: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming</p>

		<p>9=San Francisco:</p> <p>Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Territories</p> <p>10=Seattle:</p> <p>Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington</p>
Measure Code	Character	<p>TEAM_COMM_TBV = Communication with family, top-box score</p> <p>TEAM_COMM_MBV = Communication with family, middle-box score</p> <p>TEAM_COMM_BBV = Communication with family, bottom-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_TBV = Getting timely help, top-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_MBV = Getting timely help, middle-box score</p> <p>TIMELY_CARE_BBV = Getting timely help, bottom-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_TBV = Treating patient with respect, top-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_MBV = Treating patient with respect, middle-box score</p> <p>RESPECT_BBV = Treating patient with respect, bottom-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_TBV = Emotional and spiritual support, top-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_MBV = Emotional and spiritual support, middle-box score</p> <p>EMO_REL_BBV = Emotional and spiritual support, bottom-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_TBV = Help for pain and symptoms, top-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_MBV = Help for pain and symptoms, middle-box score</p> <p>SYMPTOMS_BBV = Help for pain and symptoms, bottom-box score</p> <p>TRAINING_TBV = Training family to care for</p>

		<p>patient, top-box score</p> <p>TRAINING_MBV = Training family to care for patient, middle-box score</p> <p>TRAINING_BBV = Training family to care for patient, bottom-box score</p> <p>RATING_TBV = Rating of this hospice, top-box score</p> <p>RATING_MBV = Rating of this hospice, middle-box score</p> <p>RATING_BBV = Rating of this hospice, bottom-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_TBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, top-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_MBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, middle-box score</p> <p>RECOMMEND_BBV = Willing to recommend this hospice, bottom-box score</p>
Measure Name	Character	<p>Measure name and description of response categories for the corresponding measure code.</p> <p>Communication with family, top-box score = The hospice team always communicated well</p> <p>Communication with family, middle-box score = The hospice team usually communicated well</p> <p>Communication with family, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never communicated well</p> <p>Getting timely help, top-box score = The hospice team always provided timely help</p> <p>Getting timely help, middle-box score = The hospice team usually provided timely help</p> <p>Getting timely help, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never provided timely help</p> <p>Treating patient with respect, top-box score = The hospice team always treated the patient with respect</p> <p>Treating patient with respect, middle-box score = The hospice team usually treated the patient with respect</p>

		<p>Treating patient with respect, bottom-box score = The hospice team sometimes or never treated the patient with respect</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, top-box score = The hospice team provided the right amount of emotional and spiritual support</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, middle-box score = Not applicable (no middle-box score for this measure)</p> <p>Emotional and spiritual support, bottom-box score = The hospice team provided too little or too much emotional and spiritual support</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, top-box score = The patient always got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, middle-box score = The patient usually got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Help for pain and symptoms, bottom-box score = The patient sometimes or never got the help needed for pain and symptoms</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, top-box score = Caregivers “definitely” received the training they needed</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, middle-box score = Caregivers “somewhat” received the training they needed</p> <p>Training family to care for patient, bottom-box score = Caregivers did not receive the training they needed</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, top-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 9 or 10</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, middle-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 7 or 8</p> <p>Rating of this hospice, bottom-box score = Caregivers rated the hospice agency 6 or lower</p> <p>Willing to recommend this hospice, top-box score = YES, caregivers would definitely recommend the hospice</p> <p>Willing to recommend this hospice, middle-box score = YES, caregivers would probably recommend the hospice</p>
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		Willing to recommend this hospice, bottom-box score = NO, caregivers would probably not or definitely not recommend the hospice
Score	Character	The measure score for the corresponding measure code.
Footnote	Character	<p>Indicates the relevant footnote.</p> <p>6= The number of cases is too small to report.</p> <p>7= Results are based on a shorter time period than required.</p> <p>8=Data suppressed by CMS.</p> <p>9= There were discrepancies in the data collection process.</p> <p>10= None of the required data were submitted for this reporting period.</p> <p>11= Results are not available for this reporting period.</p>
Start Date	Date	The start date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care.
End Date	Date	The end date of the reporting period for the corresponding measure code and score. For CAHPS Hospice Survey measures, this refers to the period during which the patient died while receiving hospice care.