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## **February 2019 DSRIP Announcements & Updates**

### **Dear DSRIP Program Participants,**

In an effort to improve communication related to the program, the NJ DSRIP Team has established a monthly newsletter compiling relevant program information. We hope you find this to be a useful resource moving forward.

Please read below for the latest updates and announcements.

1. [DY6-DY8 NJ DSRIP Funding and Mechanics Protocol \(FMP\) and Planning Protocols \(PP\) Release](#)
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## 1. DY6-DY8 NJ DSRIP Funding and Mechanics Protocol (FMP) and Planning Protocols (PP) Release

On January 30, 2019, CMS approved the DY6-DY8 NJ DSRIP Funding and Mechanics Protocol and Planning Protocols. These documents will soon be available on the NJ DSRIP [Resources](#) page of the NJ DSRIP website. Over the past several months, DOH has worked with CMS to negotiate several DY7-8 governing policies. Key updates to the NJ DSRIP governing documents include:

- **Requirement for Three P4P Measures in DY7-8 Stage 2:** Per section VI.B.vi of the updated FMP, hospitals are required to have three Stage 2 P4P measures in their selected quality project. Projects impacted by this requirement include Project 9 (Hospital-Wide Screening for Substance Use Disorder), Project 15 (After School Obesity), and Project 17 (Patients Receive Recommended Care for Community-Acquired Pneumonia). Hospitals participating in these projects will receive communication from DOH regarding the measure and ITG approved by CMS to be added to their Stage 2 quality project.
- **DY7-8 Stage 2 & 3 Regression Provision:** According to section VII.B.i. and VII.C.ii. of the FMP, the regression provision now applies to all Stage 2 and 3 P4P measures respectively in DY7-8. When applied to Stage 2, the regression provision requires that once a hospital has exceeded the ITG for the measure, the hospital must maintain above the ITG or improve performance results in each following year to meet achievement eligible for payment. In DY7 Stage 3, if a hospital regresses from the DY6 baseline, the 5% improvement goal for DY8 will be over the DY6 baseline, not the DY7 measure result.
- **DY7-8 Stage 3 High Performer Definition:** Described in section VII.C.ii of the FMP, hospitals are considered a high performer on the Stage 3 P4P measures if they have met or exceeded the CMS approved performance thresholds described in the FMP. To be considered a high performer in DY7, DOH will be reviewing the hospitals DY6 results for each measure. If, the measure result is above the high-performance threshold, the hospital will be

considered a high performer for that measure. This process will be repeated for DY8 using hospitals' DY7 measure results.

## 2. Databook 5.0 Release

The latest version of the DSRIP Performance Measurement Databook (v5.0) is now available on the [Resources](#) page of the NJ DSRIP website. Databook v5.0 has two major updates:

- Sections I-IV were updated to reflect all programmatic update to the NJ DSRIP program in Demonstration Years 7 & 8. Please see Item 1 of this newsletter for a list of key programmatic updates.
- The Chart/EHR measure specifications were reviewed and updated to align with the updates provided by the measure steward. A few measures that had significant updates are described in the table below:

Measure Name	Databook v5.0 Update
Eye Examination (DSRIP 39)	Added the exclusions of bilateral and unilateral eye enucleation
Cesarean Rate for Nulliparous Singleton Visits (DSRIP 23)	Updated the Appendix A-23 code set to include Gestational Age < 37 to comply with the measure specification
Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Suicide Risk Assessment (DSRIP 59)	Added a 105-day look-back period to comply with the latest measure standards

For a full list of changes to the measure specifications, please review the Revision Log for Databook v5.0 available on the [Resources](#) page of the NJ DSRIP website. Please note that the MMIS measure specification section was not updated in Databook v5.0; there will be a subsequent version v5.1 of the Databook released in the following months that includes MMIS measure updates.

### **3. DY7 Standard Reporting Workbooks (SRWs), Measurement Validation Templates (MVTs) and Attribution Rosters to be released**

Attribution Rosters and SRWs will soon be available on the NJ DSRIP Secure File Transfer Portal (SFTP). The Department is introducing an additional component, the Measurement Validation Template (MVT) to the SRW reporting process for DY7. The MVT will ask you to report some patient level data for the records used to generate your numerator and denominator totals reported in the SRW. Detailed instructions on how to complete the MVT will be included within the template when it is released and additional instruction will be provided during the February 19th Webinar.

Hospitals will be notified when these materials are released through the NJ DSRIP SFTP. All hospital designated Reporting Partner contacts have been granted access to the SFTP. To access the SFTP and SFTP User Guide, please go to the [Resources](#) page of the NJ DSRIP website.

### **4. Webinar on February 19th**

The next DSRIP webinar will take place on February 19<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30pm. This webinar will be recorded and posted on the [Learning Collaborative](#) page of the NJ DSRIP website after the event. The agenda includes review of the following topics:

- DSRIP 38 Measure Specifications
- Databook 5.0 Release and Review of Major Updates
- SRW, MVT and Attribution Roster Distribution
- Review of Upcoming Events

A detailed program announcement will be circulated prior to the event.

The webinar will be hosted on Webex. The event address for attendees is: <https://pcqus.webex.com/pcqus/onstage/g.php?MTID=e98ccc080ba78482ed4d96c4b06e45914>.

### **5. Webinar on March 14th**

The March DSRIP webinar will take place on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 10-11:30am. This webinar will be recorded and posted online after the event. The agenda will include:

- Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) Event (DSRIP 21) Measure Specifications
- Submission of SRWs
- Review of Upcoming Events

A detailed program announcement and WebEx information will be circulated prior to the event.

## **6. Call for Presentations on Upcoming Webinars!**

We understand it is valuable for you to hear from your peers directly and learn from their on-the-ground experiences from reporting or improving on measures. We aim to have hospitals represented on all DSRIP webinars moving forward. We are searching for hospitals to share lessons during the upcoming March webinar on DSRIP 21 - if your team is interested in showcasing its experiences and hard work, please contact [NJDSRIP@pcgus.com](mailto:NJDSRIP@pcgus.com).

## **7. Save the Date: In-Person Learning Collaborative on March 20th**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2019  
10:30AM - 3:30PM**

**NJHA Conference Center  
760 Alexander Rd  
Princeton, NJ**

This event requires pre-registration. Each hospital can send two team members to attend the conference. Health systems with multiple hospitals participating in DSRIP may send one additional system level representative. Registration must be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

A formal program announcement will be released soon.

[CLICK HERE](#) to complete your registration now.

### Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, please email  
[NJDSRIP@pcqus.com](mailto:NJDSRIP@pcqus.com).

Thank you,

NJ DSRIP Team

