

Detailed Timeline for 2019 Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC) Reports, the Quarterly Updates of the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Report (QDFR) for State Surveyors Report, and FY 2020 Dialysis Facility Reports (DFRs), State and Region Profiles

*****Important:**

The Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)-Preview for the October Report includes updates of all measures for the prior calendar year, including the Star Rating. All other QDFC Preview reports update the quarterly measures (Kt/V, hemoglobin, vascular access, mineral metabolism), moving forward one quarter with each update. The semi-annual ICH CAHPS measures are updated in the Preview for the October Report and the Preview for the April Report.

The Quarterly Updates of the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Reports (QDFR) for State Surveyors Report includes summaries of select measures reported in the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Report (DFR). The December update of the QDFR includes summaries for the first quarter of 2018 and for the most recent calendar years reported in the FY 2019 DFR. The March and June updates of the QDFR add on summaries for the second and third quarters of 2018, respectively. All measures are updated for calendar year 2018 in the FY 2020 DFR.

Date	Event
November 1, 2018	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for January 2019 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on the website</p> <p>December Quarterly Update of the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Reports for State Surveyors (QDFR) reports available to dialysis facilities on the website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
November 15, 2018	<p>Comment period for QDFC—Preview for January 2019 report and QDFR for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)</p>
Late January 2019	<p>CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for January 2019 report</p>

Early February 2019	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for April 2019 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on the website</p> <p>March Quarterly Update of the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Reports for State Surveyors (QDFR) reports available to dialysis facilities on the website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
Mid-February 2019	Comment period for QDFC—Preview for April 2019 report and QDFR for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)
Late April 2019	CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for April 2019 report
Early May 2019	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for July 2019 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on the website</p> <p>June Quarterly Update of the FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Reports for State Surveyors (QDFR) reports available to dialysis facilities on the website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
Mid-May 2019	Comment period for QDFC—Preview for July 2019 report and QDFR for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)
Mid-July 2019	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for October 2019 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on the website</p> <p>FY 2020 Dialysis Facility Reports (DFRs) available to dialysis facilities and Networks on the website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
Late July 2019	CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for July 2019 report

Mid-August 2019	Comment period for QDFC—Preview for October 2019 report and DFR for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)
Late October 2019	CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for October 2019 report

*** Technical support available M-F, 9:00am-5:00pm EDT**

****Tentative Date**