

Detailed Timeline for 2018 Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC) Reports and FY 2018-2019 Dialysis Facility Reports (DFRs), and 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.

Date	Event
November 1, 2017	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for January 2018 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
November 15, 2017	<p>Comment period for QDFC—Preview for January 2018 report for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)</p>
January 24, 2018**	<p>CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for January 2018 report</p>
February 1, 2018	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for April 2018 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
February 15, 2018	<p>Comment period for QDFC—Preview for April 2018 report for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)</p>
April 25, 2018**	<p>CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for April 2018 report</p>
May 1, 2018	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for</p>

	<p>July 2018 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
May 15, 2018	Comment period for QDFC—Preview for July 2018 report for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)
July 15, 2018	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for October 2018 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>FY 2019 Dialysis Facility Reports (DFRs) available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
July 25, 2018**	CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for July 2018 report
August 15, 2018	Comment period for QDFC—Preview for October 2018 report for dialysis facilities ends at 5:00pm ET* (Report still available to view and download)
October 24, 2018**	CMS Dialysis Facility Compare website updated with DFC measures from QDFC-Preview for October 2018 report
November 1, 2018	<p>Quarterly Dialysis Facility Compare (QDFC)—Preview for January 2019 reports available to dialysis facilities and Networks on website</p> <p>Comment period for dialysis facilities opens at 12:01am ET*</p>
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* **Technical support available M-F, 9:00am-5:00pm EDT**

****Tentative Date**