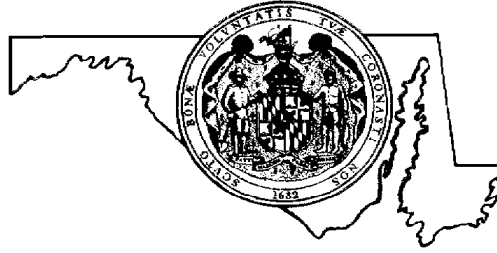


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**AMENDMENT 1**

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**MHCC 19-003**

**“Quality Measures To Support Maryland Healthcare Performance”**

Prospective Offerors:

This notification is being issued to amend and clarify certain information contained in the above named solicitation. All information contained herein is binding on all Offerors who respond to this solicitation. The revisions/deletions/additions are being identified as follows: new language has been double underlined and marked in bold (ex. **new language**) and language deleted has been marked with a strikeout (ex. ~~language deleted~~).

Should you require clarification of the information provided in this amendment, please contact me at (410) 764-8791.

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2.3.5 **Ambulatory Surgery Facility Guide (aka Outpatient Guide).** For the Ambulatory Surgery Facility Guide, the Contractor shall:

- A. Transition the Ambulatory Surgery Facility Guide from the MHCC's server to the Contractor's server and be fully functional within six (6) months after contract commencement. MHCC will provide a copy of the application, technical specifications and a backup of the SQL database to the Contractor. The website will be hosted on the Contractor's server, and web development work will be performed at the Contractor's site.
- B. Redesign the Ambulatory Surgery Facility Guide using a format and functionality that is consistent with the overall *Quality Reports* website, which shall be completed and ready to deploy for public use before the end of contract year 1.
  1. Develop a price transparency initiative similar to the inpatient hospital price initiative currently reported on the *Quality Reports* website and subsequently update on a quarterly basis.
  2. Create web pages to include descriptive information on ASFs and HOPDs from the MHCC ASF Survey; subsequently updating annually.
- C. Download, format, assemble, and post Hospital Outpatient Department (HOPD) quality measures data from the CMS website ([Hospital Compare](#)) to the Ambulatory Surgery Center Guide on the *Quality Reports* website after successful completion of the transition and subsequently on a quarterly basis.
- D. Maintain and update website software to accommodate changes in HOPD and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) measures data to include new and retired CMS measures. Keep abreast of annual CMS HOPD and ASC quality measures requirements to incorporate timely software modifications.

2.3.6 **Physician Data**

- A. Maintain Physician Information Section of the *Quality Reports* website and update annually to ensure provision of timely data.
- B. CMS has recently developed physician quality measures and reporting programs designed to improve health care professionals' performance as well as support consumer healthcare decision making. MHCC intends to build upon the availability of new national quality measures to enable consumers to compare Maryland. Physicians. At the start of contract year 2, redesign the Physician Information section to accommodate new quality and **performance metrics from CMS.**

2.3.7 **Data Analysis and Special Studies**

- A. The Contractor shall calculate hospital quality measure results on a quarterly basis using the AHRQ Hospital Patient Safety Indicators (PSI) and Inpatient Quality Indicators (IQI) software.
- B. The Contractor shall calculate Hospital Acquired Conditions (HAC) measure results on a quarterly basis using CMS technical specifications.
- C. Prepare analytic files from the HSCRC Hospital Outpatient Database using SAS on a quarterly basis.