

Accreditation 360: 2026 ORYX Performance Measurement Updates for Hospitals

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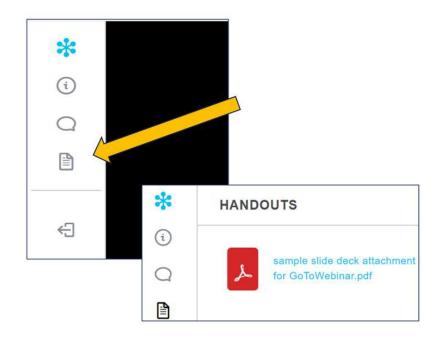
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Participant Learning Objectives



- Describe 2026 ORYX® chart-abstracted and eCQM performance measurement requirements for hospital accreditation.
- Determine 2026 ORYX policies applicable to your organization.
- Locate available resources regarding ORYX measurement requirements.



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Scope of Webinar



Includes:

- Overview of Joint Commission ORYX program
- Calendar Year 2026 ORYX Updates
- ORYX requirements by organization type
- Joint Commission Measurement resources

Excludes:

- Measure requirements for certification
- Direct Data Submission Platform application



Overview of Joint Commission ORYX program



ORYX Reporting Overview



Performance Measurement & Feedback

- Measurement data are directly reported to Joint Commission via the DDSP
- Joint Commission experts analyze performance
- Quality performance data are reported confidentially via Accelerate PI dashboards on JC Connect
- Data are applied to continuous improvement and the survey process



Programs with ORYX Requirements

ORYX requirements are specific to the accreditation program







Hospital Accreditation Program (HAP)

- Further refined by facility size:
 - Large Hospitals with ≥26 Licensed beds OR ≥50,000 Outpatient visits
 - Small Hospitals with <26 Licensed beds AND <50,000 Outpatient visits
- And services provided (Obstetric)

Critical Access Hospital (CAH)

Freestanding Psychiatric Hospital (HAP Psych)



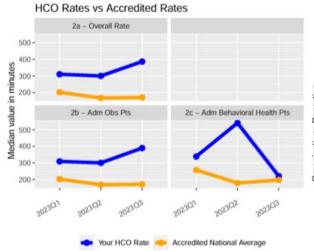
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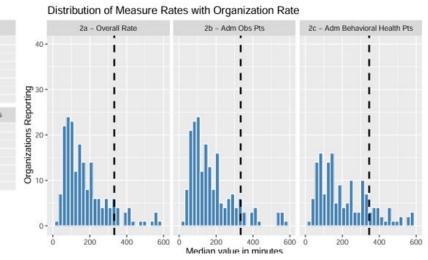
Accelerate PI™ Dashboard - ORYX reports

Accelerate PI (Performance Improvement)

Designed to help healthcare organizations quickly identify areas where their performance is lagging or leading. For each measure, the dashboard shows the organization's performance compared to national, state, and Joint Commission-accredited organization averages.

Measure Reporting Period	2022Q4 - 2023Q3	2022Q4 - 2023Q3	2022Q4 - 2023Q3
Stratum	2a - Overall Rate	2b - Adm Obs Pts	2c - Adm Behavioral Health Pts
Total Number of HCOs Reporting	198	198	182
Reporting Period Rate	332.3	333.1	346.0
National Rate	189.9	191.2	218.6
National Median	146.4	147.9	212.4
HCO Percentile	12	13	28







Confidential Measure Reports

Quality Measurement Trends and Benchmarks Report

Quality Measurement Trends and Benchmarks Report

Supports benchmarking efforts by offering percentile rankings and other comparative data for all measures submitted to Joint Commission as part of the ORYX program. It also helps identify trends in quality measurement over time, providing insights into areas of improvement or decline.

National Hospital eCQM Measure Rates by Year

Measure	Measure Description	2021 National Rate	2022 National Rate	2023 National Rate
eHH-01*	Hospital Harm - Severe Hypoglycemia	NA	NA	1.1%
eHH-02*	Hospital Harm - Severe Hyperglycemia	NA	NA	8.5%
ePC-01*	Elective Delivery	20.6%	27.1%	25.3%
ePC-02**	Cesarean Birth	26.1%	25.0%	24.2%
ePC-05	Exclusive breast milk feeding during the newborn's entire hospitalization.	51.9%	56.5%	54.6%
ePC-06.0*	Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns - Overall Rate	74.7	48.1	36.1
ePC-06.1*	Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns - Severe Complications	38.0	23.5	18.8
ePC-06.2*	Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns - Moderate Complications	36.7	24.5	17.3



CY2026 ORYX Updates



Streamlined Requirements

ORYX is a national program that tracks and improves healthcare performance as part of Joint Commission accreditation. As of 2026, ORYX requirements will be streamlined to include fewer required and optional measures.

Why?

To put focus on the most critical patient safety opportunities, healthcare organizations have asked for more tailored measures based on the services provided by the healthcare organization

Reporting aligned with CMS and state requirements

Reduced measurement burden

What?

The changes are being implemented through:

- Defined measurement aims in two priority areas: perinatal care and patient safety
- Reduced optionality in the measure set
- Improved robustness of the data set
- Enhanced infrastructure, including updates to the data submission platform and analytics products



Simplified Reporting

2026 Requirements			
Maternal Health:	Patient Safety:	Psychiatric Care:	
 Severe Obstetric Complications Potentially Preventable (NTSV) Cesarean Births Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension (optional; available mid-2026) 	 Hospital Harm: Severe Hypoglycemia Hospital Harm: Severe Hyperglycemia 	 HBIPS-2: Hours of Physical Restraint Use HBIPS-3: Hours of Seclusion Use 	



Key Program Updates

All hospital types will report fewer measures

	2025	2026
	Total # Required Measures	Total # Required Measures
Large Acute Care Hospital with OB	6	5
Large Acute Care Hospital with no OB	4	2
Small Acute Care Hospitals	3	2
Critical Access Hospitals	3	2
Free Standing Psychiatric Hospitals	3	2



Reduced Measure Burden and Optionality

Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQMs) that will not be collected in 2026:

Electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQMs):

- Safe Use of Opioids
- OP-ExRad
- OP-40
- GMCS
- HH-PI
- HH-ORAE

- STK-2
- STK-3
- STK-5
- VTE-1
- VTE-2



Reduced Measure Burden and Optionality

Chart-Abstracted Measures that will not be collected in 2026 and NHSN requirements suspended:

Chart-Abstracted Measures		NHSN Group	
• ED-1	• PC-05	NHSN group	
• ED-2	• SDOH-1	participation will not be	
• IMM-2	• SDOH-2	required for 2026.	
• OP-18	• SUB-2	NHSN is a valuable data	
• OP-23	• SUB-2	source and will be	
• PC-01	• TOB-3	considered for future	
		program requirements.	



New Measure Coming in CY2026



Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension

- Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy are among the leading causes of pregnancyrelated deaths in the United States
- This optional measure will support hospitals committed to reducing complications and death related to hypertensive disorders and severe hypertensive episodes



2026 ORYX Requirements by organization type



2026 ORYX Requirements

[Large] Hospitals (HAP) with ≥26 Licensed beds OR ≥50,000 Outpatient visits AND Provide Obstetrical Services

Required eCQMs

- HH-HYPO: Hospital Harm: Hypoglycemia
- HH-HYPER: Hospital Harm: Hyperglycemia
- PC-02: Potentially preventable (NTSV) cesarean births
- PC-06: Unexpected complications in term newborns*
- PC-07: Severe Obstetric Complications

Optional eCQMs

PC-08: Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension

Available Chart-abstracted Measures

• PC-06: Unexpected complications in term newborns* (*organizations can submit PC-06 as a chart-abstracted measure instead of an eCQM)

[HAP Large] Hospitals with ≥ 26 Licensed beds OR ≥ 50,000 Outpatient visits AND Provide Obstetrical Services

REQUIRED MEASURES: The following five measures are required:

PC-02 (eCQM) Potentially preventable (NTSV) cesarean births

PC-06 (eCQM or chart-abstracted): Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns

PC-07 (eCQM) Severe Obstetric Complications

HH-HYPO (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hypoglycemia Measure

HH-HYPER (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hyperglycemia Measure

OPTIONAL: Available optional measures may be supported if they are applicable to patient population / services offered:

PC-08 (eCQM): Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension



Large Hospitals 2026 ORYX Requirements

[Large] Hospitals (HAP) with ≥ 26 Licensed beds OR ≥50,000 Outpatient visits AND do NOT provide Obstetrical Services

Required eCQMs

- HH-HYPO: Hospital Harm: Hypoglycemia
- HH-HYPER: Hospital Harm: Hyperglycemia

Optional eCQMs

none

Available Chart-abstracted Measures

none

[HAP Large] Hospitals with ≥ 26 Licensed beds OR ≥ 50,000 Outpatient visits AND DO NOTE Provide Obstetrical Services

REQUIRED MEASURES: The following two measures are required:

HH-HYPO (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hypoglycemia Measure

HH-HYPER (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hyperglycemia Measure

OPTIONAL: Available optional measures may be supported if they are applicable to patient population / services offered:

none applicable for CY2026



Small and Critical Access Hospitals 2026 ORYX Requirements

[Small] Hospitals (HAP) with <26 Licensed beds AND <50,000 Outpatient visits

Critical Access Hospitals (CAH)

Required eCQMs

- HH-HYPO: Hospital Harm: Hypoglycemia
- HH-HYPER: Hospital Harm: Hyperglycemia

Optional eCQMs

- PC-02: Potentially preventable (NTSV) cesarean births
- PC-06: Unexpected complications in term newborns
- PC-07: Severe Obstetric Complications
- PC-08: Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension

Available Chart-abstracted Measures

• PC-06: Unexpected complications in term newborns

[HAP Small] Hospitals with <26 Licensed beds AND < 50,000 Outpatient visits

REQUIRED MEASURES: The following two measures are required:

HH-HYPO (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hypoglycemia Measure

HH-HYPER (eCQM) Hospital Harm—Severe Hyperglycemia Measure

OPTIONAL: Available optional measures may be supported if they are applicable to patient population / services offered:

PC-02 (eCQM) Potentially preventable (NTSV) cesarean births

PC-06 (eCQM or chart-abstracted): Unexpected Complications in Term Newborns

PC-07 (eCQM) Severe Obstetric Complications

PC-08 (eCQM): Timely Treatment of Severe Hypertension



Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals 2026 ORYX Requirements

Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals (HAP)

Required Chart-abstracted Measures

- HBIPS-2 Hours of Physical Restraint Use
- HBIPS-3 Hours of Seclusion Use

Optional Chart-abstracted Measures

none

Required eCQMs

none

Optional eCQMs

none

[HAP PSYCH] FREESTANDING PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS

REQUIRED MEASURES: The following two measure are required:

HBIPS-2 (CAM) Hours of Physical Restraint Use

HBIPS-3 (CAM) Hours of Seclusion Use

OPTIONAL: Available optional measures may be supported if they are applicable to patient population:

There are no optional measures for the CY2026 reporting year



2026 ORYX Requirements

Suspended Hospital Accreditation Programs

MAY ELECT TO SUBMIT ORYX PERFORMANCE MEASURES IF THEY CHOOSE		
Free-standing Children's Hospitals	Laboratory	
Indian Health / Tribal Hospitals	Long Term Acute Care Hospitals	
PPS-Exempt-Cancer Hospital	Nursing Care Centers	
Ambulatory Care Centers	Office Based Surgical Centers	
Behavioral Health Centers	Skilled Nursing Facilities	
Home Care / Home Health	Telehealth Entities	
Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities		

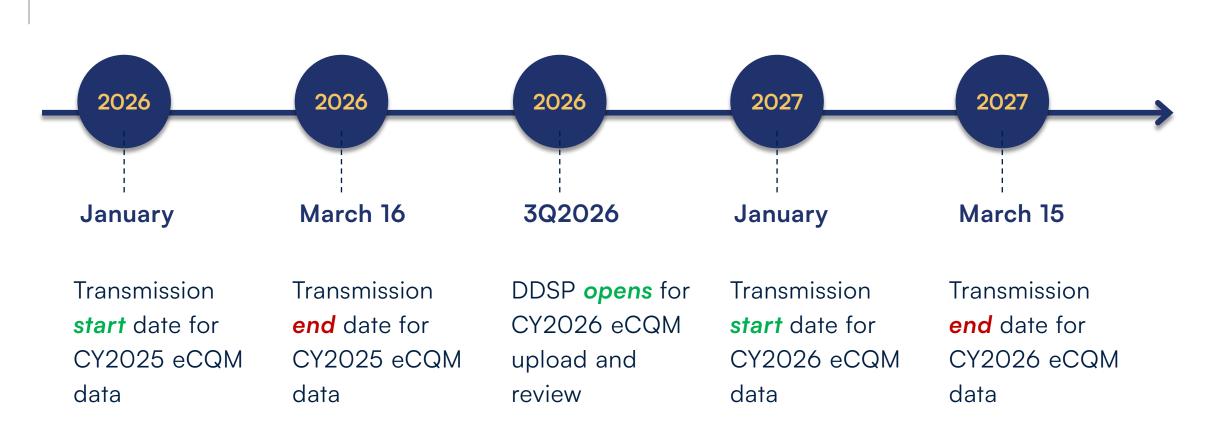


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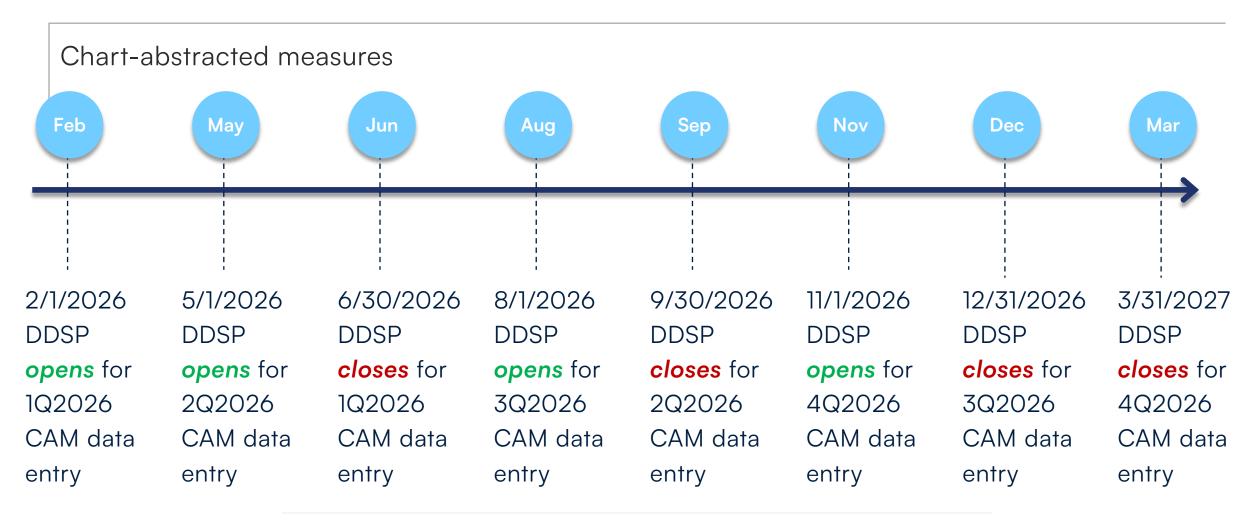
2026 ORYX® Performance Measurement Timeline

eCQMs





2026 ORYX® Performance Measurement Timeline





JOINT COMMISSION MEASUREMENT RESOURCES



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ORYX FAQs

We encourage you to visit the ORYX FAQs on the measurement tab on our external website and review the available topics to see if there may be content applicable to questions you may have or subjects you are learning about:

https://www.jointcommission.org/enus/knowledge-library/supportcenter/measurement

Browse supporting resources and measures for accreditation and Joint Commission Connect certification performance measurement requirements. **ORYX Reporting Requirements** Key Communications The Joint Commission's CRYX[®] initiative Browse key communications sent to Frequently asked questions about integrates performance measurement organization contacts related to ORYX performance measurement data

Performance Measurement

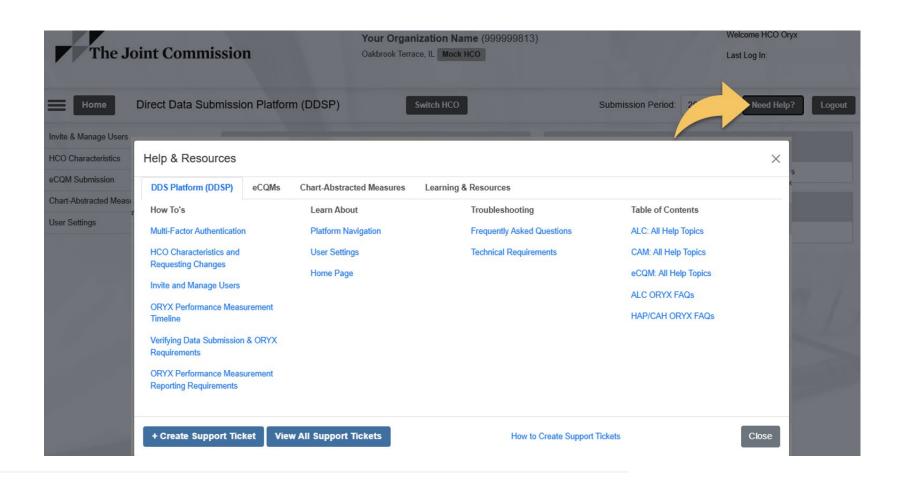
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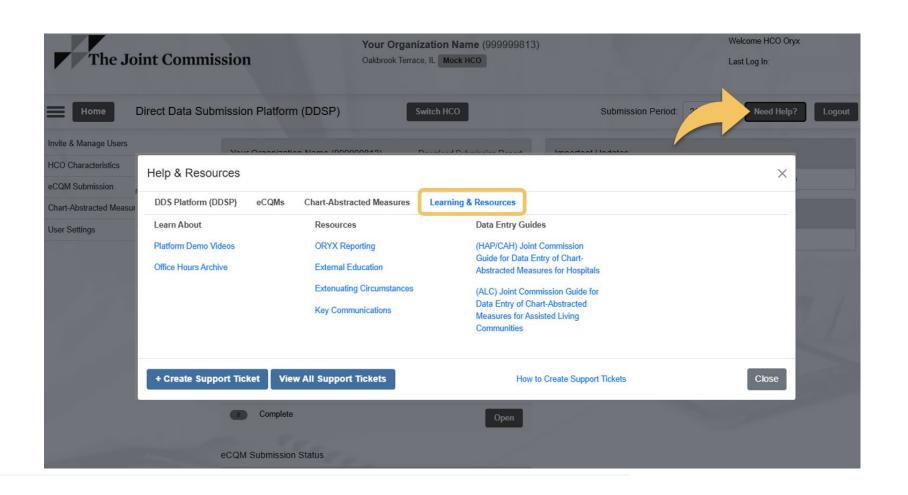




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DDSP Platform Education

Platform demo videos are available via the DDSP "Need Help?" button under the "Learning & Resources" tab.





Where to ask questions

ORYX Performance Related Topics

ORYX Performance Measurement

ORYX policy questions, newly accredited organizations with ORYX requirements, accessing the Direct Data Submission Platform (DDSP): Send an email hcooryx@jointcommission.org & include your HCO ID #

Specifications/Measure Interpretation

Measure questions related to measure interpretation, patient data outliers, etc.

Wiki site: https://manual.jointcommission.org/

Direct Data Submission Platform

All platform specific questions should be submitted via the DDSP "Need Help?" link.

Standards Interpretation

Go to the Joint Commission website: http://www.jointcommission.org > Scroll down the main page to the section that says Connect With Us.

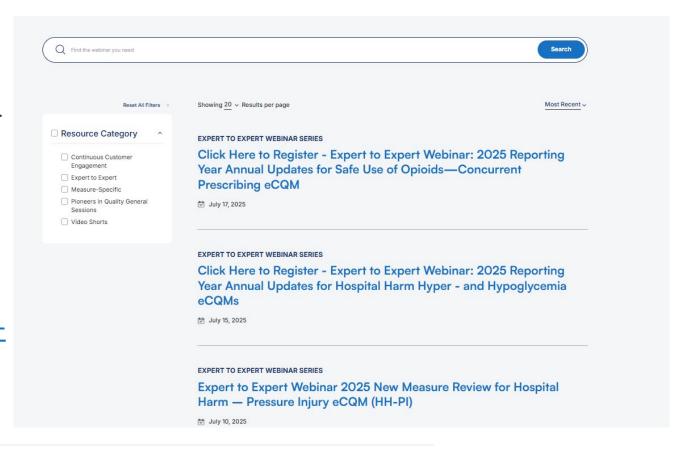


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