

**2009 THIRD Quarter ACM Benchmarks for Hospital-Abstracted Data - PPS Only
Using the "ABC" Technique***

Performance measure	Benchmark Data (Top "10%" sample)				Complete PPS Data (100% eligible sample)			
	Benchm. (%)	Num	Denom	# of hosp	Rate (%)	Num	Denom	# of hosp
RHQDAPU MEASURES								
ACM for four HF RHQDAPU measures	99.5	17,688	17,771	219	86.4	152,200	176,191	3,233
ACM for seven AMI RHQDAPU measures	99.8	11,859	11,885	109	94.4	110,020	116,544	2,955
ACM for six PN RHQDAPU measures	98.6	16,558	16,789	274	86.3	144,165	167,066	3,244
ACM for eight SCIP RHQDAPU measures	97.6	37,404	38,332	284	87.1	332,350	381,720	3,225
ACM for all 25 RHQDAPU measures	97.4	82,081	84,261	301	87.8	738,735	841,521	3,387

Note: 25 RHQDAPU include: HF-1, HF-2, HF-3, HF-4, AMI-1, AMI-2 AMI-3, AMI-4, AMI-5, AMI-7a, AMI-8a, PN-2, PN-3b, PN-4, PN-5c, PN-6, PN-7, SCIP-1,SCIP-2, SCIP-3, SCIP-4, SCIP-6, SCIP-CARD2, SCIP-VTE1, SCIP-VTE2

PN-1 RETIRED Q1-09

AMI-6 RETIRED Q2-09

Starting 2007 second quarter, all ACM calculations utilize PN-5c(6 hours) - previously used PN-5b (4hours)

*The benchmarks reported here are unrelated to the 90th percentiles that are published on Hospital Compare for individual measures.

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