

**2010 First 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	99.7	20,747	20,805	210	88.3	183,163	207,339	3,224
ACM for seven AMI RHQDAPU measures	99.8	13,026	13,050	109	94.9	120,098	126,580	2,957
ACM for six PN RHQDAPU measures	98.4	23,867	24,262	283	85.8	206,693	240,996	3,259
ACM for ten SCIP RHQDAPU measures	96.8	39,294	40,609	305	84.3	340,998	404,651	3,240
ACM for all 27 RHQDAPU measures	97.1	95,175	98,003	314	86.9	850,952	979,566	3,398

Note: 27 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, SCIP-9, SCIP-10

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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