



Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model

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Upcoming Events

Q&A Follow-Up to the “Clinical Engagement and Alignment: A Hospital Perspective” Learning System Event
August 29th – September 2nd
on CJR Connect

The featured speakers on the August 25th CJR webinar, “Clinical Engagement and Alignment: A Hospital Perspective,” will be hosting a “topic of the week” Q&A session on CJR Connect. If you would like to ask a question:

1. Go to the Groups tab of CJR Connect.
2. Click on the group “Clinical Engagement and Alignment.”
3. Post your question in the group.

The speakers will monitor and respond to questions from Monday, August 29th through Friday, September 2nd. Note that the slides for this webinar will be available in the CJR Connect Libraries by August 25. Search for “Webinar Clinical Engagement and Alignment: A Hospital Perspective 08 25 16.”

Save the Date for the Next CJR Learning System Event: Overview of Patient Reported Outcomes Data Submission

Wednesday, September 28, 2016
2 – 3 p.m. EDT

This webinar will provide an overview of patient reported outcomes data submission. Registration link will be provided soon.

CJR Connect Libraries: What’s New

Here is what’s new in the [CJR Connect](#) Library:

- Webinar CJR Quarterly Data Files with MPR Follow-Up Office Hours 08 18 2016
- Webinar CJR Quarterly Data Files with Mathematica Policy Research (MPR) 07 28 16 Materials
- Bulletin – August 2016

These documents are available through the Libraries tab. Use the content bar to search for the file names.

CJR Frequently Asked Questions Have Been Updated

CMS has released an updated and more extensive CJR Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document, including the Q&A below.

Q: Is submission of patient-reported outcomes (PRO) and risk variable data required for the CJR model?

A: Submission of THA/TKA voluntary patient-reported outcomes and risk variable data is not required for reconciliation payment eligibility. However, CJR participant hospitals that successfully submit PRO data per the requirements on page 73548 of the CJR final rule may increase their financial opportunity under the model, since CJR participant hospitals that successfully submit PRO data can receive two points toward their composite quality score.

You can access these FAQs [here](#) and on the [CJR Connect Libraries](#) tab (Search for “FAQ CJR Model – Public Release 08 16 16”).

Model Reminders

August 31, 2016 is the last day to collect patient reported outcomes (PRO) data for Performance Year 1!

You can collect preoperative PRO data on patients who receive eligible primary total hip arthroplasty and total knee arthroplasty procedures between July 1, 2016 and August 31, 2016. The deadline to submit these data is October 31, 2016. Materials to assist with PRO data collection and submission are available on [CJR Connect](#) under the Libraries tab. Use the content search bar to search for “PRO Data.”

Let us know if you are interested in participating in the CJR Data Affinity Group!

[Click Here to Learn More and to Pre-Register](#)

Please take five minutes to respond to a few questions about your interest in the CJR Data Affinity Group by clicking on the link above. The CJR Data Affinity Group is for participant hospitals interested in peer-to-peer exchange of promising practices and ideas related to using data to succeed in CJR. The survey will close on August 28, 2016.

For questions, assistance, suggestions for Learning System events or to be added to the CJR Biweekly Update distribution list, please contact CJRsupport@cms.hhs.gov.