

HOW ARE CAHPS SURVEY RESULTS USED?

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Major Uses of CAHPS Surveys

Public reporting



Value-based purchasing



Recognition and certification









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All of these uses are aimed at rewarding or supporting quality improvement!





What we have learned about improving patient experience



Evaluating the use of a modified CAHPS® survey to support improvements in patient-centred care: lessons from a quality improvement collaborative

Conclusion: Small measurable improvements in patient experience may be achieved over short projects. Sustaining more substantial change is likely to require organizational strategies, engaged leadership, cultural changes, regular measurement and performance feedback, and experience of interpreting and using survey data.

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Foundational Elements of Patient Experience Improvement



- Leadership and governance
- Partnerships with patients and families
- Focus on the workforce
- Systematic measurement and feedback
- Supportive technology and infrastructure
- Built environment

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Using CAHPS Surveys To Improve Patient Experience





CAHPS Ambulatory Care Improvement Guide





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CAHPS Database



- Databases are for selected CAHPS surveys
 - CAHPS Health Plan (HP) Survey (Medicaid and CHIP)
 - CAHPS Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Survey
 - Child HCAHPS Survey (in development)
- Two major applications:
 - Comparative data for assessing performance
 - De-identified data for research
- Participation is voluntary and open to all users
- Annual cycle of submissions and reporting
- Submissions vary from year to year and are not representative of the U.S.

CAHPS Database Products





AHRQ Data Tools: Online data portal for viewing, printing, and downloading data reports



Private Feedback Reports: Compare submitter results to Database averages



Annual Chartbooks: Display summary-level Database results



Research Datasets: De-identified data files for approved research projects

AHRQ Data Tools

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2021 Health Plan Survey Chartbook



1. OVERVIEW



Health Plan Composite Measure Results by Enrollee Population

Child Medicaid and CHIP enrollees reported having better access to care and communication with doctors than reported by Adult Medicaid enrollees.

Getting Needed Care





How Well Doctors Communicate



Health Plan Information and Customer Service



"Getting Care Quickly" Composite Measure Scores Remain Unchanged

The Adult Medicaid, Child Medicaid and CHIP "Getting Care Quickly" Composite Measure showed no improvements in the 10-year period of 2011-2021. Respondents to the Child Medicaid and CHIP CAHPS Surveys consistently reported higher scores than did respondents to the Adult Medicaid CAHPS Survey.

