Distribution of Overall Hospital Star Ratings for AAMC Members

In the July 2023 Hospital Care Compare release, Overall Hospital Star Ratings were refreshed with no methodology changes. CMS extended many flexibilities for the hospital quality reporting and value-based payment programs in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including excluding data from Q1 and Q2 of 2020 in measure performance calculations. While both the current and previous Star Ratings are affected by these exclusions, the majority of measures (30 out of 46) for the current ratings are no longer impacted. The charts below show the distribution of Star Ratings for AAMC-member teaching hospitals for the July 2023 refresh compared to that of the previous July 2022 refresh.



<u>Overall</u>, the data refresh results in more 5-star hospitals and fewer 1-, 2-, and 4-star hospitals. At the hospital level, 64 members (28%) gained one star and four members gained two stars, while only 25 members (11%) lost one star.

<u>Note:</u> The measurement periods for each measure used to compute the Overall Hospital Star Ratings vary by measure and release. These measurement periods span discharges from July 1, 2018 – March 31, 2022 (excl. January 1 – June 30, 2020) for the July 2023 release, and July 1, 2017 – September 30, 2020 (excl. January 1 – June 30, 2020) for the July 2022 release. Source: AAMC analysis of July 2023 Hospital Care Compare and July 2022 Hospital Care Compare data.

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