



## HEDIS<sup>®</sup> Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Request for Use of the Questionnaire

### Overview

The Medicare Health Outcomes Survey (HOS) is the first HEDIS<sup>®1</sup> outcome measure for Medicare beneficiaries. The goal of the Medicare HOS program is to gather valid and reliable health status data in Medicare managed care for use in quality improvement activities, plan accountability, public reporting, and improving health. The following Medicare HOS Instruments are available for use with permission (please see below for instructions to request for use of the questionnaire):

- Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Instrument Version 2.0
- Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Instrument Version 1.0

Copies of the HOS 2.0 and 1.0 questionnaires are available for download from the Survey Instrument section of the HOS web site at [www.hosonline.org/surveys/hos/hosinstrument.asp](http://www.hosonline.org/surveys/hos/hosinstrument.asp). For copies of the HOS-Modified questionnaire or other languages (Spanish, Chinese) please contact NCQA at [HOS@ncqa.org](mailto:HOS@ncqa.org).

### Instructions to Request Use of the Questionnaire

1. **Survey Use Form:** Complete and sign the HEDIS<sup>®</sup> Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Use Form to request to use the questionnaire.
2. **Survey Instrument:** Provide a sample copy of the proposed questionnaire including the appropriate copyright for the Medicare Health Outcomes Survey and/or the results attributed to the Medicare Health Outcomes Survey as indicated on the inside front cover of the Medicare Health Outcomes Survey questionnaires.

3. **Submit Survey Use Form and Proposed Survey Instrument To:**

Tony Yep  
Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Project Manager  
NCQA  
1100 13<sup>th</sup> St NW, Suite 1000  
Washington DC 20005  
[HOS@ncqa.org](mailto:HOS@ncqa.org)

All requests are subject to approval by NCQA and CMS. Notification will be sent via e-mail within 10 business days.

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## HEDIS<sup>®</sup> Medicare Health Outcomes Survey Use Form

1. ORGANIZATION/CONTACT INFORMATION			
1a. ORGANIZATION NAME			
1b. MEDICARE CONTRACT NUMBER (if applicable)			
1c. PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON			
FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME	
1d. TITLE		1e. DEGREE (e.g., RN, MD, PhD)	
1f. MAILING ADDRESS 1			
1g. MAILING ADDRESS 2			
1h. CITY	1i. STATE	1j. ZIP CODE	
1k. TELEPHONE AND FAX ( <i>Area code, number and extension</i> )			1l. E-MAIL ADDRESS
TEL:	FAX:		
1m. ORGANIZATION TYPE			
<input type="checkbox"/> HMO		<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Institution	
<input type="checkbox"/> PPO		<input type="checkbox"/> Government (Specify Agency) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Disease Management		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	

2. PROJECT INFORMATION	
2a. PROJECT TITLE	
2b. PROJECT TYPE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Quality Improvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Research
<input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
2c. PROJECT TIMING	
Project Start Date:	Project End Date:
2d. PROJECT DESCRIPTION (Briefly describe the purpose of project, population you will be surveying and the analyses to be conducted; attach additional sheets, if necessary)	

**3. QUESTIONNAIRE INFORMATION (Include Sample Questionnaire with Form)**

3a. Version of HOS Questionnaire Requested:

3b. Items Used in Questionnaire

- Complete Questionnaire
- Subset of Questionnaire (Specify Survey Questions)

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**4. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION SUBMISSION**

Please complete and date the form.

I hereby attest that the information contained in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I agree that the Medicare Health Outcomes Survey will be used solely for the purpose specified in this Survey Use Form.

**Authorized Representative**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR QUESTIONS AND FORM AND SAMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE SUBMISSIONS, SEND TO:**

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 Washington DC 20005  
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**TO BE COMPETED BY NCQA HOS STAFF**

Documentation Provided: <input type="checkbox"/> Survey Use Form <input type="checkbox"/> Sample Questionnaire	Request approval: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Comments:	
Reviewer Name:	
Title:	
Date:	