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1. Introduction

CypressTM v6 is the rigorous and repeatable testing tool of Electronic Health Records (EHR) and health information technology (IT) modules used in calculating electronic Clinical Quality Measures (eCQM). Cypress v6 is the official testing tool for the 2015 EHR Certification program supported by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC). The 2015 Edition final rule, published by the ONC, updates the ONC Health IT Certification Program and includes certification criteria to support electronic clinical quality measurement (eCQM) and reporting across the healthcare ecosystem. The 2015 Edition eCQM certification criteria also support the requirements of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Promoting Interoperability Program and other CMS program requirements.

ONC and CMS developed the Cypress User Guide for test proctors who test and certify EHRs and health IT modules at Authorized Testing Labs (ATL). EHR software engineers, quality assurance engineers, and production release engineers may draw on the guide when they use Cypress in a pre-testing mode to understand how their health IT product will perform in an ATL-conducted operational test.

This guide provides instructions on how to use the open source Cypress v6 tool (it is assumed the user has downloaded the software). It addresses the requirements and steps for testing health IT products for calculating and reporting eCQMs.

The Cypress tool is freely available for use or adoption by the health IT community, including EHR vendors and testing labs. The open source project website at <u>Project Cypress</u> provides information detailing the set up and configuration of Cypress v6 open source software.

2. Cypress Testing Capabilities

To achieve certification pursuant to the most recent 2015 standards, each health IT product must show that it meets four criteria by demonstrating required capabilities specified in the regulation and described in the following subsections. The Cypress v6 software verifies four required eCQM capabilities for health IT certification (Capture/Record and Export, Import and Calculate, Electronic Submission, and Data Filtering), as described in the following subsections.

2.1 Capture/Record and Export

Cypress v6 supports the requirements for Capture/Record and Export capabilities as follows:

- Capture/Record To be certified in accordance with 45 CFR §170.315(c), the technology must be able to electronically capture/record all of the data identified in the specified procedure necessary to calculate each eCQM. Data required for eCQM exclusions or exceptions must be codified entries. These entries may include specific terms as defined by each eCQM, or may include codified expressions, such as "patient reason," "system reason," or "medical reason."
- **Export** As provided in 45 CFR §170.315(c)(1), the technology must be able to electronically export a data file formatted in accordance with the Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) Category I standard that includes all of the data captured for each and every eCQM for which the technology is being certified.

The functionality requirement for Capture/Record and Export specifies that a system user can record and export individual, patient-level eCQM data formatted to the Health Level Seven International (HL7) QRDA Category I Release 5.2 Implementation Guide (IG) at any time the user chooses, for one or multiple patients, without needing developer support. The requirement for Capture/Export is part of the certification criteria necessary to satisfy the 2015 Edition Base EHR definition. The capability to export eCQM data serves two purposes: (1) a provider or health system can view and verify their eCQM results for quality improvement on a near real-time basis, and (2) providers can export their results to multiple programs, such as those run by CMS, states, and private payers.

Figure 1 depicts the basic concept for Capture/Record and Export. The primary purpose of this step is to verify the technology's ability to export data in the proper QRDA Category I format with the proper Quality Data Model (QDM) data elements.

To verify this capability, Cypress produces static patient data for each of the eCQMs that are to be tested and exports the relevant patients. This data is entered into the technology. The technology is then commanded to export the patient test data as a set of QRDA Category I files that contain the proper elements from the QDM for calculating the eCQMs under test. These QRDA files are loaded back into Cypress where they are tested for validity, determining valid QRDA Category I Extensible Markup Language (XML) documents, and correctness, containing only the elements required to calculate the eCQMs.

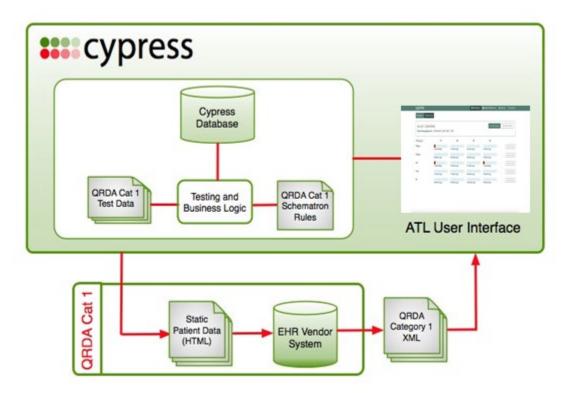


Figure 1. Capture/Record and Export

2.2 Import and Calculate

Cypress v6 supports the requirements for Import and Calculate capabilities as follows:

- **Import** The technology must be able to electronically import a data file formatted in the QRDA Category I format.
- **Calculate** The technology must be able to electronically calculate each and every clinical quality measure for which it is presented for certification.

A Health IT Module must be capable of demonstrating that it can import data to warrant certification against this criterion using the QRDA Category I IG, even if the module is also certified to provide "capture/record and export" and "report" functions.¹ The requirement ensures that users of certified health IT can import eCQM data formatted to the QRDA Category I standard for one or more patients without needing to request developer support.

¹ From Federal Regulation (80 FR 62650-62651): "First, this functionality could streamline the testing and certification process by importing QRDA Category I files rather than systems needing to manually enter test patient data. Second, the import functionality can promote quality improvement and data sharing between systems by providing systems the ability to import CQM data from other systems in a standardized format."

2.3 Electronic Submission

Cypress v6 supports the requirements for Electronic Submission capabilities as follows:

• Electronic Submission enables a user to electronically create a data file in QRDA format for transmission of clinical quality measurement data that can be electronically accepted by CMS.

This certification criterion has been updated in the 21st Century Cures Act: Interoperability, Information Blocking, and the ONC Health IT Certification Program Final Rule. Cypress v6 supports testing with the 2015 Edition Cures Update to the 170.315(c)(3) certification criterion as well as the original 2015 Edition § 170.315(c)(3) certification criterion.

The 2015 Edition Cures Update has removed the Health Level Seven International (HL7®) QRDA standard requirements in the 2015 Edition "Clinical Quality Measures – report" criterion in § 170.315(c)(3) and, in their place, required Health IT Modules to support the CMS QRDA Implementation Guide (IGs). This will help reduce the burden for health IT developers and remove certification requirements that do not support quality reporting for CMS programs.

When performing certifications to the original 2015 Edition with Cypress v6 the criterion for certification of Electronic Submission capabilities supports eCQM reporting using the consensus, industry-based QRDA Category I Release 5.2 and QRDA Category III Release 2.1 IGs. The CMS reporting requirements (e.g., use of the CMS QRDA IG) are included as an optional provision within the criterion because not all certified health IT is intended for CMS reporting.

Figure 2 shows the basic concept for Import, Calculate, and Electronic Submission. These steps provide for automated verification that a health IT product can:

- Import and calculate the eCQM results for the quality measures being certified based on the synthetic patient data that Cypress presents to the technology under test
- Generate a properly formatted summary eCQM report that could be electronically submitted using QRDA Category III format

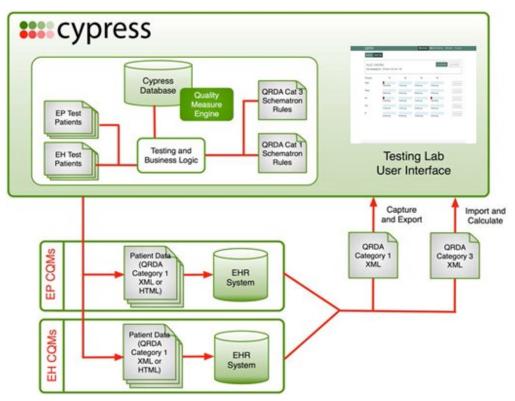


Figure 2. Import, Calculate, and Electronic Submission

2.4 Data Filtering

Cypress v6 supports the requirements for Data Filtering capabilities as follows:

• The technology must be able to record data (according to specified standards, where applicable) and filter eCQM results at both patient and aggregate levels.²

Filtering individual patient-level and aggregate-level eCQM results by data supports administrative reporting as well as identification of health disparities and gaps in care for patients treated at particular group practice sites or in a given Accountable Care Organization (ACO).

² Rule Reference: 2015 Edition Health Information Technology (Health IT) Certification Criteria, Base Electronic Health Record (EHR) Definition, and ONC Health IT Certification Program Modifications Final Rule (The "2015 Edition"): "The filter functionality included in this criterion will allow a provider to make a query for eCQM results using one or a combination of data captured by the certified health IT for quality improvement and quality reporting purposes. It can also aid in the identification of health disparities, enable care quality improvement, and support providers in delivering more effective care to their patient populations. These filters include, but are not limited to, practice site address, patient age, patient sex, and patient problem list."

3. Detailed Description of Cypress Workflow

Figure 3 illustrates the general workflow of a test performed with the Cypress open source software tool and a description of how the test procedure is organized and conducted. The augmentation of the test procedure to include Cypress is based on the ONC-approved and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)-published procedure for testing the accurate calculation, submission, and degree of correctness of eCQMs.

As shown in Figure 3, the vendor interacts with the vendor system. An ATL test proctor interacts with the Cypress web interface. The test proctor downloads test data from Cypress, which is then sent from Cypress and entered into the vendor system. The vendor returns test results to Cypress, which generates reports reflecting assessment of certification testing.

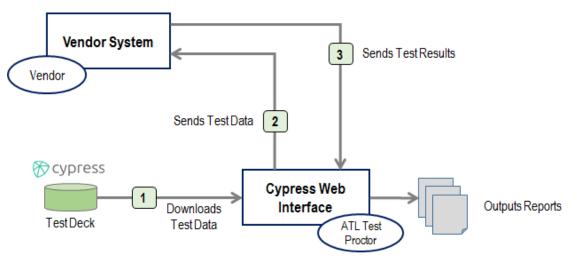


Figure 3. Cypress Workflow in an Authorized Testing Lab

Cypress can perform the following types of tests in support of eCQM certification:

- 1. XML Data conformance testing of the QRDA Category I standard for individual patientlevel data used for eCQM calculation
- 2. XML Data conformance testing of the QRDA Category III standard for aggregate reporting of eCQM calculation
- 3. Accuracy calculation testing of the Eligible Professional / Eligible Clinician eCQMs
- 4. Accuracy calculation testing of the Eligible Hospital / Critical Access Hospital eCQMs

The Cypress website provides a complete description of the Cypress Testing Procedure (available at <u>http://healthit.gov/cypress/resources.html)</u>.

The following subsections present a detailed description of Cypress v6, from accessing Cypress, overview of administrative functions, preparation for testing, test execution, exit success criteria, and submission to verification.

3.1 Accessing Cypress

To access and download the Cypress Software, go to Project Cypress:

• The Project Cypress site provides several options and detailed instructions for downloading and installing the Cypress software. If the software has not been installed, please follow the Cypress Download Instructions located on the Project Cypress site. This User Guide does not provide instructions for downloading the Cypress software.

After Cypress is downloaded and installed, it is accessible via a URL, bookmark, or icon you created as part of the download/installation process.

Upon accessing the installed instance of Cypress, the Sign In screen should appear. Figure 4 presents a screenshot of the "Sign In" screen. To create an account, select **Sign Up**.

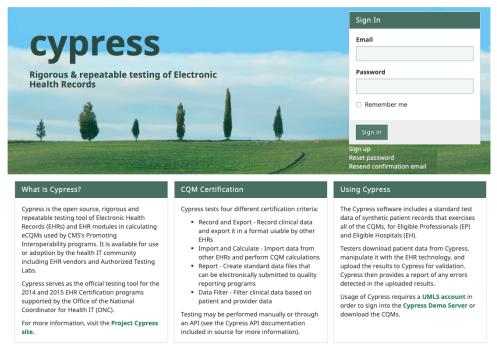
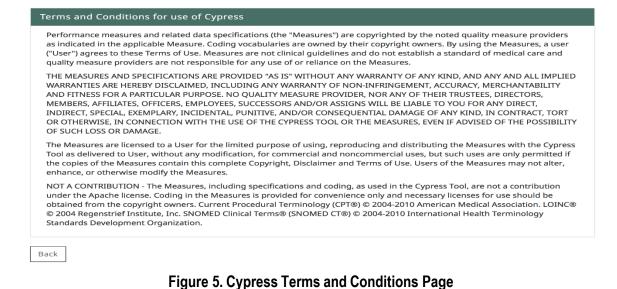


Figure 4. Cypress Sign In Page

- If you have previously set up an account, enter your email and password, and select **Sign In**.
- If you have previously created an account and forgotten your password, select **Reset password**. In the **Forgot your Password**? screen, enter the email address associated with your Cypress account, and select **Send me reset password instructions**. You will be sent a link to reset your password.
- Sign Up will bring you to the Sign Up and Terms and Conditions page. Click on the Terms and Conditions link on that page. Figure 5 presents a screenshot of the Terms and Conditions page.



To **Sign up**, enter your Email, a Password, and then confirm that Password.

• Read the Terms and Conditions, check I agree to the above Terms and Conditions, and select Sign up to create your Cypress Account as shown in the screenshot of the Cypress Account creation page (Figure 6).

Sign Up
Email
Password
8 characters minimum and include at least 3 of the following: lowercase letters, uppercase letters, digits, and special characters. Confirm Password
Terms and Conditions I agree to the above Terms and Conditions
ign in esend confirmation email



3.2 Overview of Administrative Functions

Cypress displays the **Dashboard** after you create your account, as shown in Figure 7.

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Vend	ors						
	Vendor	Products	🕴 🗸 Passing 🛛 👌 🗲	Failing 🕴 🕴 Errored	OIncomplete		φ.
☆	Sample Vendor	+ Add Product				×	Edit Vendor

Figure 7. Cypress Dashboard

The Dashboard includes the following Cypress Administrative Functions:

- 1. Master Patient List Provides a list of all test data for eCQMs
- 2. Account Update a Cypress Account Password
- 3. Log Out Log out of the Cypress Application
- 4. Add Vendor Add vendor by entering EHR Vendor contact and product information (please refer to "Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing," subsection 4.3)
- 5. Edit EHR Vendor Edit EHR Vendor contact and product information (please refer to "Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing," subsection 4.3)

3.2.1 Master Patient List

Figure 8 presents the Master Patient List page that provides a list of all test data for eCQMs for calendar year 2021 reporting.

Master Patient List				
Master Patient List				
Filter Patients	Annual Update	Bundle		
Type to search by measure	Cypress hundle for	the 2021 Reporting/Performan	e period (eCOM value sets as	
Type the name or CMS ID of a measure	 Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value s of May 7, 2020) 			
	Download			
All Patients				
Patient Name		DOB	Gender	
Z18 Heart Adult		March 18, 1964	Male	
1 (nutrition) NEWBORN		March 27, 2018	Male	
Z30 Heart Adult		April 17, 1948	Male	
4 N Eye		July 4, 1960	Female	

Figure 8. Master Patient List of Test Patients

By selecting the **Filter by Measure** drop-down, you can select a specific measure from a list of patient records that apply to a specific eCQM and eCQM qualifiers. Figure 9 presents an

example screenshot of filtering by the measure, CMS2v10 Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan Patients.

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Master Patient List							
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	ints	Gender Male		DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP
Patient Name	ents DOB		IPOP	DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP
Patient Name Z18 Heart Adult	DOB March 18, 1964	Male	IPOP	DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP
Patient Name Z18 Heart Adult Z30 Heart Adult	ents ров March 18, 1964 April 17, 1948	Male Male	IPOP	DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP
Patient Name Z18 Heart Adult Z30 Heart Adult Z4 N Eye	DOB March 18, 1964 April 17, 1948 February 28, 1973	Male Male Male	IPOP	DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP

Figure 9. Patients Specific to CMS2v10 Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan Patients

If you click on the patient's name in the patient record list, Cypress will display an individual patient record and their eCQM qualifiers as shown in Figure 10.

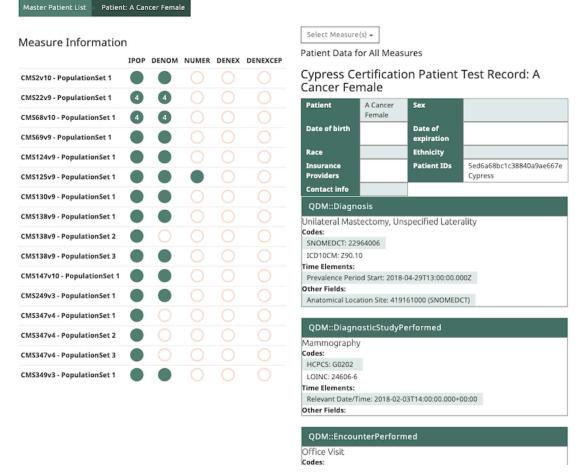


Figure 10. Patient Test Record Data Requirements and eCQM Qualifiers

3.2.2 Account

If you have previously set up an account, this function allows you to change your Password or delete your account. Figure 11 presents a screenshot of the account password update and delete page.

cypress	📰 Dashboard	😁 Master Patient List	🏟 Account	🕒 Log Out
Edit Account				
Edit User				
Email				
rlhghapn@sharklasers.com				
Password				
we need your current password to confirm your changes New Password leave blank if you don't want to change it Confirm New Password Update Back				
Delete Account				
Once you delete your account you cannot get it back. Be sure you want to do this. Delete Account				

Figure 11. Account Password Update

3.2.3 Log Out

Figure 12 presents a screenshot of the Log Out function that allows a user to return to the Account Sign In (as shown in Figure 4).

cypress 6.0.0		📰 Dashboard	🚢 Master Patient List	💄 dczulada@mitre.org	🌣 Admin 🛛 🔂 Log Out
Dashboard					
Vendors					+ Add Vendor
Vendor	Products	🕴 🗸 Passing 🕴 🗙	Failing 🕴 🕴 Errored	🕴 🔿 Incomplete 🕴 🍦	¢
☆ Sample Vendor	+ Add Product				📕 Edit Vendor

Figure 12. Cypress v6 Log Out

3.2.4 Add Vendor

The Add Vendor function allows the user to enter EHR vendor contact and product information (as described in subsection 3.3, Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing) as shown in Figure 13.

Dashboard Add Vendor
Add Vendor
Vendor Name
Vendor 10
URL
Address
State
Zip
Add Point of Contact
Add Vendor Cancel

Figure 13. Add Vendor Page

3.2.5 Edit Vendor

The Edit Vendor function allows a user to edit EHR Vendor contact and product information (as described in subsection 3.3, Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing) as shown in Figure 14.

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendor	Edit Vendor		
Save Changes: Sample Vendor			
Vendor Name			
Sample Vendor			
Vendor ID			
ID 1			
URL			
www.samplevendor.com			
Address			
1287 enterprise way			
State			
DC			
Zip			
20013			
POC Name	Email	Telephone	Type of Contact Remove
John Doe	johndoe@samplevendor.com	111-111-1111	Manager
Add Point of Contact			
Save Changes Cancel			
Delete Vendor			
		to an	this -
Removing a vendor will also delete all a	associated products, product tests, and test	t execution results. Be sure you want to do	tnis.



3.3 Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing

Add Vendor Information

- Once you have created an account, you can begin testing by adding a Vendor and Contact Information.
- Select Add Vendor from the Dashboard as shown in Figure 15.

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Dashboard					
Vendors				+ 4	Add Vendor
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Sample Vendor	+ Add Product			¥	Edit Vendor

Figure 15. Dashboard Select Add Vendor

- After selecting **Add Vendor**, the **Create Vendor** information will be displayed as shown in Figure 16.
- Complete the fields listed under Create Vendor and select Create Vendor.

Dashboard > Add Vendor			
Add Vendor			
Vendor Name			
Sample Vendor			
Vendor ID			
ID 2			
URL			
www.samplevendor.com			
Address			
1287 enterprise way			
State			
DC			
Zip			
20013			
POC Name	Email	Telephone	Type of Contact Remove
John Doe	johndoe@samplevendor.com	111-111-1111	Manager
Add Point of Contact			
Add Vendor Cancel			

Figure 16. Create Vendor Page

Enter Product Information

+ Add Product

• The next step is to enter Product Information. Begin by clicking the Vendor name displayed on the Dashboard as shown in Figure 17.

Dashboard							
Vendors							+ Add Vendor
Vendor	Products	🔶 🖌 Passing	🗙 Failing	Frored	O Incomplete	÷	\$
☆ Sample Vendor	+ Add Product						🖋 Edit Vendor

Figure 17. Dashboard with New Vendor Created

• Next, click **Add Product**, as shown in Figure 18, to begin entering vendor product information.

Dashboard > Vendor: Sample Vendor	
Sample Vendor (ID: ID 1)	📕 Edit Vendor
http://www.samplevendor.com	
# 1287 enterprise way, DC, 20113	
 ▲ John Doe (Manager) >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	
Start EHR Certification with	

Figure 18. Vendor Product Information Page

- On the Vendor Add Product page, presented in Figure 19:
 - Enter Product information (Name, Version, and Description). Examples would be
 product version number, the name and version of any optional modules installed in
 the product at the time of the test, and the operating system.
 - For Certification Types, a product must, at a minimum, certify to either the C1 test or the C2 test. To indicate which tests are being certified, check the box selecting from the following options:
 - C1 Test Record and Export
 - C2 Test Import and Calculate
 - C3 Test Data Submission
 - C4 Test Data Filtering

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- For Records Options, note that Randomize Records and Duplicate Records have already been pre-checked because these options are recommended for the most robust testing (although they can be unselected, if needed).
- For Annual Update Bundle, you must select which bundle of eCQMs you are certifying for:

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendor > Add Product	
Add Product	
Name	Records Options
	✓ Randomize Records
Version	Duplicate Records
	Recommended for most robust testing.
Description	Bundle Options
	Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value sets as of May 7, 2020) 2020.0.0
Product Types	Select the measure versions Cypress should use to certify this product.
Certification Product	Shift Records
○ CVU+ Product	Selecting Shift Records will move patient data forward into the appropriate reporting period. Otherwise patient data will remain in a previously completed
Certification Edition	calendar year.
2015 Edition	Measures Options
○ 2015 Edition Cures Update	○ Eligible Hospital eCQMs
Select the certification edition.	 Eligible Professional eCQMs
Certification Types	○ All eCQMs
C1 Test	○ Custom
C2 Test	Indicate the clinical quality measures Cypress should use to certify this product.
C3 Test	Testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis. Click 'Custom' to specify individual measures.
C4 Test	
Select the certification type Cypress should use to certify this product	
Add Product Cancel	

Figure 19. Vendor Add Product Page

- The Vendor Add Product page also has a section entitled "Measures Options" that must be completed before adding a product. For Measures Options, you must indicate the clinical quality measures (i.e., select one option) Cypress should use to certify this product, as shown in Figure 20. The options are:
 - Eligible Hospital eCQMs
 - Eligible Provider eCQMs

- All eCQMs
- Custom. Selecting "Custom" allows you to specify any individual measures Cypress should use to certify this product. Figure 21 presents a screenshot of the option for "Custom".

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendor > Add Product	
Add Product	
Name	Records Options
	✓ Randomize Records
Version	Duplicate Records
	Recommended for most robust testing.
Description	Bundle Options
	Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value sets as of May 7, 2020) 2020.0.0
Product Types	Select the measure versions Cypress should use to certify this product.
Ortification Product	Shift Records
O CVU+ Product	Selecting Shift Records will move patient data forward into the appropriate reporting period. Otherwise patient data will remain in a previously completed
2015 Edition	calendar year. Measures Options
 2015 Edition Cures Update 	Eligible Hospital eCQMs
Select the certification edition.	O Eligible Professional eCQMs
Certification Types	O All eCQMs
✓ C1 Test	O Custom
C2 Test	Indicate the clinical quality measures Cypress should use to certify this product.
🗹 C3 Test	Testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis. Click 'Custom' to specify individual measures.
🗹 C4 Test	
Select the certification type Cypress should use to certify this product	
Add Product Cancel	

Figure 20. Eligible Hospital eCQMs Measure Selection

Add Product	
Name	Records Options
	Randomize Records
Version	Duplicate Records
	Recommended for most robust testing.
Description	Bundle Options
	Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value sets as of May 7, 2020) 2020.0.0
Product Types	Select the measure versions Cypress should use to certify this product.
Certification Product	Shift Records
O CVU+ Product	Selecting Shift Records will move patient data forward into the appropriate reporting period. Otherwise patient data will remain in a previously completed calendar year.
2015 Edition	Measures Options
O 2015 Edition Cures Update	O Eligible Hospital eCQMs
Select the certification edition.	O Eligible Professional eCQMs
Certification Types	○ All eCQMs
C1 Test	Custom
C2 Test	Indicate the clinical quality measures Cypress should use to certify this product.
C3 Test	Testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis. Click 'Custom' to specify individual measures.
C4 Test	
Select the certification type Cypress should use to certify this product	

Figure 21. Vendor Add Product, "Custom" Measures Option

- Please note that testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis.
- Once all of the information has been entered on the Vendor Add Product page, select **Add Product**, as shown in Figure 22.

Type to filter by measure		
Type a keyword or CMS ID of a measure		
Admissions and Readmissions to Hospitals (1 EH)	1🗸	
Care is Personalized and Aligned with Patient's Goals (1	EH) 1✔	CMS111v8 Median Admit Decision Time to ED Departure Time for Admitted Patients (EH)
Communication and Care Coordination (2 EP)		
Community/Population Health (12 EP)		
Effective Clinical Care (23 EP)		
Efficiency and Cost Reduction (4 EP)		
Patient Safety (5 EP)		
Person and Caregiver-Centered Experience and Outcon EP)	nes (5	
Preventive Care (6 EH)	6~	

Figure 22. Vendor Add Product page, Select "Add Product"

- The Vendor and Product will now display on the Dashboard.
- Select the product name under Products to begin defining tests for the product as shown in Figure 23.

Sample Vendor (ID:	ID 1)					+ Add P	roduct 🎤	Edit Vendor
http://www.samplevendor.com								
# 1287 enterprise way, DC, 2011	3							
 ▲ John Doe (Manager) ➡ johndoe@samplevendor.com (111) 111-1111 								
Products								
		C1	C2		C3			CA
🛧 EH Product	Sample	C1 QRDA-I	C2 QRDA-III	Sample	C3 QRDA-I	QRDA-III	QRDA-I	C4 QRDA-III
				Sample		QRDA-III		
✓ 0 Passing Tests				Sample		QRDA-III		
✓ Ø Passing Tests ★ Ø Failing Tests				Sample		QRDA-III 3		
O Passing Tests O Failing Tests O 28 Not started Tests	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III		QRDA-I		QRDA-I	QRDA-III
 O Passing Tests K O Failing Tests 	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III		QRDA-I		QRDA-I	QRDA-III
	Sample 3	QRDA-I 3	QRDA-III 3 C2	3	QRDA-I 3 C3	3	QRDA-I 5	QRDA-III 5
O Passing Tests O Failing Tests O 28 Not started Tests	Sample 3	QRDA-I 3	QRDA-III 3 C2	3	QRDA-I 3 C3	3	QRDA-I 5	QRDA-III 5

Figure 23. Dashboard Displaying a Vendor with Two Products Added

3.4 Test Execution

Background

This process evaluates the capability of the health IT system under test (SUT) to electronically generate the proper eCQM artifacts for the eCQMs being certified.

The Test Proctor provides the Cypress v6 Test Data for the clinical quality measures for which the technology will be tested in the format selected by the EHR vendor.

Depending on the test, the vendor manually inputs or electronically downloads the patient test data from Cypress that is used to test their technology.

- Selecting C1 certification along with C2, C3, and C4 will provide the vendor with the following certification test options that allow a Test Proctor to examine the eCQMs implemented in their technology:
 - C1-C3 Record Sample tests, which will have only four predetermined measures for testing of C1 and C3 certifications. This tab validates the technology for C1 and C3 certifications by entering specified patient data for four measures. Certifiers will download a QRDA zip file of patients, which is uploaded into their technology and re-uploaded into Cypress.
 - C1-C3 (QRDA-I), which will contain measures (based on your selection of all eCQMs or Custom for either hospitals or professionals). This tab will test the technology's ability to record and export (C1) and submit (C3) measure-based data.
 - C2-C3 (QRDA-III), which tests the technology's ability to import and calculate (C2) and submit (C3) measure-based data. Certifiers will submit XML patient files exported from their technology to verify calculation and submission of reporting.

 C4 (QRDA-I and QRDA-III), which test the technology's ability to filter patient records.

This process enables you to test the product based on the Certification Types and Measures Options you selected when you created the product.

3.4.1 Automated Measure Test Execution

C1 as well as a C2, C3, or C4 certification type all require automated measure test execution. Figure 24 shows C1 and C2 certification types selected for all hospital eCQMs with randomized and duplicate records to be included in the test data files created by Cypress. Products certifying to C2 criteria in addition to C1 will create a product that has a limited number of C1 record sample test measures, automated C1 measure test, and any other certification tests created.

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendor > Add Product	
Add Product	
Name	Records Options
Sample Product	🗹 Randomize Records
Version	Duplicate Records
	Recommended for most robust testing.
Description	Bundle Options
	 Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value sets as of May 7, 2020) 2020.0.0
Product Types	Select the measure versions Cypress should use to certify this product.
Ocertification Product	Shift Records
○ CVU+ Product	Selecting Shift Records will move patient data forward into the appropriate
Certification Edition	reporting period. Otherwise patient data will remain in a previously completed calendar year.
2015 Edition	Measures Options
O 2015 Edition Cures Update	eligible Hospital eCQMs
Select the certification edition.	O Eligible Professional eCQMs
Certification Types	○ All eCQMs
C1 Test	O Custom
✓ C2 Test	Indicate the clinical quality measures Cypress should use to certify this product.
C3 Test	Testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis. Click 'Custom' to specify individual measures.
C4 Test	
Select the certification type Cypress should use to certify this product	
Add Product Cancel	

Figure 24. C1-C2 Automated Entry Certification

Figure 25 shows the result of adding the C1-C2 certification.

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vend	lor							
Sample Product' was a	reated.							×
Sample Vendor (ID: 1	D 1)					+ Add P	Product 🔑	Edit Vendor
http://www.samplevendor.com								
# 1287 enterprise way, DC, 20113								
 ▲ John Doe (Manager) ➡ johndoe@samplevendor.com (111) 111-1111 								
2 Products			1					
😭 Sample Product	c	1	C2		C3			C4
a sumple rioudee	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	QRDA-I	QRDA-III
✓ 0 Passing Tests								
× 0 Failing Tests								
O 36 Not started Tests	4	16	16]				

Figure 25. Add Product for Automated Entry of Measure Data

To select a measure for testing, click on the product name shown in Figure 26.

Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendo	ог							
Sample Product' was cr	eated.							×
Sample Vendor (ID: Il	D 1)					+ Add Pi	roduct 🔎	Edit Vendor
http://www.samplevendor.com								
🌴 1287 enterprise way, DC, 20113								
 John Doe (Manager) johndoe@samplevendor.com (111) 111-1111 								
2 Products	-							
😭 Sample Product	C.	1	C2		С3			C4
Bampierroddee	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	QRDA-I	QRDA-III
V Passing Tests								
× 0 Failing Tests								
O 36 Not started Tests	4	16	16					

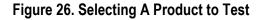


Figure 27 shows the certification tests created for C1-C2 Hospital measures. Note the tab for record sample that contains only four measures as well as tabs for C1 all Hospital and C2 certifications. The first Record Sample Test validates the technology for C1 certification by entering specified patient data for those identified measures. The second tab, C1 (QRDA-I), tests the technology's ability to record and export (C1), while the third tab, C2 (QRDA-III) tests the technology's ability to import and calculate (C2). Two sections appear, side by side, toward the top of the page: Product Status and Download Full Test Deck. On the left side of the page is the Product Status section that provides, for each Certification Type (based on the Measures Options you selected), a quick summary of the test cases that have passed, failed, and not yet started. On

the right side of the page is a section entitled Download Full Test Deck. This download contains a folder for each measure selected for this product. These folders contain XML documents for each patient associated with that measure.

Dashboard	Vendor: Sam	ple Vendo	or Proc	luct: Sample	e Product						
Sample	Product	:								🖋 Edit Product	: Download Report
		C	1 QRDA-I	C2	Sample	C3 ORDA-I	ORDA-III	ORDA-I	C4 ORDA-III	Download Full	Test Deck
 ✓ 0 Passing Tests X 0 Failing Tests O 36 Not started Tests 		4	16	16	Jumple	QUDA1	QUONI	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	measure selected folders are XML d associated with th	ntains a folder for each for this product. Inside these ocuments for each patient nat measure. Il Patients (.zip)
c1 Sample Validate t	C1 Sample C1 (QRDA-I) C2 (QRDA-II) Validate the EHR system for C1 certification by entering specified patient data for the following measures.										
	View Record Sample Upload Results Status										
O Not Starte	d			O N	ot Started					O Not Started	
Data Criteria	Verification										Status
CMS31v6 Hea	ring Screening	Prior To I	Hospital D	ischarge							Not Started
CMS104v6 Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy											Not Started
CMS105v6 Di	scharged on St	atin Medio	ation								Not Started
CMS107v6 Str	roke Education										Not Started

Figure 27. Showing C1 Record Sample, C1 Automated, and C2 Product Measures

To execute a Test for C1 (QRDA-1), select that tab and select the desired measure to begin testing, using either the Upload Link (if you already have your zip file ready for upload), or click on the Measure Name to download a test file to upload for C1 Certification testing as shown in Figure 28. The upload button will display a file selection dialogue box to select your file. The Measure Name Link will take you to the screen shown in Figure 29.

CMS ID	Measure Name	C1 Results	Quick Upload	Last Updated
CMS108v6	Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	O Not Started	upload	⊙ 3 minutes ago
CMS190v6	Intensive Care Unit Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis	O Not Started	upload	⊙ 3 minutes ago
CMS105v6	Discharged on Statin Medication	O Not Started	upload	⊙ 3 minutes ago
CMS107v6	Stroke Education	O Not Started	upload	O 3 minutes ago
CMS102v6	Assessed for Rehabilitation	O Not Started	upload	⊙ 3 minutes ago
CMS104v6	Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy	O Not Started	upload	⊙ 3 minutes ago

Figure 28. Product Measure Upload or Measure Name Selection

Once you have selected the Measure Name you want to test, Cypress displays the test page for that individual measure (e.g., CMS108v6) as shown in Figure 29.

Measure Test Information	C	1	C2	
Measure: Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis HQMF ID: 40280382-5ABD-FA46-015B- 1F6B95092A9D CMS ID: CMS108v6	QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Execution Date		QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Execution Date	
Provider Name: Graves, Danielle Provider NPI: 1513804843 Provider TIN: 268221413 Provider CCN: 242520 View Patients Get Known Good Result			start	
1 🕴 Download Test Deck		2 🦸 Upload Files		
Download and import this data into your EHR clinical que calculator.	uality measure		EHR system in the form of a zip file of QRDA Category I esults. This will automatically run a test execution.	

Figure 29. Individual Measure Test Page

- Patient test data for the selected eCQMs of the specified test must be downloaded in the format required for the test.
- Click the **Download QRDA Category I (.zip)** button to download the test data for that selected eCQM. The downloaded zip file will contain duplicate and randomized patient records that your technology should correct for the uploaded portion of the test. The downloaded patient record test data will be contained in a zip file. Figure 30 shows an example filename entry.

CMS108v6_5968e99655fc91377b3a2ef7.qrda.zip

274 KB ZIP archive

Figure 30. Zip File of Patient Test Data for Selected eCQM

- If you click the **View Patients** link (shown in Figure 29), you will see a listing of the patients for that specific measure.
- Click **Get Known Good Results** link to download a zip file of patients that will pass the measure test you are planning to conduct as shown in Figure 31.

CMS108v6_5968e99655fc91377b	3a2ef7.qrda	
	a	Searc
View Arrange Action Share Edit Tags		Searc
Name	Size Kind	
0_Allison_Wilkerson.xml	16 KB XML	
1_Ana_Johnston.xml	14 KB XML	
2_Anita_Quinn.xml	17 KB XML	
3_Anita_Wilson.xml	19 KB XML	
4_Arlene_George.xml	18 KB XML	
5_Ben_Payne.xml	21 KB XML	
6_Bill_Cannon.xml	22 KB XML	
7_Brandy_Nelson.xml	18 KB XML	
8_Brian_Hoffman.xml	20 KB XML	
9_Calvin_Kelley.xml	20 KB XML	
10_Carl_Perry.xml	16 KB XML	
11_Carla_Hawkins.xml	15 KB XML	
12_Cathy_Rowe.xml	16 KB XML	
13_Cindy_Perry.xml	26 KB XML	
	44.000 50.00	

Figure 31. Listing of Zip File of XML Patient Test Data for Testing Selected eCQM

• Select a single patient record and open the XML from the zip file listing to view the information. Figure 32 presents an example screenshot.

```
CMS117v4_5717f0d667c28f4ffe43875a.debug Reporting period changed mood and class code/xml ~
F7xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
Clinicalbocument xmlps:ssl="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
Xmlpg="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinicalbocument xmlps:ssl="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
Xmlpg="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinicalbocument xmlps:ssl="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
Xmlpg="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinicalbocument xmlps:ssl="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
Xmlpg="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinical="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinical="urn:h17-org:v3"
Clinical="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinical="urn:h17-org:v3">
Clinical="urn:h117-org:v3">
Clinical="urn:h11383.1.3" extension="CD_HD000040"/>
Clinical="urn:h11383.1.3" extension="CD_HD00040"/>
Clinical="urn:h11383
```

Figure 32. Patient XML File for C2 Test

- Once the technology has generated the test results in the QRDA Category I format, the results are uploaded from that individual measure's test page under the Upload files section. For C2 and C3 testing, this upload would occur in QRDA Category III format.
- Click on Select file as shown in Figure 33, browse to the QRDA Category I file you want to upload, and click Choose.

Measure Test Information	C [.]	I	C2
Measure: Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis HQMF ID: 40280382-5ABD-FA46-015B- 1F6B95092A9D CMS ID: CMS108v6	QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Execution Date		QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Execution Date
Provider Name: Graves, Danielle Provider NPI: 1513804843 Provider TIN: 268221413 Provider CCN: 242520 View Patients Get Known Good Result			start
1 🕴 Download Test Deck		2 🕴 Upload Files	
Download and import this data into your EHR clinical of calculator.	quality measure		EHR system in the form of a zip file of QRDA Category I sults. This will automatically run a test execution.

Figure 33. Upload Test Execution Results

- The Test Proctor will then validate that the proper eCQM artifacts in QRDA Category I file format for the test being performed are electronically generated by the health IT SUT.
- Validation results will then be displayed in the Dashboard for that specific vendor's product as shown in Figure 34.

2 Products

O 35 Not started Tests

😭 EH Product	C1		C2	С3			C4	
	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	QRDA-I	QRDA-III
✓ 2 Passing Tests		1			1			
¥ 0 Failing Tests								
O 26 Not started Tests	3	2	3	3	2	3	5	5
😭 Sample Product	c	1	C2		C3			C4
	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	Sample	QRDA-I	QRDA-III	ODDA T	
	bumpie	QKDA-I	QRDAIII	Sample	QRDAN	QRDAIII	QRDA-I	QRDA-III
✓ 0 Passing Tests		QKDA-1	QRDAIII	Sample	QRDAI	QUDAIII	QRDA-1	QRDA-III
 ✓ 0 Passing Tests X 1 Failing Tests 		1	QRDAIII	Sample	QUDAI	QUDAIII	QKDA-I	QRDA-III

Figure 34. Example of Test Execution Summary Results

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3.4.2 Record Sample Test

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To begin record sample testing (and validate the technology for C1 certification by entering specified patient data for specific measures), select the Record Sample Test tab and then select **View Test** as shown in Figure 35.

C1 + C3 Sample	C1 + C3 (QRDA-I)	C2 + C3 (QRDA-III)	C4 (QRDA-I and QRDA-III)				
Validate the EHR system for C1 and C3 certifications by entering specified patient data for the following measures.							
View Record Sar	nple						
Upload Results		C1 Upload Results	C3 Upload Results	Status			
Upload Results O Not Started		C1 Upload Results O Not Started	C3 Upload Results O Not Started	Status O Not Started			
•	ification		•				
O Not Started Data Criteria Ver		O Not Started	•	O Not Started			
O Not Started Data Criteria Ver CMS32v7 Median	Time from ED Arrival	O Not Started	O Not Started	O Not Started			

Figure 35. Record Sample Test, Select "View Test"

As shown in Figure 36, this action will bring you to the Record Sample Checklist test page, which displays the status of each test on the right margin (i.e., Not Started, Passing, or Failing). The Record Sample Checklist page also displays a summary of each test and allows the user to check off (and save) a test when it has been completed.

	ults		C1 Upload Re	sults	Status	
) Not Star	O Not Started		O Not Started	i .	O Not Started	
ata Criter	ia Verification					Status
MS32v8 M	edian Time from ED Arriva	l to ED Departu	ure for Dischar	rged ED Patients		Not Started
it Test						
MS32v8 I	Median Time from ED	Arrival to El	D Departure	e for Discharged ED Patients		
alidated			Required			
n QRDA	Data Criteria	Section	Attributes	Value Set(s)	Recorded Code/Attribu	te Value
				Encounter Inpatient		
				2.16.840.1.113883.3.666.5.307	Code	
	Encounter, Performed	Valuesets		Emergency Department Visit		
				2.16.840.1.113883.3.117.1.7.1.292		
		Attributes				
		Valuesets		Observation Services	Code	
	Encounter, Order	valuesets		2.16.840.1.113762.1.4.1111.143		
		Attributes				
		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				

Figure 36. Record Sample Page

When choosing a code to demonstrate entry of a Record Sample data criteria, click on the allowable value sets to view a listing of valid codes as shown in Figure 37. Clicking on the allowable value sets will open a window displaying all the codes in the value sets as shown in Figure 38. The list is searchable, allowing a user to find an appropriate code for entry.

CMS32v8 Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients								
Validated in QRDA	Data Criteria	Section	Required Attributes	Value Set(s)	Recorded Code/Attribute Value			
				Encounter Inpatient 2.16.840.1.113883.3.666.5.307	Code			
	Encounter, Performed	Valuesets		Emergency Department Visit 2.16.840.1.113883.3.117.1.7.1.292				
		Attributes						
		Valuesets		Observation Services	Code			
	Encounter, Order	valuesets		2.16.840.1.113762.1.4.1111.143				
		Attributes						
Save								

Figure 37. View Listing of Valid Codes

O Not Started	O Not St	arteri	O Not Sta	rted .
Data Criteria Verification	List of codes		×	Status
CMS32v8 Median Time from ED Arri Edit Test	Hospital admission (pro	tive (procedure): 8715000		Failing
Validated In QRDA Data Criteria	Emergency department	patient visit (procedure): 4525004		Attribute Value
		2.16.840.1.113883.3.666.5.307	Code	
Encounter, Performed	Valuesets	Emergency Department Visit 2.16.840.1.113883.3.117.1.7.1.292	4525004	
	Attributes			
		Observation Services	✓ Code	
Encounter, Order	Valuesets	2.16.840.1.113762.1.4.1111.143	44885100012	4103
	Attributes			
Save				

Figure 38. Search for Valid Codes

Completing and saving a test, as shown in Figure 39, will then refresh the page and provide an updated status description for that specific test.

CMS32v8 Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients								
Validated in QRDA	Data Criteria	Section	Required Attributes	Value Set(s)	Recorded Code/Attribute Value			
				Encounter Inpatient				
				2.16.840.1.113883.3.666.5.307	Code			
	Encounter, Performed	Valuesets		Emergency Department Visit				
				2.16.840.1.113883.3.117.1.7.1.292				
		Attributes						
				Observation Services	Code			
	Encounter, Order	Valuesets		2.16.840.1.113762.1.4.1111.143				
	2							
		Attributes						
Save								

Figure 39. Complete and Save a Test

When all of your manual test measure entries are correct and have a completed checkmark, the select button will be enabled to allow upload of your XML files (zipped into a single file) into Cypress for certification as shown in Figure 40.

1	Record Sample Instructions	
	 Fill in the Data Criteria fields below. If a Data Criteria has value sets listed, an appropriate code needs to be entered into the "Recorded Code" text box. If an Attribute has a value set, an appropriate code needs to be entered into the "Recorded Attribute Code" text box. Codes are validated upon saving. Result, Date Times, and Related To are to be recorded as free text. ATLs will record the values they have observed being entered into the text. Create (at least) one patient for each measure below. Patients may be created using a user interface, or may be created as a structured docur imported into the system under test. There are no requirements on what format the structured data artifact must be. Could be CCDA, QRDA, or other formats. This structured data urifact needs to be created at the time of certification The created patients must contain all required Data Criteria, for the selected measures, to pass certification. Export the created patients as QRDA Category I, and create a zip file. Upload zip file with created test patients. 	
~		
2	Upload Files	
Fill	in the Data Criteria fields before you upload results from your EHR system.	Select file

Figure 40. Select File to Upload

3.4.3 CQM Filtering Test

The filter functionality included in this criterion allows a provider to query for eCQM results using one or a combination of data captured by the certified health IT for quality improvement and quality reporting purposes. It can also help identify health disparities, enable care quality improvement, and support providers in delivering more effective care to their patient populations. This certification criterion requires that a Health IT Module be capable of recording data (according to specified standards, where applicable) and filtering eCQM results at both patient and aggregate levels. These filters include, but are not limited to, practice site address, patient age, patient sex, and patient problem list.

• To begin eCQM filtering testing, click the C4 (QRDA-I and QRDA-III) Filtering Test tab, and click **start** on the Category I or Category III filtering criteria you are interested in testing, as shown in Figure 41.

C1 + C3 Sample	C1 + C3 (QRDA-I)	C2 + C3 (QRDA-III)	C4 (QRDA-I and QRDA-III)					
Test the EHR system's ability to filter patient records.								
Filtering Criteria		≜ QI	RDA Category I	QRDA Category III	🔶 Last Updated	$\stackrel{\wedge}{=}$		
Age/Ethnicities		0	start upload	Start upload	 an hour ago 			
NPI & TIN		0	start upload	• start upload	⊘ an hour ago			
NPI, TIN & Provide	er Location	0	start upload	Start upload	 an hour ago 			
Payers/Ethnicities	i	0	start upload	Start upload	 an hour ago 			
Races/Genders		0	start upload	• start upload	O an hour ago			

Figure 41. Select a Category I or Category III to Test

• In this example, the Category I test page for Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients will be displayed as shown in Figure 42.

C1 C2 C3 C4		Next Test: CMS32v7 N
Filtering Test Information Measure: Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients HQMF ID: 40208382-SA66-EAB9-015A- AF5BA5D72C52 CMS ID: CMS32V7 View Patients Get Known Good Result	QRDA Category I QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Submission Errors Warnings Execution Date	QRDA Category III QRDA Errors Reporting Errors Submission Errors Warnings Execution Date start
1 ∮ Download Test Deck Download and import this data into your EHR clinical quality measure calculator. ▲ Download QRDA Category I (.zip)	2 f Filter Patients Remove any patients not meeting the following criteria. Age As Of July 14, 2017 Minimum 62 Ethnicities Not Hispanic or Latino (code: 2186-5)	3 Upload Files Upload results from the EHR system in the form of a zip file of QRDA Category I documents to get test results. This will automatically run a test execution. Select file

Figure 42. Category I Test Page for Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Discharged ED Patients

• Patient test data for the specified test must be downloaded in the format required for the test. This step, and those following, adhere to the same process as the steps outlined in the *Measure Tests* section, and will not be repeated here.

3.5 Test Execution Success Criteria

The criteria to determine a successful test outcome depend on whether the health IT product is being certified against the EP eCQMs or the EH eCQMs. The criteria for test execution success are as follows:

- For EP eCQMs, a successful test outcome is one in which the following conditions are true:
 - 1. There were no XML validation errors in either the QRDA Category I submitted data or the QRDA Category III submitted data.
 - 2. All of the eCQM results calculated and submitted by the health IT SUT exactly match the values that Cypress v6 was expecting.
- For EH eCQMs, a successful test outcome is one in which the following conditions are true:
 - 1. There were no XML validation errors in either the QRDA Category I submitted data or the QRDA Category III submitted data.
 - 2. All of the eCQM results calculated and submitted by the health IT SUT for discrete measures exactly match the values that Cypress v6 was expecting.
 - 3. The eCQM results calculated and submitted by the health IT SUT for continuous variable tests are within a defined delta of the value that Cypress v6 was expecting.

For both types of technologies, it is acceptable to have XML validation *warnings* generated by the Cypress validation process. These warnings do not constitute a test failure; however, the Test Proctor should review the warnings generated and record any relevant observations about the reasons for the warnings.

Cypress groups failed test cases into three categories: (1) QRDA errors associated with logic and improper use of the QRDA standard, (2) reporting errors associated with errors in the calculation and aggregation of measure data for reporting purposes, and (3) submission errors associated with improper logic and formatting for submitting measure data to CMS. In addition to errors, Cypress will flag and report on warnings that indicate non-conformance with the CMS Implementation Guide (and associated schematron validation). Note, for health IT products not certifying for reporting (C3), non-conformance with the HL7 QRDA Implementation Guide will be treated as warnings. Figure 43 provides an example of measure test failure results.

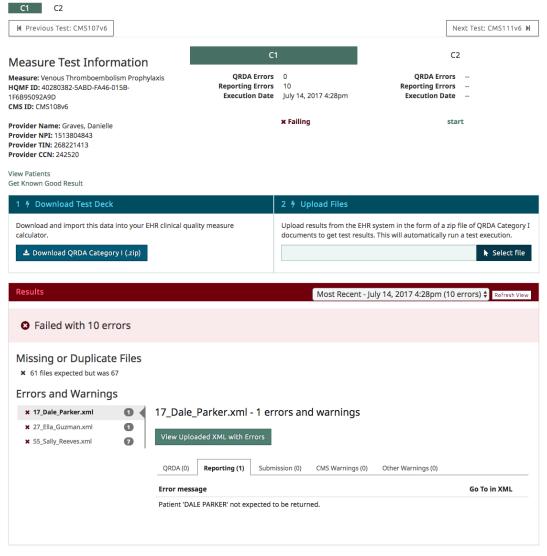


Figure 43. Measure Test Failure Messages

3.6 Submit

Electronically Submit Generated eCQM Artifacts

This functionality allows evaluation of the capability to electronically submit (a) calculated quality measures in accordance with the standard and implementation specifications, and (b) exported patient data sufficient to allow external calculation as follows:

- The Test Proctor commands the health IT SUT to generate and electronically submit the patient-level export in the QRDA Category I format for the clinical quality measures being tested.
- The Test Proctor commands the health IT SUT to generate and electronically submit an aggregate report in the QRDA Category III format of the clinical quality measures calculated in the test.
- The Test Proctor validates that the calculated clinical quality measures are submitted in accordance with the QRDA Category III standard and implementation specifications by uploading the QRDA Category III XML via the Cypress v6 User Interface and the Cypress-supplied XML Schema validation.
- The Test Proctor validates that the exported patient-level eCQM data are submitted in accordance with the QRDA Category I standard and implementation specifications by uploading the QRDA Category I XML via the Cypress v6 User Interface and the Cypress-supplied XML Schema validation.

3.7 Verify

Verify Electronic and Accurate Generation of Clinical Quality Measure Artifacts

This functionality allows evaluation of the capability to electronically and accurately generate eCQM artifacts appropriate for each phase of the test procedure as follows:

- After the Test Proctor validates the submission of the QRDA Category III, the Test Proctor evaluates and displays the accuracy of the submitted clinical quality measure results via the Cypress v6 User Interface.
- The Test Proctor generates a test artifact bundle containing all test data used for this test execution, all products generated and submitted by the health IT SUT, and any other additional notes or information that the Test Proctor deems relevant into a single archive file that is cryptographically signed.

3.8 Cypress Validation Utility + Calculation Check (CVU+)

This functionality integrates the existing Cypress Validation Utility into Cypress with the following enhancements to align with the CMS submission systems:

- **Developer-generated Test Patients** A vendor can supplement Cypress test patients with their own test patients to increase eCQM logic/code coverage.
- **Code System Preference** A vendor can choose preferences for the code systems to be used in test patients.

- **Multi-Measure Tests** A vendor can test calculations with a single test deck across multiple measures.
- Enhanced CMS Implementation Guide Validations CVU+ verifies Implementation Guide constraints that are not validated by schematron.

3.8.1 Developer-Generated Test Patients

After following the instructions in subsection 3.3, Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing, to add a vendor, a user can manage a set of 'Vendor Patients' for use with CVU+ tests created for that vendor. This set of 'Vendor Patients' can be managed by selecting Vendor Patients from the Vendor Page as shown in Figure 44.

CYPRESS 5.0.0	Ξ
Dashboard > Vendor: Sample Vendor	
Sample Vendor	📽 Vendor Preferences 🛛 😢 Vendor Patients 🖌 Edit Vendor
Start EHR Certification with	
+ Add Product	

Figure 44. Vendor Page Select Vendor Patients

From the Vendor Patient page, you can add Vendor Patients by selecting **Import Patients** from the Vendor Patients page as shown in Figure 45.

Dashboard	Vendor: Sample Vendor	> Patient List	
Sample	Vendor Patient Li	st	+ Import Patients
Filter Pa	tients		Annual Update Bundle
Type to searc	h by measure		• Cypress bundle for the 2020 Reporting/Performance period
Type the na	me or CMS ID of a measure		(eCQM value sets as of May 10, 2019)
All Patie	nts		

No patient results for the current criteria.

Figure 45. Import Patients

From the **Import Patients** page, you can **select** the bundle you would like to upload the Vendor Patients into (e.g., Cypress Bundle for 2020 Reporting/Performance period). Select **Choose File**

on the **Import Patients** page to select a .zip file of QRDA documents to upload. After a .zip file of QRDA documents is chosen, select **Import Patients** to start the import process as shown in Figure 46.

Dashboard	Vendor: Sample Vendor	Patient List 🚿	Add Patient	
Import	Patients			
Annual Upd	ate Bundle			
Cypress	bundle for the 2021 Repo	orting/Performa	nce period (eC	QM value sets as of May 7, 2020)
Select the ani	nual update bundle with which	the uploaded pat	ients should be a	sociated
Add Patient	S			
Choose File	No file chosen			
Import Pa	tients Cancel			

Figure 46. Import Vendor Patients

After the import process has completed you will be redirected back to the Vendor Patients page where you will be able to view a listing of the imported patients shown in Figure 47. The Vendor Patients page has all of functionally as the Master Patient List. This functionality is described in subsection 3.2.1, Master Patient List.

Dashboard	Vendor: Sample Vendor > Patien	nt List	+ Import Patients
Filter Pat		Annual Update Bundle	
Type the nam	ne or CMS ID of a measure	 Cypress bundle for the 2021 Reportin of May 7, 2020) 	g/Performance period (eCQM value sets as
All Patier View Patient Ar			
Select	Patient Name	DOB	Gender
	Vendor Patient 1	September 17, 1976	Female
	Vendor Patient 2	January 10, 1960	Male

Figure 47. Listing of Imported Vendor Patients

From the Vendor Patients page, you can also delete patients you would no longer like to use in test generation. Deleting patients is accomplished by selecting the checkboxes to the left of the patients you would like removed and selecting Delete Selected Patients when it appears at the

bottom of the page. This is shown in Figure 48. Note that a confirmation action is required to complete the any deletion actions.

Filter Pat		Orpress bundle for the 2021 Reporting/P of May 7, 2020)	erformance period (eCQM value sets as
All Patien /iew Patient An Select		DOB	Gender
	Vendor Patient 1	September 17, 1976	Female
	Vendor Patient 2	January 10, 1960	Male

Figure 48. Delete Selected Patients

3.8.2 Code System Preference

After following the instruction subsection 3.3, Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing, to add a vendor, a user can manage code system preferences for use with CVU+ tests created for that vendor. These code system preferences will be used when selecting the codes to be included in generated test patients. Code system preference can be managed by selecting **Vendor Preference** from the **Vendor Page** as shown in Figure 49.

Dashboard > Vendor: Sample Vendor	
Sample Vendor	🛠 Vendor Preferences 😕 Vendor Patients 🖌 🖌 Edit Vendor
Start EHR Certification with	
+ Add Product	

Figure 49. Vendor Preferences

On the **Vendor Preferences** page you can reorder the list of code systems available for each Quality Data Model data type. For example, the Adverse Event data types uses codes from the

RXNORM and SNOMEDCT code systems. You can indicate RXNORM as your preferred code system by clicking and dragging the handle on the left side of the code system name and moving it to the top of the list as shown in Figure 50. By prioritizing RXNORM over SNOMEDCT, when a test patient has both RXNORM and SNOMEDCT codes available, only the RXNORM code will be exported in the QRDA document. After re-ordering a code system, you will need to select **Save** at the bottom of the page.

Adverse Event RXNORM SNOMEDCT Allergy RXNORM SNOMEDCT CPT HCPCS	Dashboard Vendor: Sample Vendo	_		
SNOMEDCT Allergy RXNORM SNOMEDCT CPT HCPCS	Choose Code System Preferen		dverse Event	
Allergy RXNORM SNOMEDCT CPT HCPCS			RXNORM	
 RXNORM SNOMEDCT CPT HCPCS 			SNOMEDCT	
SNOMEDCT CPT HCPCS			Allergy	
E CPT E HCPCS			RXNORM	
= HCPCS			SNOMEDCT	
			СРТ	
			HCPCS	
= CVX			CVX	

Figure 50. Ordering Code Systems

3.8.3 Creating CVU+ Tests

After following the instruction in subsection 3.3, Cypress v6 Preparation for Testing, to add a vendor, and following the instructions in 3.8.1, Developer Generated Patients and 3.8.2, Code System Preference, a user can create a CVU+ test to test calculations with a single test deck across multiple measures and test the ability to report QRDA documents to CMS submission systems. This test can be created by selecting Add Product from the Vendor Page as shown in Figure 51.

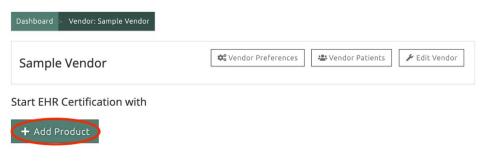


Figure 51. Add CVU+ Product

The main difference between creating a test for certification and creating a test for CVU+ is that you will need to select the CVU+ Product radio button highlighted in Figure 52 and you will have the option of selecting Include bundle patients (which will include test patients from the Cypress Bundle in the generated test decks), and the option of selecting Include vendor patient (which will include test patients uploaded following the steps in subsection 3.8.1, Developer Generated Patients). Additionally, CVU+ test do not require the selection of C1, C2, C3, or C4 certification criteria (as CVU+ is not a certification test).

me	Records Options
VU+ Product	Randomize Records
sion	Duplicate Records
	Recommended for most robust testing.
scription	Bundle Options
	Cypress bundle for the 2020 Reporting/Performance period (eCQM value sets as of May 10, 2019) 2019.0.0.2
duct Types	Select the measure versions Cypress should use to certify this product.
Certification Product	Include bundle patients
CVU+ Product	Include vendor patients
	Choose puttere sees to include in product
	Shift Records
	Selecting Shift Records will move patient data forward into the appropriate reporting period. Otherwise patient data will remain in a previously completed calendar year.
	Measures Options
	C Eligible Hospital eCQMs
	C Eligible Professional eCQMs
	All eCQMs
	• Custom
	Indicate the clinical quality measures Cypress should use to certify this product. Testing will be performed on a measure-by-measure basis. Click 'Custom' to spe individual measures.
elect Custom Measures 18🗸	Clear all
Type to filter by measure	
Type a keyword or CMS ID of a measure	
Admissions and Readmissions to Hospitals (1 EH)	
Care is Personalized and Aligned with Patient's Goals (1 EH)	Select all 6 Preventive Care measures
Communication and Care Coordination (2 EP)	
Community/Population Health (12 EP) 12 🗸	CMS71v9 Anticoagulation Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter (EH)
Effective Clinical Care (23 EP)	CMS72v8 Antithrombotic Therapy By End of Hospital Day 2 (EH)
Efficiency and Cost Reduction (4 EP)	
Patient Safety (5 EP)	CMS104v8 Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy (EH)
Person and Caregiver-Centered Experience and Outcomes (5 EP)	CMS105v8 Discharged on Statin Medication (EH)
Preventive Care (6 EH) 6	CMS108v8 Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis (EH)
	CMS190v8 Intensive Care Unit Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis (EH)



Once the CVU+ product is created, a user will be redirected to a CVU+ product page shown in Figure 53. This product page will list the Multi-Measure Tests for testing calculations with a single test deck across multiple measures, and CMS Program Tests for testing reporting requirement for CMS submission systems.

CVU+ Produ	t			🖌 Edit Product	🛓 Download Report
	EP Measure Test	EH Measure Test	CMS Program Tests	Download Full Test	t Deck
 Passing Tests 				This download contain	s a folder for each
Failing Tests				measure selected for th	
Not started Tests	1	1	8	folders are XML docum associated with that m	
				L Download All Pat	rients (zin)
	CMSProgramTest Measures			L Download All Pat	cients (.zip) Last Updated
MultiMeasureTest Test Name EH Measures		90v8, CMS71v9, CMS108v8	, CMS72v8		



3.8.3.1 Multi-Measure Tests

When a **CVU+ Product** is created, Cypress will generate (at most) two Multi-Measure Tests. Cypress will generate one Multi-Measure Test for all of the Eligible Hospital/Critical Hospital eCQMs and Cypress will generate one Multi-Measure Test for all of the Eligible Professional / Eligible Clinician eCQMs. Both **EP Measures** and **EH Measures** tests require you to download a test deck of QRDA Category I patients and import the test deck into your system. The **EP Measures** test will only require you to upload a single QRDA Category III file that reports the calculations for all of the EP/EC measure. The **EH Measures** test will only require you to upload a single zip file of QRDA Category I files for the patients being reported. Error messages that result from the upload will be displayed in the same manner as the single measure tests in Figure 43.

3.8.3.2 CMS Program Tests

When a **CVU+ Product** is created, Cypress will generate a test for each appropriate CMS program shown in Figure 54. If EH measures are selected, Cypress will generate a test for the following programs:

- Hospital Quality Reporting for the Promoting Interoperability Program (HQR_PI)
- Hospital Quality Reporting for the Inpatient Quality Reporting Program (HQR_IQR)

- Hospital Quality Reporting for the Promoting Interoperability Program and the Inpatient Quality Reporting Program (HQR_PI_IQR)
- Hospital Quality Reporting for Inpatient Quality Reporting Program voluntary submissions (HQR_IQR_VOL)

If EP/EC measures are selected, Cypress will generate a test for the following programs:

- CPC+ (CPCPLUS)
- MIPS Individual (MIPS_INDIV)
- MIPS Group (MIPS_GROUP)
- MIPS Virtual Group (MIPS_VIRTUALGROUP)

	EP Measure Test	EH Measure Test	CMS Program Tests	Download Full Test Deck
 Passing Tests 				This download contains a folder for each
Failing Tests				measure selected for this product. Inside the
) Not started Tests	1	1	10	folders are XML documents for each patient associated with that measure.
				🛃 Download All Patients (.zip)
MultiMeasureTest CM	SProgramTest			
est Name		Quick Upload		to set the desired
		Quick opioau		Last Updated
HQR_PI Test		Start upload	d	©5 minutes ago
			_	•
IQR_IQR Test		O start upload	d	©5 minutes ago
IQR_IQR Test		O start uploar	a a	©5 minutes ago ©5 minutes ago
HQR_IQR Test HQR_PI_IQR Test HQR_IQR_VOL Test		O start uploa	a a a	©5 minutes ago ©5 minutes ago ©5 minutes ago
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Figure 54. CMS Program Tests

CMS Program Tests follow a similar workflow as the C1 Record Sample Tests described in subsection 3.4.2. Clicking in the CMS Program Test name (shown in Figure 55) will take you to a test page for the specific program shown in Figure 56.

MultiMeasureTest CMSProgramTest		
Test Name	Quick Upload	Last Updated
HQR_PI Test	Start upload	©5 minutes ago
HQR_IQR Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
HQR_PI_IQR Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
HQR_IQR_VOL Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
MIPS_GROUP Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
MIPS_INDIV Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
MIPS_VIRTUALGROUP Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
CPCPLUS Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago
HL7 Cat I Test	Start upload	©5 minutes ago
HL7 Cat III Test	Start upload	③5 minutes ago

Figure 55. Select CMS Program Test

ashboard Ve	ndor: Health IT Vend	dor Product: My Health IT Proc	luct > Program Test	
/IS Impler	nentation G	uide Checklist (HQR_	PI)	
🕈 CMS Imp	lementation Guio	de Checklist Instructions		
 The " This i Export (at let one of the constraint of the constr	CMS IG Conformanc information may nee east) one QRDA file t ess will attempt to fir n the information is found to formation is found to ew Results link for: cional Program speci	o your EHR and record the entered e Statement Reference" can be use d to be entered into a patient recor hat contains the information below d the information below in the upl found, a green checkmark will appe will also be indicated. fic validations. t (for QRDA Category I uploads).	d to find specific guidance rd, a provider profile or as and upload to Cypress. oaded QRDA files.	in the CMS Implementation Guide a system configuration.
pload results fro	om the EHR system ii	n the form of a zip file of QRDA Cate	egory I documents to get t	est results. This will automatically
	on.			► Select file
Upload Results	on.		atus Not Started	-
un a test executi Upload Results O Not Started Validated in QRDA	on.			
Upload Results O Not Started Validated in		0	Not Started CMS IG Conformance Statement Reference	Select file
Upload Results O Not Started Validated in	Data Criteria CMS Certification	O Description The organizations Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN). CCN	Not Started CMS IG Conformance Statement Reference	Select file

Figure 56. CMS Program Test

Similar to the C1 Record Sample test, prior to running the CMS Program Test, you are required to fill out an entry form of information to capture in your EHR. The required information is specified in the CMS Implementation Guides for QRDA Category I and QRDA Category III. The specific conformance statement reference can be used to find the specific references in the appropriate CMS Implementation Guide. For example, HQR_PR requires that a system be able to report a patient's Medicare HIC Number.

For example, you can demonstrate capturing this information by assigning a Medicare HIC Number of 1EG4TESMK73 to a test patient in your EHR system. Use the input form in Cypress to track the information that you have entered into your EHR. After entering all of the required information, **Save** the form shown in Figure 57. (Note that the example has only captured one of the seven required fields.)

alidated in QRDA	Data Criteria	Description	CMS IG Conformance Statement Reference	Recorded Value in Health IT
	CMS Certification Number	The organizations Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN). CCN is required for HQR.	(CONF:4388-28241_C01)	
	Medicare HIC Number	Medicare HIC Number is not required for HQR but should be submitted if the payer is Medicare and the patient has an HIC number assigned.	(CONF:4388- 16857_C01)	1EG4TE5MK73
	Patient Identification Number	Patient Identification Number is required for HQR.	(CONF:CMS_0009)	
	Medicare Beneficiary Identifier	Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) is not required for HQR but should be submitted if the payer is Medicare and the patient has an MBI number assigned.	(CONF:4388- 28697_C01)	
	CMS EHR Certification ID	The Certified Health Information Technology (IT) Product List (CHPL) is the authoritative and comprehensive listing of health IT certified through the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Health IT Certification Program. A CMS EHR Certification Identification Number is a number generated by the CHPL and used for reporting to CMS.	(CONF:CMS_0005)	
	Tax Identification Number	For HQR, TIN may not be applicable. If TIN is submitted for HQR, then it SHALL conform to the constraints specified for TIN. and the TIN must be in valid format (9 decimal digits).	(CONF:4388-16593)	
	National Provider Identification number	For HQR, NPI may not be applicable. If NPI is submitted for HQR, then the NPI SHALL conform to the constraints specified for NPI and the NPI must be in the correct format.	(CONF:3364-28497)	
Save				

Figure 57. Capture CMS-Specific Information

After saving, upload a .zip file with QRDA documents you created (in your EHR) with the information specified in the form (Note that the information does not need to be in a single QRDA document). Once the .zip file is uploaded, Cypress will verify that the expected information can be found in the uploaded QRDA files. When Cypress finds the required data

criteria, a checkmark will indicate the data criteria has been found with a note indicating which file that file was found in. For example, in Figure 58 the Medicare HIC Number was found in the file 0_CVU_Patient.xml.

alidated in QRDA	Data Criteria	Description	CMS IG Conformance Statement Reference	Recorded Value in Health IT
	CMS Certification Number	The organizations Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN). CCN is required for HQR.	(CONF:4388-28241_C01)	
(0_CVU_Patient.xml)	Medicare HIC Number	Medicare HIC Number is not required for HQR but should be submitted if the payer is Medicare and the patient has an HIC number assigned.	(CONF:4388- 16857_C01)	1EG4TE5MK73
	Patient Identification Number	Patient Identification Number is required for HQR.	(CONF:CMS_0009)	

Figure 58. Verifying CMS Specific Information

In addition to finding the required data, Cypress preforms additional validations described in the CMS Implementation Guide, as well as performs measure calculation for the uploaded QRDA Category I documents. The results of these validations and calculations can be found by selecting **View Results** in Figure 59.

				▶ Sele
View Results			Status × Failing	
/alidated in QRDA	Data Criteria	Description	CMS IG Conformance Statement Reference	Recorded Value in Health IT
	CMS Certification Number	The organizations Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN). CCN is required for HQR.	(CONF:4388-28241_C01)	
✓ (0_CVU_Patient.xml)	Medicare HIC Number	Medicare HIC Number is not required for HQR but should be submitted if the payer is Medicare and the patient has an HIC number assigned.	(CONF:4388- 16857_C01)	1EG4TE5MK73
	Patient Identification Number	Patient Identification Number is required for HQR.	(CONF:CMS_0009)	
	Medicare Beneficiary Identifier	Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) is not required for HQR but should be submitted if the payer is Medicare and the patient has an MBI number assigned.	(CONF:4388- 28697_C01)	
	CMS EHR Certification ID	The Certified Health Information Technology (T] Product List (CHPL) is the authoritative and comprehensive listing of health IT certified through the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Health IT Certification Program A. CMS EHR Certification Program A. CMS EHR Certification Number is a number generated by the CHPL and used for reporting to CMS.	(CONF:CMS_0005)	
	Tax Identification Number	For HQR, TIN may not be applicable. If TIN is submitted for HQR, then it SHALL conform to the constraints specified for TIN. and the TIN must be in valid format (9 decimal digits).	(CONF:4388-16593)	
	National Provider Identification number	For HQR, NPI may not be applicable. If NPI is submitted for HQR, then the NPI SHALL conform to the constraints specified for NPI and the NPI must be in the correct format.	(CONF:3364-28497)	

Figure 59. View Results and Calculation for CMS Program Test

On the **View Results** page you can view the validation errors for the uploaded documents and view the measure calculations for the uploaded documents. Figure 60 shows validation error and measure calculations.

Results				Most	Recent - Ju	ne 24, 2019 5:	54pm (8 er	rors) 🗘 Refresh View
S Failed with 8 erro	ors							
Missing or Duplicate CMS Certification Number Patient Identification Num Medicare Beneficiary Iden CMS EHR Certification ID r Tax Identification Number National Provider Identific	not comple ober not cor otifier not co not complet r not comple	nplete mplete e ete						
Errors and Warning	S							
× 0_CVU_Patient.xml	2	0_CVU_Patient.xml - 2	2 errors and	l warn	ings			
		Measure Calculatior	าร					
				IPOP	DENOM	NUMER	DENEX	DENEXCEP
		CMS71v9 - PopulationSet_1						
		CMS72v8 - PopulationSet_1						
		CMS104v8 - PopulationSet_1						
		CMS105v8 - PopulationSet_1						
		CMS108v8 - PopulationSet_1		1	1		1	
		CMS190v8 - PopulationSet_1		1	1		1	
		View Uploaded XML with Er	rors					
		QRDA (0) Reporting (1)	Submission (1)	CMS W	arnings (0)	Other Warning	s (0)	
		Error message						Go To in XML
		Expected to find program 'HQ	R_PI' but no prog	ram code	was found.			

Figure 60. Validation Results and Measure Calculation

Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
ACO	Accountable Care Organization
ATL	Authorized Testing Lab
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CQM	Clinical Quality Measure
eCQM	Electronic Clinical Quality Measure
EH	Eligible Hospital
EHR	Electronic Health Record
EP	Eligible Professional
FFRDC	Federally Funded Research and Development Center
HEALTH FFRDC	CMS Alliance to Modernize Healthcare
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services
HL7	Health Level Seven International
HTML	Hypertext Markup Language
IG	Implementation Guide
IT	Information Technology
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
ONC	Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
QDM	Quality Data Model
QRDA	Quality Reporting Document Architecture
SUT	System Under Test
XML	Extensible Markup Language