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1. Introduction

1.1 CMIT Overview

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Measures Inventory Tool (CMIT) is the repository of record for information about the measures CMS uses to promote healthcare quality and quality improvement. CMS and its partners use CMIT to inform stakeholders, manage its measures portfolio, and guide measure development.

There are two instances of CMIT: a public instance (“CMIT Public”) and a controlled access instance (“CMIT Controlled Access”). The public instance does not require authentication but lacks some features present in the controlled access instance. Throughout this guide, features available only in the controlled access instance are indicated by the phrase “Controlled Access Only.”

CMIT works with most modern browsers. However, the best experience occurs when using the most current versions of:

- Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Mozilla Firefox
- Apple Safari
- Google Chrome

When using Microsoft Internet Explorer, it is best to turn off compatibility mode. In any browser, disable pop-up blockers; some site content appears in pop-up windows. To optimize the appearance of CMIT, set the screen resolution to a minimum of 800 x 600.

1.2 User Guide Overview

The CMIT User Guide provides information to explain and help navigate and use the CMIT site effectively. This guide is the companion guide for CMIT Software Version 1.6.5 and Data Version 2017-10-15. It uses screen shots and narrative to describe how to use CMIT. When the user is required to complete an action, the word appears in bold text. For example: click on Save, enter your password. Hyperlinked items appear in blue, underlined text.

2. Accessing CMIT

2.1 Access the CMIT Public Instance

The public instance of CMIT is available at https://cmit.cms.gov. This instance does not require authentication.

2.2 Accessing the CMIT Controlled Access Instance

To access the controlled access instance of CMIT, potential users must request and be
granted access by CMS. To request access, visit https://cmitmms.cms.gov/CMIT/ViewAccountRequest. Requests for access generally will be processed within 2–3 business days. If your request is approved, you will receive an email from CMIT-no-reply@battelle.org that contains the text, “An account has been created for you in CMS CMIT. Please click the following link to activate your account...” and will include a hyperlink to the CMIT login page.

The controlled access instance of CMIT is available at https://cmitmms.cms.gov.

2.3 CMIT Login (Controlled Access Only)

2.3.1. Setting Your Password (Controlled Access Only)

To set your password, navigate to the login page from the hyperlink provided in the “CMIT: Activate your account” email. The CMIT Login page will appear as shown in Figure 1.

![Change Password](image)

Figure 1. CMIT Activation page

Enter a password of your choice into the **New Password** and **Confirm New Password** boxes and click **Reset Password**. Your password must meet the criteria listed on the page.

2.3.2. Two-Factor Authentication Setup (Controlled Access Only)

CMIT requires two-factor authentication to provide the needed level of security as designated by CMS. An authenticator is a way to prove to a computer system that you really are who you are (called authentication). The two required factors are:

- Your password, and
- A token code (see Figure 2) generated by Google Authenticator (see Figure 10 or Figure 11)
You must install Google Authenticator on a supported CMS-owned or personal mobile device to access CMIT. Google Authenticator is available for the following mobile devices:

- iOS (iPhone, iPad, iPod),
- Android, and
- Blackberry

If you do not have or are unwilling to use one of these devices, you will not be able to access the controlled access instance of CMIT, but you can search the inventory using the public site available at https://cmit.cms.gov.

Google Authenticator is available for free from the App Store (iOS), Google Play (Android), or m.google.com/authenticator (Blackberry). A single instance of Google Authenticator will support multiple accounts from different applications and with different shared keys.

After installing Google Authenticator on your mobile device, start the app as shown in Figure 3.
Figure 3. Google Authenticator App (iPhone)

Tap **Begin Setup** on Google Authenticator’s initial screen as shown in Figure 4 and Figure 5.
Following the instructions shown on screen in CMIT (Figure 2), tap **Scan barcode** or **Manual entry** as desired on the menu as shown in Figure 6 and Figure 7. Scanning the barcode is easier and more reliable.
If you scan the barcode, the account will be named appropriately. However, you can edit the name as you desire.
If you chose manual entry, name the account to indicate the system to which this code is linked, for example, “CMIT Code”, and enter your Key shown as shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9. Your Key is displayed on the CMIT Authenticator Key Verification screen as shown in Figure 2. The Key is case-sensitive. Take care during entry because an incorrect Key will cause Google Authenticator to generate incorrect Token Code values and you will not be able to log in. You may also choose to record this value in a safe place in case you lose access to your phone.

Figure 8. Google Authenticator Manual Entry - Completed (iPhone)
Figure 9. Google Authenticator Manual Entry - Completed (Android)

Click the checkmark in the upper right-hand corner (Figure 8), or the Add button in the bottom right of the form (Figure 9), to save the entry. Once this CMIT-specific code is entered into the Google Authenticator app, it does not need to be entered again. Every time you log into CMIT, you will go into the Google Authenticator app to obtain a new token code.

Google Authenticator will return to the main screen shown in Figure 10, or a confirmation screen as shown in Figure 11, where it will show the account that you have added. Google Authenticator allows you to set up multiple accounts for different websites or applications. You can also set up the same account on multiple devices if you use the same value for Key.
As shown in Figure 12, enter the **Token Code** displayed in Google Authenticator for your CMIT account and click **Continue**. Google Authenticator will generate a new
**Token Code** every 30 seconds. The small timer to the right of the code indicates how much time remains before the code changes.

![Enter Google Authenticator Code](image)

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![Figure 12. CMIT Authenticator Key Verification - Completed](image)

### 2.3.3. Logging In (Controlled Access Only)

To login into CMIT, conduct the following steps:

- Open your browser and navigate to [https://cmitmms.cms.gov](https://cmitmms.cms.gov)
- Enter your **Username** (note that the system will auto-populate your username as you type, following your initial login) and **Password**
- Click **Sign In**
- Enter the current **Token Code** from your CMIT account in Google Authenticator
- Click **Continue**

Note that during the current login session, the site will remember and return you to the last view you selected when you exit and re-enter the site. Your login session terminates when you explicitly log out or after 15 minutes of inactivity. Otherwise, the site opens to the Measure Inventory page (See Measure Inventory).

### 2.4 Changing Your Password (Controlled Access Only)

To change or reset your password, click the downward-facing arrow to the right of your name, the option to **Manage My Account** will appear, as shown in Figure 13.
Figure 13. Manage My Account Option

Click on **Manage My Account** to open the page shown in Figure 14.

![Manage My Account](image1)

**Figure 14. Update Password Option**

Execute the following steps to change your password:

- Enter your **Current Password** in the appropriate field
- Enter your new password in the **New Password** field
- Enter the same new password into the **Confirm New Password** field
- Click the **Update** button
2.5 Forgetting Your Password (Controlled Access Only)

If you forget your password, click **Forgot Password?** on the login page. The password recovery page, shown in Figure 15, will open. Type your email address in the **Email** box and click **Submit**. You will receive a new, system-generated activation email with a link to reset your password.

![Password Recovery](image)

**Figure 15. Password Recovery Page**

2.6 Losing Your Google Authenticator Key (Controlled Access Only)

If you lose your Google Authenticator Key due to a lost or broken mobile device, or due to getting a new mobile device, you must request that your key be reset through the support page. The next time you log onto CMIT after the key is reset, the system will display your new authenticator key so that you can set up a new account in Google Authenticator (see 2.3.2).

2.7 CMIT Logout (Controlled Access Only)

To logout of CMIT, as shown in Figure 16:

- Click the pull-down menu next to your username, **Logout** will appear
- Click **Logout**
Once you click **Logout**, the system takes you to the CMIT login page. Your login session will also terminate after 15 minutes of inactivity, whether you have the site open in your browser or have closed the site without explicitly logging out.

### 3. Getting Started

#### 3.1 Locating the User Guide

To access, save, or print a copy of the user guide from any page, follow these steps:

- Click the **About** drop-down menu at the top right corner of the page; the drop-down menu includes **About this Site, Contact Us, User Guide** and **Privacy Policy**
- Click **User Guide** as shown in Figure 17
A new browser tab will open, displaying the **User Guide**, as shown in Figure 18.
• Hover the cursor near the bottom of the page and the options display shown in Figure 19 will appear. Options include saving, printing, paging up or down, and enlarging or shrinking the document.

![Figure 19. Display Options for CMIT User Guide](image)

• Select the appropriate icon to either save or print the guide
• To navigate back to CMIT, click the **Measure Inventory** tab on your browser

### 3.2 Hyperlinks

Many items in CMIT are hyperlinked. Hyperlinks display in two ways:

• **Blue Text**
• **Pointing Finger Icon** – When you move the cursor over a hyperlink not displayed in blue text, the pointing finger icon appears, shown in Figure 20, indicating that you can click on the hyperlink to complete a function.

![Figure 20. Pointing Finger Hyperlink Indicator](image)
3.3 Contact Us

For support on CMIT, click **Contact Us** from the **About** pull-down menu as shown in Figure 21.

![Contact Us Link](image)

**Figure 21. Contact Us Link**

The **Contact Us** page will open, as shown in Figure 22.

![Contact Us Page](image)

**Figure 22. Support e-mail Link on the Contact Us Page**
Follow the directions outlined on the Contact Us page if you have any questions regarding the purpose, content, or functionality of the site.

4. Measure Inventory

CMIT describes each measure using a set of attributes such as Measure Title, Description, Numerator, Denominator, and Measure Type (refer to Appendix C for a full list), and allows users to browse, search, sort, filter, export, view, print, and summarize the measures. Once you are logged into the system, CMIT defaults to the Measure Inventory page, shown in Figure 23.

![Figure 23. CMIT default Measure Inventory page](image)

The Measure Inventory is the repository of record for information about the measures which CMS uses to promote healthcare quality and quality improvement. CMS and its partners use this measure inventory to inform stakeholders, to manage its measure portfolio, and to guide measure development. The inventory contains information describing each of the measures including the measure title, program, status, measure groups, quality domain, development stage, healthcare priorities, and other measure specifications. See Appendix C for a complete list of measure specifications available in CMIT.

If you navigate away from the Measure Inventory page, you can return to it by clicking the Measure Inventory tab, as shown in Figure 24.
4.1 Measure Inventory View Types

The Measure Inventory page displays measures in two view types, Measure Results and Measure Program Results, as shown in Figure 25. To change the View Type, simply click the appropriate option.

The Measure Results view provides a hyperlinked list of measures along with other descriptors. It contains one result per measure regardless of how many programs are associated with that measure; therefore, a measure will not be repeated once for each
program with which it is associated. Hovering over a column name in the table header will display a tool tip describing the column.

Figure 26. Measure Inventory page using the Measure Program Results View

The Measure Program Results view provides a hyperlinked list of measures along with other descriptors, as shown in Figure 26. It contains one result per measure and program combination; therefore, a measure will be repeated once for each program with which it is associated. Note that the counts returned are the number of measure program combinations, not necessarily the number of discrete measures. Hovering over a column name in the table header will display a tool tip describing the column.

4.2 Measure Inventory Filters

If you click on the question-mark icon next to FILTERS, a pop-up dialogue box provides a brief explanation of the filter feature, as shown in Figure 27.
Both Measure Inventory View Types include filters which allow you to refine your search, as shown in Figure 28. See Appendix C for a complete list of measure specification filter categories (a.k.a. columns) available in CMIT.

You can choose more than one Filter and more than one Filter Category within each Filter to narrow search results. Filter Categories appear when you click the Filter name. As seen in Figure 28, the number in parenthesis to the right of the Filter Category indicates the number of measures that meet that criteria.
Filtering is only available for columns with limited possible values (that is, it is not available for columns that have free text). As shown in Figure 29, the list of available Filters appears on the left hand side of the Measure Inventory Screen.

Figure 29. Filter Categories

To activate a Filter Category, click the appropriate plus sign to the left of the category. A list of sub-categories will be displayed. To select a sub-category, click the appropriate box to the left of the sub-category. A check mark will appear inside the box, indicating that a Filter Selection has been made, as shown in Figure 30.
Figure 30. Filter Selection

After making a Filter Selection, the system updates the result list with the active filters listed above the results list, as shown in Figure 31.

Figure 31. Filter Indication

To remove a filter selection, click on the x next to the filter name. To remove all filter selections, click on the Clear All button, as shown in Figure 32.
4.3 Viewing Measure Properties in the Measure Inventory

Clicking a hyperlinked measure name on the Measure Inventory page takes you to the Measure Properties page for the selected measure. This page includes tabs titled Measure Properties, Steward/Contractor, Measure Characteristics, Measure Groups, Measure Programs and Environmental Scan.

As an example, if you click on the measure titled Aspirin prescribed at discharge for AMI, the Measure Properties page, shown in Figure 33, will open. The Measure Properties page displays all the detailed information about the measure including the Description, Numerator, Denominator, Denominator Exclusions, Rationale, and Evidence. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field.
Aspirin prescribed at discharge for AMI (Chart-abstracted)

**NOF ENDORSEMENT STATUS**: Endorsed - Reserve  |  **NOF ID**: D0142  |  **MEASURE TYPE**: Process  |  **LAST UPDATED IN CMTE**: 2017-06-26

![Table](https://example.com/table.png)

**Figure 33. Truncated View of a Measure Properties Page**

The **Developer/Steward** tab displays all the detailed information about the measure Steward or Contractor including the Steward, Contractor, and Agency Contact, as shown in Figure 34. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field.

Aspirin prescribed at discharge for AMI (Chart-abstracted)

**NOF ENDORSEMENT STATUS**: Endorsed - Reserve  |  **NOF ID**: D0142  |  **MEASURE TYPE**: Process  |  **LAST UPDATED IN CMTE**: 2017-06-26

![Table](https://example.com/table.png)

**Figure 34. Truncated View of a Developer/Steward Tab**

The **Characteristics** tab displays all the detailed information about the measure including the Type, the NQF Endorsement Status, the NQF ID and the Last NQF Update, as shown in Figure 35. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field.
Figure 35. Truncated View of a Measure Characteristics Tab

The **Groups** tab displays all the detailed information about the measure groups for this measure including the Measure Group and the Identifier, as shown in Figure 36. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field.

Figure 36. Truncated View of a Measure Groups Tab

The **Programs** tab displays all the detailed information about the measure programs, as shown in Figure 37. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field.
The Environmental Scan tab (Controlled Access Only) displays a list of medical literature citations which are likely relevant to the selected measure. Each row on this tab represents one citation and includes the Relevance, Source, Publication Date, Source Document Title, User Relevance Ratings, and a View Full Text button, as shown in Figure 38. Hovering over a field label will display a tool tip describing each field. See section 6 for more information about the Environmental Scan.

4.4 Showing or Hiding Columns in Measure Inventory

To show or hide columns, click the Show/Hide Columns button. The Show/Hide Columns button brings up a dialogue box, as shown in the truncated view of the page in Figure 39.
The Measure Inventory page defaults to a view that shows five columns, representing five key measure specifications. To change the columns displayed, click Show/Hide Columns. A popup box will appear that shows a list of column options; a truncated view is shown in Figure 40. Click the appropriate Column Name to indicate that you have made a selection. Click on the Column Name again to deselect a Column Name.

![Select Table Columns](image)

**Figure 40. Truncated View of Show/Hide Columns Dialogue Box**

After completing your selection, click the [x] in the top-right of the dialog or anywhere on the page (outside the popup box). The page will now show all the selected columns.
4.5 Changing the Order of Columns in the Measure Inventory

To change the order of the columns, click and hold the left mouse button on a column header and drag the column header. An image of the column header will follow the cursor and a blue line between columns will indicate where the column will be placed. Release the mouse when the column is in the desired location.

4.6 Sorting by Column in the Measure Inventory

To sort results by a specific column, click the **Column Name**. The page will refresh, showing the results sorted by your selection. As an example, Figure 41 shows the **Measure Inventory** page displaying search results sorted by the **Measure Title** column, in alphabetical order.

![Figure 41. Columns Sorted by Measure Title](image)

Note in the enlarged view of the column names shown in Figure 42 that the **Measure Title** column is selected, and set to ascending, alphabetical order, as shown by the icon beside the column name along with the reverse shading of the header.

![Figure 42. Truncated View of Columns, sorted by Measure Title](image)

To reverse the sort order, simply click the column title again. The page will refresh and display the data according to the new selection. Following the example above, Figure 43 shows an expanded, truncated view of the **Measures Inventory** page, sorted by **Measure Title**, in reverse alphabetical order.
To sort by additional columns, hold down the shift key on your keyboard, while clicking an additional column name. The page will refresh, and sort by both columns. Following the example above, Figure 44 shows the default Measure Inventory page sorted by the Measure Title column, in alphabetical order, and then by the NQF Endorsement Status.

4.7 Searching the Measure Inventory

CMIT includes a **Keyword** search field as shown in Figure 45.
Figure 45. Keyword Search

To search measures within the Measure Inventory, type one or more keywords in the search box and hit the enter key on your keyboard, or click the magnifying glass icon. The system searches all columns with text values regardless of whether those columns are currently included in the display. Searches are not case-sensitive.

You can search a single keyword, multiple keywords, or a phrase. When provided with more than one term, CMIT will return all measures containing at least one of the terms.

4.8 Saving and Opening a Search or View (Controlled Access Only)

To save a search which includes both the keywords and the filters, click the Save Search button, as shown in Figure 46.

Figure 46. Save Search Button

A pop-up dialog will appear as shown in Figure 47. Enter a name for the search and click Save.
To open a saved search, click the Open Search button. A pop-up dialog will appear as shown in Figure 48. Click on the search you wish to open. Click the trash can icon to delete a saved search.

Similarly, to save a view which includes the view type, selected columns, column order, and sort order, click the Save View button. To open a saved view, click the Open View button. A pop-up dialog will appear. Click on the view you wish to open. Click the trash can icon to delete a saved view.

4.9 Exporting the Measure Listing from the Measure Inventory

To export the predefined view or current view of the measures listed in the Measure Inventory, click the Export Excel File button, as shown in Figure 49.
The browser will download the file. The interface for saving the file is part of the browser and varies by browser. Internet Explorer presents three choices within the popup window. You can **Open** the file, **Save** the file, or **Cancel** the selection as shown in Figure 50.

Once you click the **Export Excel File** button, a yellow popup box will appear at the bottom of the screen, as shown in Figure 50. In the example below, a keyword search of **prostate cancer** returned 324 entries, and clicking **Export Excel File**, opened the popup window at the bottom of the page.
If you click **Open**, a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet opens in protected view, as shown in Figure 51. You must click **enable editing** at the top of the spreadsheet to refresh the page to a view where you can manipulate the data.

If you opt not to **Open** the file, but instead click the **Save** dropdown menu, you are prompted to **Save**, **Save as**, or **Save and open** the file.
• Click Save as. A popup window will open as shown in Figure 52
• Select the folder in which to download and save the file
• In the popup window, click Save

![Figure 52. Saving the Exported Measure Inventory](image)

5. Measure Status by Program View

CMIT can also present measures using the Measure Status by Program page. To view the Measure Status by Program page, click the Measure Status by Program tab as shown in Figure 53.

![Figure 53. Measure Status by Program Tab](image)

The Measure Status by Program page displays the count of measures by status and program in alphabetical order. Within the Measure Status by Program page, one view type is available, as shown in Figure 54.
5.1 Sorting the Measure Status by Program View

You can sort results by column by clicking a **Column Name**. CMIT indicates which columns are sorted with an icon next to the column name along with reverse shading in the column header.

To sort in reverse order, click the column title again. The page will refresh and display the data according to the new selection. As an example, Figure 55 shows the **Implemented** column is sorted in descending order.
5.2 Exporting the Measure Status by Program View

To export the current view of the Measure Status by Program, click Export Excel File as shown in Figure 56.
Once you click the **Export Excel File** button, a popup box will appear as shown in Figure 57, prompting you to **Open**, **Save**, or **Cancel** your selection.

![Figure 57. Open, Save, or Cancel selections for Measure Status by Program View](image)

If you click **Open**, a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet opens as shown in Figure 58.

![Figure 58. Opening an Excel Spreadsheet of the Measure Status by Program View](image)

If you opt not to open the file, but instead click the **Save** dropdown menu, you are prompted to **Save**, **Save as**, or **Save and open** the file.

- Click **Save as**. A popup window will open as shown in Figure 59.
- Select the folder in which to download and save the file.
- In the popup window, click **Save**.

![Image of saving exported measure status](image)

**Figure 59. Saving the Exported Measure Status by Program View**

To cancel your selection, click **Cancel**.

### 6. Environmental Scan (Controlled Access Only)

#### 6.1 What is an Environmental Scan?

The Measures Management System (MMS) is responsible for conducting a monthly environmental scan of major medical journals with reference to published articles and clinical practice guidelines that address quality measures used in CMS programs, proposed for use, or under development. The environmental scan is a listing of the top 30 most relevant abstracts and top 30 most relevant full-text articles found in PubMed (2007 to present) for each measure.

#### 6.2 Returning Results Beyond Keywords

The Environmental Scan uses traditional biomedical keywords to conduct the search, but abstracts and articles are also identified using a graph matching algorithm, where the graph is a knowledge representation of measure concepts: measure focus, target population, and evidence. These concepts are constructed from building blocks extracted from the measure summary, abstracts and articles using Natural Language Processing (NLP). Examples of building blocks include persons (including demographics), health status, use of services, care setting, and the quality construct (the structure and processes of care associated with better outcomes).

#### 6.3 How the Environmental Scan Can Be Used

The environmental scan is intended to be used as an aid to measure developers, particularly in the maintenance phase of the measure life cycle. Experienced developers may find the environmental scan useful as a benchmark against which to compare manually conducted scan, and the measure concepts extracted from the abstract and article text may serve as a useful "markup" to increase the efficiency of abstract and article review. Some developers may find the emulated “expertise” informative to understanding the industry expectations around precise and comprehensive environmental scans. Other stakeholders interested in measures used in CMS programs will find the environmental scan a convenient, current, and accessible indexing of the published literature that provides evidentiary support for the opportunity for improvement.
6.4 How to Access the Environmental Scan for Each Measure

Use CMIT to search for and identify a measure of interest, then click the measure title to open the measure details page. The environmental scan output appears on the environmental scan tab of the measure details page as shown in Figure 60. The date of the last Environmental Scan is shown at the top left of the tab. CMIT includes the Relevance, Source, Publication Date, Source Document Title, and a link to the article on PubMed. Hovering over a column name will provide a more detailed description of the column. The list may be sorted by clicking on the columns. The list of citations can be exported by clicking the Export to Excel Choices button.

![Figure 60. Environmental Scan Tab of Measure Details](image)

The Associated Measure column provides a link to other measures to which the citation is relevant. Clicking the link shows the dialog in Figure 61. This may be of assistance when working with related measures.
Figure 61. Associated Measures Dialog

The Relevant Measure Concepts column provides links to further information about why the article was considered relevant to the measure. Clicking a link shows the dialog in Figure 62 which lists the concepts found in the article organized by concept type.

Figure 62. Relevant Measure Concepts Dialog
The User Relevance Rating column allows users to provide feedback on the relevance of the article to the measure and to see other user’s feedback. Clicking a link shows the dialog in Figure 63. This feedback will be used to improve the accuracy of future Environmental Scans.

Figure 63. User Relevance Ratings Dialog
## Appendix A: CMIT Data Dictionary

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| Measure | Measure Type | Full              | Refers to the domain of quality that a measure assesses  
**Composite**: A measure that contains two or more individual measures, resulting in a single measure and a single score. Composite measures may be composed of one or more process measures and/or one or more outcome measures.  
**Cost/Resource**: Broadly applicable and comparable measures of health service counts. A resource measure counts the frequency of defined health system resources; some may further apply a dollar amount to each unit of resource.  
**Efficiency**: Refers to a measure concerning the cost of care associated with a specified level of health outcome.  
**Outcome**: A measure that assesses the results of healthcare that are experienced by patients: clinical events, recovery and health status, experiences in the health system, and efficiency/cost.  
**Patient Reported Outcome**: A measure that focuses on a patient’s report concerning observations of and participation in health care.  
**Process**: A measure that focuses on steps that should be followed to provide good care. There should be a scientific basis for believing that the process, when executed well, will increase the probability of achieving a desired outcome.  
**Structural**: A structural measure is one that assesses features of a healthcare organization or clinician relevant to its capacity to provide healthcare. |
<p>| Measure Program | MUC ID | None              | The identifier given to the measure under consideration (MUC); unique to a given MUC year. |</p>
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## Appendix B: Abbreviations

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<td>CMS Measures Inventory Tool</td>
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<td>Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services</td>
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# Appendix C: Record of Changes

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