

South Carolina Surgical Quality Collaborative (SCSQC) Key Benefits

Quality Improvement

- Better outcomes for patients
- Continuous quality improvement utilizing actionable and reliable data
- Achieve measurable reductions in post-operative complications and lower general surgery costs

Real-Time Dashboard Reporting

 High quality, risk-adjusted, actionable data immediately available to guide Quality Improvement efforts

Continuous Collaboration & Education

- Collaboration and networking with leaders to improve patient care
- Sharing of best practices
- Training the next generation of surgical leaders in quality improvement techniques
- Access to resources to improve surgical outcomes

Blue Cross Blue Shield Rewarding Excellence Points

 Hospitals that are members of the collaborative will be awarded 8 additional core points in 2023

South Carolina's Medicaid Quality-Based Payment Program

 2% of the program's funds will be distributed among SCSQC-participating hospitals each year

SCSQC Subscription Pricing Overview

- Subscription pricing is a proportional share (based upon your hospital size and licensed bed count) of the cost of the program and is made up of two components: 1) the cost of the QC Metrix software for each site (based upon hospital size/tier), and 2) a pass through of program operating costs (which includes necessary staffing, program compliance, accounting, liability insurance, legal, etc.) shared proportionally based upon facility size (licensed bed count).
- Membership in the collaborative provides sites with website availability and access to the QC Metrix software which includes access to quality dashboards, data analytics, best practices, and auto-generated reports.
- It is important to note that costs will vary year to year. For example, now that Rewarding Excellence points for participation continues to grow year over year, so has further interest. Hence, as more join, the shared cost is spread across more locations and the price goes down.
- We will continually reassess the cost structure as the collaborative seeks to continuously improve and further enhance surgical outcomes for South Carolinians.

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