



FY 2025 Annual Survey Update

October 9, 2025

FY 2025 Survey Expected Release Date

The **tentative release date** for the **FY 2025 Annual Survey** is **December 15, 2025**.

Please note that the **survey calendar will be adjusted** to reflect the later release date. Wisconsin Hospital Association Information Center (WHAIC) is committed to ensuring all facilities have sufficient time to complete each survey accurately and on schedule.

Annual Survey Training

Thank you for your patience and collaboration during the **FY 2024 survey updates**! Your partnership and dedication to data quality are greatly appreciated.

We anticipate offering **virtual survey training sessions in early December**, or as soon as the survey updates have been completed and fully tested. Some unforeseen issues and edits from FY 2024 are being addressed to enhance user experience this year—so stay tuned for more details!

Reminder:

Please verify that your **facility has primary survey contacts listed** in our system.

For new participants, each facility is responsible for compliance with annual survey data submission. All Wisconsin Medicare-certified hospitals, including psychiatric hospitals, must report survey data to the WHAIC annually, based on their fiscal year end. WHAIC collects these data in accordance with Chapter 153 of Wisconsin Statutes and DHS 120 regulations.

Survey Changes for FY 2025

This year's training will introduce several important updates and improvements based on user feedback. Key highlights include:

- 📄 **New Line-by-Line Cross Reference Document** to support validation of survey data.
- 🖋️ **Removal of Redundant Questions** and enhanced edits for improved accuracy.
- 📘 **Updated Guidelines and Instructions** across multiple sections for greater clarity.
 - *Example:* In the **Personnel Section**, "Administrators" will now include examples of **C-suite personnel**.
- 🏥 **Inpatient Units (Section II):** Inclusion of **Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine** unit, which was inadvertently omitted last year.
- 📋 **Medicare Cost Report Survey:** Expanded to capture **all lines in the Charges section** of Worksheet C.

We look forward to reviewing these changes with you during training.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please reach out to us at whainfocenter@wha.org. Our goal is to make this process as clear and efficient as possible.

🎄 Holiday Office Hours

Our office will be closed on the following dates:

- **Thursday, November 27, 2025** – Thanksgiving Day
- **Friday, November 28, 2025** – Day After Thanksgiving
- **Wednesday, December 24, 2025** – Christmas Eve (½ day, close at noon)
- **Thursday, December 25, 2025** – Christmas Day
- **Wednesday, December 31, 2025** – New Year's Eve (½ day, close at noon)

Thank you for your continued partnership in advancing data quality and healthcare transparency across Wisconsin.