<div align="center">**Measure Key**</div>

Report shows a "+" sign
If a hospital has chosen to report a measure that does not meet the minimum required volume the report will include a "+" sign. Many measures in CheckPoint include patient data that are collected over time. The rates for measures that have less than 25 cases can be viewed by clicking on the "+" sign in the report to view a trend report for that hospital and measure. Be careful if you look at the data in this way because very small changes in quality can look like large changes in the rates.

Report shows "NA"
A hospital may not provide care to the type of patients that are reported on by one or more of the measures in CheckPoint. If a patient requires care that is not provided by the hospital where they are currently receiving care, that hospital will transfer that patient to another hospital. In these instances the hospital's report will show "NA – Not Applicable"

Report shows a "-" sign:
In order for a patient's information to be included in a CheckPoint measure, that patient must meet certain criteria. The criteria ensure all hospitals collect the data the same way. If a patient's information does not meet these criteria, that case is removed from the measure. On occasion, this will eliminate all cases from the report for an individual hospital even though they provide that type of care. The hospital's report will show a "-" sign if this occurs.

Report shows "DNR":
Hospitals provide many types of care. Each hospital has a quality improvement plan that determines which types of patients they will monitor and focus their improvement efforts on. If a hospital determines they will not monitor care or report in an area where CheckPoint has measures the report will indicate "DNR" which stands for "Did Not Report".

Report shows "IP"
CheckPoint uses four quarters of data for reporting. When a hospital starts to provide a new service or starts to collect a new measure their report will indicate "IP", which stands for "In Progress" until a full four quarters of data is available for reporting.