

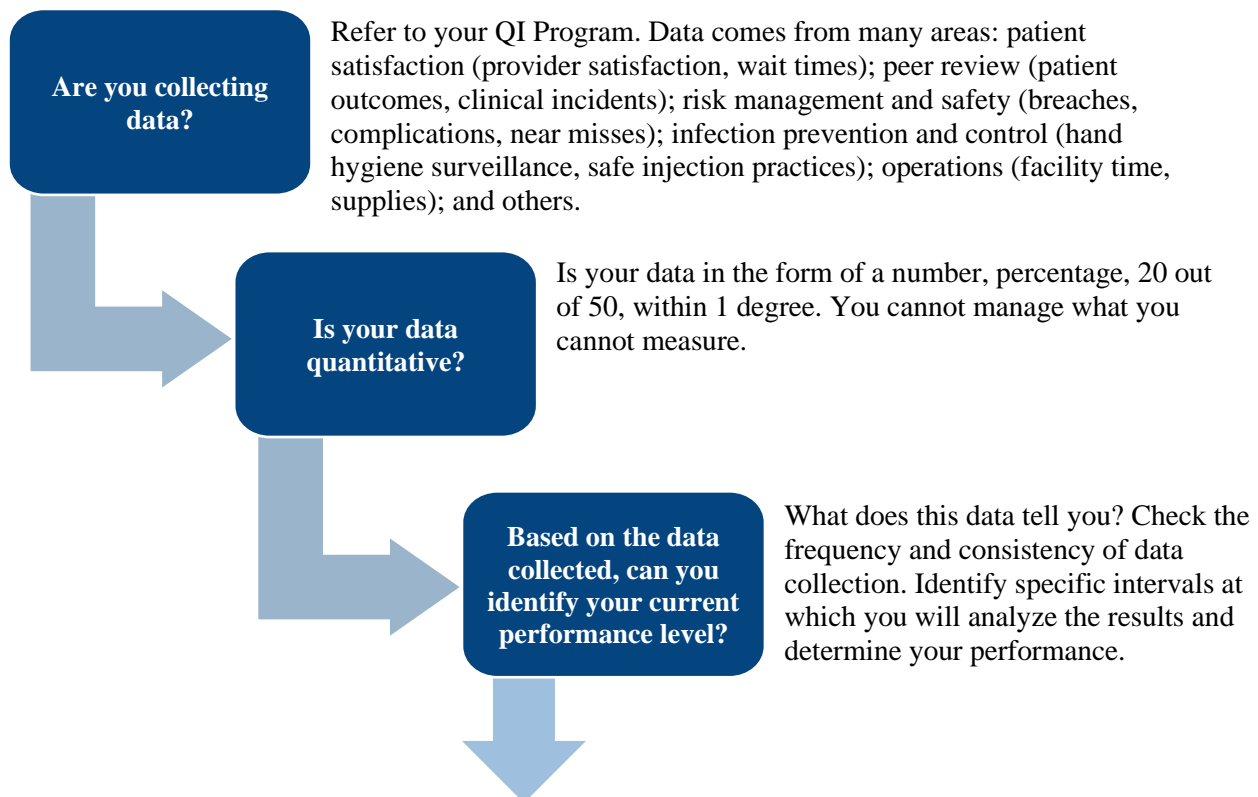
In the AAAHC Standards, v43, the Quality Category outlines the expectations for organizations to improve the quality of care, while promoting effective and efficient use of facilities and services. In striving to improve clinical quality outcomes, promote effective care delivery, and provide efficient utilization of health care services, organizations maintain a multidimensional, multidisciplinary quality management and improvement program based on comprehensive data analysis of clinical needs, risk levels, and opportunities for interventions and improvements. Quality management and improvement in an organization accounts for all stakeholders and intersects clinical and service performance indicators with risk management in an organized, systematic manner.

Organizations seeking accreditation are expected to maintain an active, integrated, organized, ongoing, data-driven program of quality management and improvement. The chart below is intended to help you use existing monitoring activities to generate a Quality Improvement (QI) study that will result in meaningful organizational improvement.

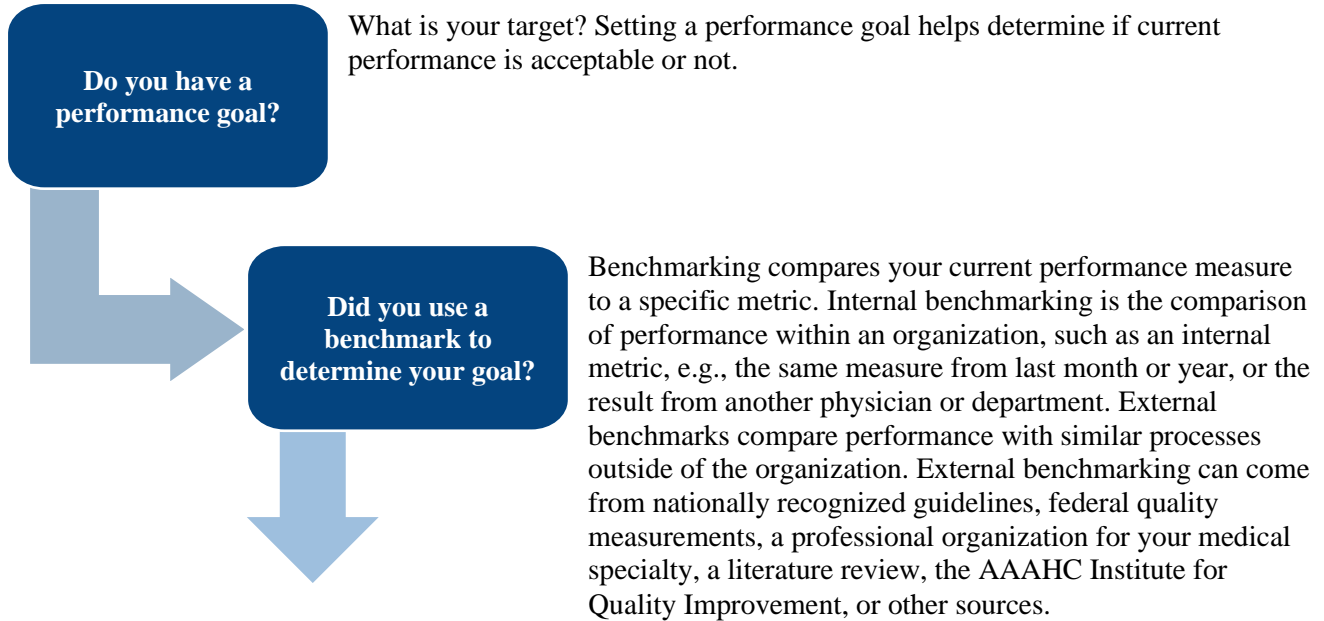
The AAAHC does not specify the model or method for monitoring activities that may result in identification of an improvement opportunity. This tool is one of many resources available to facilitate your QI efforts.

Data Collection

Answering “No” to any of the following questions requires you to stop and evaluate your process before moving to the next step.



Compare Performance



Solve the Quality Equation

