

Provider Cost of Quality Calculator (PCQC)

Release Notes

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Overview: The Provider Cost of Quality Calculator (PCQC) is a web-based tool that calculates the cost of care by levels of quality based on site-level provider data. The tool helps state policymakers, child care providers, and other stakeholders understand the costs associated with delivering high-quality child care services. Additional details available at: <https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/pcqc>.

Purpose: Release notes outline and explain enhancements, improvements, and bug fixes addressed in a particular release/version made to the PCQC system over time.

Contact/Support PCQC: If you have questions regarding any of these resources, or suggestions for additional changes, please contact QualityAssuranceCenter@ecetta.info.

Have a moment? Please take our PCQC Survey and tell us about your experience by clicking [here](#).

Required Software

Web Browser – To ensure stable usage of the PCQC website, the following web browsers are supported:

- Google Chrome 54.x or higher
- Internet Explorer 11.x or higher

Other web browsers may be used with PCQC; however, they have not been fully tested with the system.

PCQC Website URL: <https://www.ecequalitycalculator.com/>

Release History:

Features released by **January 24, 2019** and addressed the following Fixes, Added Features:

- From the BLS Salary Data Worksheet, removed the column for state minimum wage. (Ref #3957)
- Moved “Print Site Profile and Results” and “Print All Pages” from the Resources menu to the Reports tab. (Ref #3958)
- Added help text under tooltips throughout the application (Ref #3461)

Features released by **August 6, 2018** and addressed the following Fixes, Added Features:

- Changed the height of both white boxes to make room for the stacked logo/system name along with the modified text at the login page. Fixed the hyperlink for the two OCC and PCQC logo. (Ref #3621, 3665)
- Updated the intro page with the revised text and reduced the extra white space. Removed text “Click here” and kept the hyperlink to “Questions or comments?” (Ref #3669)
- Updated hyperlinks on blue bar by adding the following two buttons, “PCQC Demo Video” and “User Guide.” (Ref #3620)
- Updated the BLS wages spreadsheet under tool and salary data portion of the application. (Ref #3577)
- Increased number of allowed login attempts before lockout. (Ref #3576)
- Added text adjacent to the Print buttons on the Report page. (Ref #3619)

Features released on **March 30, 2018** and addressed the following Fixes, Added Features:

- Change in text on login page (Ref: #2271)
- Feature to share a scenario with other users with email confirmation (Ref: #2207)
- Additional feature to display website release version (Ref: #2023)

- Missing email address corrected on behalf of users (Ref: #2281)

Features released on **December 3, 2017** and addressed the following Fixes, Added Features:

- Users will be able to enter a custom minimum wage for substitutes and home-based child care assistants. (Ref: #216)

- The number of weeks a center or home is open annually will default to 52. (Ref: #216)
- The results spreadsheet includes an explanation of the information in the spreadsheet and clarifies that the results of the expense and revenue calculations are included in the lower portion of the spreadsheet. (Ref: #216)
- Additional "anchor links" were added to the top of the XLS, which allows for easy navigation to other parts of XLS. (Ref: #222)
- The program name was updated in footer of the website. (Ref: #223)
- Updates to the administrator interface which added additional security enhancements. (Ref: #202)
- On the home page, before user logs in, a link is provided which opens up a PDF document for release notes. It will have all features and changes for the release (Ref.# 238)