Who Can Query and Report to the NPDB?		
Entity	Query	Report
Title IV		
Medical malpractice payers	Prohibited	Required
Hospitals	Required*	Required
Health care entities with formal peer review	Optional	Required
Professional societies with formal peer review	Optional	Required
Boards of Medical Examiners (State Medical and Dental Boards)	Optional	Required
Other State Licensing Boards	Optional	No Requirement
Drug Enforcement Administration	Prohibited	Required
HHS Office of Inspector General	Prohibited	Required
Section 1921 and Section 1128E		
Hospitals*	Optional**	No Requirement
Health care entities with formal peer review	Optional**	No Requirement
Health plans	Optional	Required (1128E)
Professional societies with formal peer review	Optional**	No Requirement
Quality Improvement Organizations	Optional**	No Requirement
State Licensing and Certification Authorities	Optional	Required (1921)
Peer review organizations	Prohibited	Required (1921)
Private accreditation organizations	Prohibited	Required (1921)
State law enforcement agencies***	Optional	Required (1921)
State Medicaid Fraud Control Units***	Optional	Required (1921)
State agencies administering or supervising the administration of state health care programs***	Optional	Required (1921)
Agencies administering Federal health care programs, including private entities administering such	Optional	Required**** (1128E)
programs under contract		
Federal licensing and certification agencies	Optional	Required**** (1128E)
Federal law enforcement officials and agencies	Optional	Required**** (1128E)

^{*} Under Title IV, hospitals must query when physicians, dentists, and other health care practitioners apply for medical staff appointment (courtesy or otherwise) or for clinical privileges, and every two years on physicians, dentists, and other health care practitioners who are part of the medical staff or who hold privileges.

^{**} These entities are not authorized to receive exclusions, criminal convictions, civil judgments, and other adjudicated actions or decisions that are reported under Section 1921.

^{***} The NPDB regulations define "state law or fraud enforcement agency" to include but not to be limited to these entities.

^{****} Section 1128E requires reporting by "Federal Government agencies," as specified in the regulations.