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The physician specialty benchmarks are grouped into seven categories. The table lists the specialty category and the included specialties.

Category	Physician Specialties
Family Practice	Family Practice/Family Medicine
Internal Medicine	Internal Medicine
OB/GYN	OB/GYN or GYN
Pediatrics	Pediatrics and Internal Medicine Pediatrics
Other Primary Care	Geriatrics and General Practice
Surgical	Surgery and General Surgery
Other Specialty	Allergy/Immunology, Anesthesiology, Cardiology, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Dermatology, Diagnostic Radiology, Emergency Medicine, Endocrinology/Metabolism, Forensic Pathology, Gastroenterology, General Preventive Medicine, Hematology/Oncology, Medical Genetics, Nephrology, Neurology, Nuclear Medicine, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Other, Pathology, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Psychiatry, Public Health & Rehabilitation, Pulmonary Medicine, Radiology, Rheumatology, Urology, Vascular Medicine