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This Supplementary Document is designed to help guide Eligible Professionals as to the options available in participating in MIPS along with related ramifications.

#### **REPORTING OPTIONS**

#### 1. Individual Reporting

If reporting individually, the eligible clinician will be assessed at the TIN/NPI-level across the MIPS performance categories.

The provider would be assessed across all 4 MIPS performance categories accordingly.

#### **■** Exempt if:

• Provider bills less than \$30K in Medicare Part B allowed charges during a calendar year.

or

- Provider sees less than 100 Medicare Part B patients during a calendar year. or
- Enrolled in Medicare for the first time during the performance period (exempt until following performance year).

#### 2. Group Reporting

A group, as defined by Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), would be assessed as a group practice across all 4 MIPS performance categories.

If 1 provider submits data for the entire group that is sufficient for all within the group. The more data that's reported, the better score you may receive and therefore a better payment adjustment (the more providers that actively participate the better).





Each eligible clinician participating in MIPS via a group will receive a payment adjustment based on the group's performance.

#### **■** Exempt if:

• Group bills less than \$30K in Medicare Part B allowed charges during a calendar year.

or

• Group sees less than 100 Medicare Part B patients during a calendar year.

#### REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OVERVIEW

**1. Submit Something** (Avoid 4% penalty)

#### a. Improvement Activity

Providers must report 1 Improvement Activity

or

#### b. Quality Measures

Providers must report 1 Quality Measure

or

#### c. Advanced Care Information

- · EPs must meet the following:
  - Receive a 50% base score in Advancing Care Information
  - \*Required base measures for a 2014 CEHRT are as follows:
    - 1. Security Risk Analysis
    - 2. E-Prescribing
    - 3. Provide Patient Access
    - 4. Health Information Exchange

\*Please Note: These objective requirements are for the 2017 Advancing Care Information Transition Objectives and Measures. CareCloud is a 2014 CEHRT and follows this Advancing Care track.

2. Submit at Least 90 Days (Avoid penalty, and earn a potential incentive)

#### a. Quality Measure

- Most participants
  - 6 Quality Measures (including an outcome measure or another high priority measure if an outcome measure is not available)

or

1 Specialty-Specific Measure Set



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- EACH Quality Measure has to pass the following criteria in order to be compared to that Measure's Benchmark which will determine how many points they get for the Measure.
  - (1) Data Completeness Rate must be 50%, or higher.
  - (2) Performance Rate has to be greater than "0".
  - (3) They must have 20, or more, patient encounters in the Numerator of the Measure.
- If the Measure meets all 3 criteria then the Performance Rate of that Measure will be compared to the Benchmark and points will be rewarded depending on which Decile Range the percentage lands in.
- Each Measure is worth 3 -10 Points and CMS will utilize the 6 Highest Scoring Measures (if one of them includes the required Outcome Measure) to determine their Quality Measures Score.
- Bonus points can be earned by Reporting additional Outcome Measures (2 points each) or additional High-Priority Measures (1 point each) up to a Maximum of 6 points for this Bonus.
- The Maximum points that can be scored for the Quality Category is 60 points which will go towards the final MIPS Score.
- \*PQRS Benchmark information available via the QPP website (https://qpp.cms.gov/docs/QPP\_Quality\_Benchmarks\_Overview.zip).

#### b. Improvement Measures

- Individual Providers and Groups less than 15 Providers must submit the following Improvement Measures:
  - 1 high Improvement Measure

or

- 2 medium Improvement Measures
- Groups with 15 or more Providers must submit the following Improvement Measures:
  - 2 high Improvement Measures

or

•1 high and 2 medium Improvement Measures

or

• 4 medium improvement Measures





#### c. Advancing Care Information

- EPs must meet the following:
  - The required measures for meeting the Base and Performance Scores are as follows (select up to 7 measures):
    - 1) e-Prescribing (required) ----- At least 1
    - 2) Health Information Exchange (required) ----- Up to 20%
    - 3) Provide Patient Access (required) ----- Up to 20%
    - 4) Security Risk Analysis (required) ----- NA
    - 5) Immunization Registry Reporting----- 0 or 10%
    - 6) Medication Reconciliation------ Up to 10%
    - 7) Patient-Specific Education------ Up to 10%
    - 8) Secure Messaging------ Up to 10%
    - 9) View, Download, or Transmit (VDT)----- Up to 10%
  - A bonus score of 10% can be earned by reporting Improvement Activities that are tied to Advancing Care Information Measures.
- Flexibility
  - CMS will automatically reweight the Advancing Care Information performance category to zero for Hospital based MIPS clinicians, clinicians with lack of Face to-Face Patient Interaction, NP, PA, CRNAs and CNS.

or

- If clinician faces a significant hardship and is unable to report advancing care information measures, they can apply to have their performance category score weighted to zero.
- 3. Submit a Full Year (Avoid penalty, and earn a potential incentive)
  - a. Follows the same requirements of 90 days, but data must be submitted for the entire year.

#### REPORTING METHOD(S) OVERVIEW (CARECLOUD PREFERRED)

#### 1. Quality Measures

- Claims (via CareCloud System)
  - Reporting via claims is not accepted if reporting as a group.
- Qualified Registry (via 3rd Party Vendor)
- 2. Improvement Activity
  - Attestation
- 3. Advanced Care Information
  - Attestation





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