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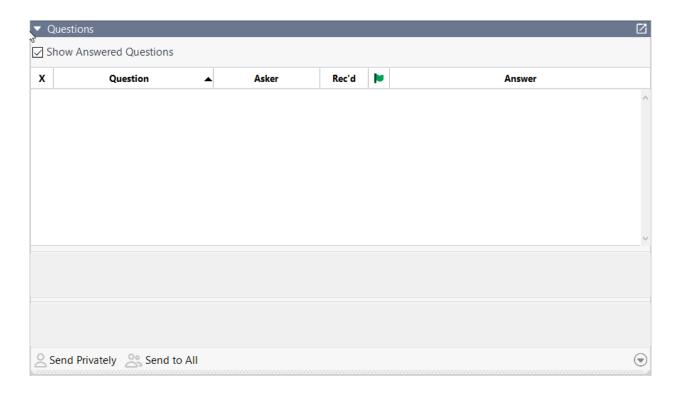


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2022 Payment Adjustments

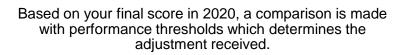
2022 MIPS Payment Year

- Your 2020 final score determines the 2022 payment adjustment received.
- The type of payment adjustments include positive, neutral and negative.

Type of Payment Adjustment	Impact to Payments in 2022 Each covered professional service you furnish in 2022 is reimbursed more than 100% – increase to paid amount				
Positive					
Neutral	Each covered professional service you furnish in 2022 is reimbursed 100% – no increase or decrease to paid amount				
Negative	Each covered professional service you furnish in 2022 is reimbursed less than 100% – decrease to paid amount				



Determining your Payment Adjustment



The exceptional performance threshold for the 2022 MIPS payment year is 85 points or higher. If your final score reflects 85 points or above, the additional payment adjustment will be received.

2022

2020 2022

> The performance threshold for the 2022 MIPS payment year is 45 points. If you received a final score of 45 points or above, you have avoided a negative payment adjustment.



How 2020 MIPS Scores Relate to 2022 Payment Adjustments

Final Score Points	MIPS Payment Adjustment					
0.00 – 11.25 points 11.26 – 44.99	Negative (-) MIPS payment adjustment of -9% Negative (-) MIPS payment adjustment, between 0% and -9%, on a					
points	linear sliding scale					
45.00 points (Performance threshold=45.00 points)	Neutral MIPS payment adjustment (0%)					
45.01 – 84.99 points	 Positive (+) MIPS payment adjustment, greater than 0%, on a linear sliding scale and multiplied by a scaling factor to preserve budget neutrality Not eligible for an additional adjustment for exceptional performance 					
85.00 – 100.00 points (Additional performance threshold=85.00 points)	 Positive (+) MIPS payment adjustment, greater than 0%, on a linear sliding scale and multiplied by a scaling factor to preserve budget neutrality AND Additional positive (+) adjustment for exceptional performance on a linear sliding scale and multiplied by a scaling factor to proportionately distribute funds 					

Why is my adjustment so small?

CMS notes that the "modest" adjustments given were due to:

- Small number of negative payment adjustments due to the flexibilities from Covid-19 response
- High participation rates
- Large % of final scores above the low 45-point threshold

Due to the successful participation of many more Providers, the distribution of the positive payment adjustment was affected

Additionally, those that did not submit data received the neutral payment adjustment instead of the maximum negative adjustment which also impacted your overall adjustment

Scaling Factor & Budget Neutrality????

MIPS is a budget neutral program which means that negative adjustments need to be balanced by positive adjustments.

Positive payment adjustment factors can be increased or decreased by an amount called a scaling factor which is a number between 0 & 3.

The exact amount depends on final scores distributed across all providers.

Remittance Advice Document Breakdown

The following will be displayed on the RA:

Positive MIPS Payment Adjustments	CARC ⁷ 144: "Incentive adjustment, e.g., preferred product/service"	RARC ⁸ N807: "Payment adjustment based on the Meritbased Incentive Payment System (MIPS)."	Group Code ⁹ : CO. This group code is used when a contractual agreement between the payer and payee, or a regulatory requirement, resulted in an adjustment.			
Negative MIPS Payment Adjustments	CARC 237: "Legislated/Regulatory Penalty. At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.)"	RARC N807: "Payment adjustment based on the Meritbased Incentive Payment System (MIPS)."	Group Code: CO			



Traditional MIPS

2022 Traditional MIPS Overview

The Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) is one way to participate in the Quality Payment Program (QPP). The program reimburses MIPS eligible clinicians for Part B covered professional services and rewards them for improving the quality of patient care and outcomes.

Performance across four categories that lead to improved quality and value are

evaluated.





2022 Category Weights

The MIPS performance categories have different "weights," and the scores from each of the categories are added together to give you a MIPS final score.





Clinician Types

Physicians (including doctors of medicine, osteopathy, dental surgery, dental medicine, podiatric Osteopathic practitioners Chiropractors Physician assistants Nurse practitioners medicine, and optometry) Certified registered nurse anesthetists Clinical nurse specialists Physical therapists Occupational therapists Clinical psychologists Qualified speech-language pathologists Registered dietitians or nutrition professionals Qualified audiologists Clinical social workers Certified nurse midwives

Performance



Provider performance across the MIPS categories, each with a specific weight, will result in a final score of 0 to 100 points.



The final score will determine whether you receive a negative, neutral, or positive payment adjustment.



The payment adjustment is based on performance during the 2022 performance year and applied to payments for covered professional services beginning on January 1, 2024.



2022 Performance Threshold

The performance threshold is set at 75 points.

The additional performance threshold is set at 89 points.

This the last year of the additional performance threshold and the additional MIPS adjustment factors for exceptional performance.



CMS 2022 Final Score Breakdown:

Final Score: Performance Thresholds and Payment Adjustments

Performance Thresholds for 2022*

- · The performance threshold is set at 75 points
 - This is the minimum final score needed to avoid a negative payment adjustment in 2024.
- The additional performance threshold for exceptional performance is set at 89 points
- We'll compare your final score to the performance threshold (and exceptional performance threshold) to determine your payment adjustment

*As required by statute, beginning with performance year 2022, the performance threshold must be either the mean or median of the final scores for all MIPS eligible clinicians for a prior period.



The 2022 performance year/2024 payment year is the FINAL YEAR for the additional adjustment for exceptional performance.

Final Score 2022	Payment Adjustments 2024
>= 89 points	Positive adjustment greater than 0% Eligible for additional payment for exceptional performance
75.01-88.99 points	Positive adjustment greater than 0% Not eligible for additional payment for exceptional performance
75 points	Neutral payment adjustment (0%)
18.76 – 74.99 points	Negative payment adjustment between -9% and 0%
0 – 18.75 points	Negative payment adjustment of -9%

Quality

Quality 30% of the Final Score

- The quality performance category has a 12-month performance period January 1 –December 31, 2022
- Submit data for at least 6 measures including at least one outcome measure & high priority measure.
- There are 200 available quality measures to select from
- 13 quality measures have been removed



New Quality Measures:

ID# 481 Intravesical Bacillus-Calmette Guerin for Non-muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer

ID# 482 Hemodialysis Vascular Access: Practitioner Level Long-term Catheter Rate

ID# 483 Person-Centered Primary Care Measure Patient-Reported Outcome Performance Measure





Quality Measures Removed

- ID#14 Age related macular degeneration: Dilated Macular Exam (Medicare Part B Claims)
- ID# 21 Perioperative Care: Selection of Prophylactic Antibiotic
- ID# 23 Perioperative Care: Venous Thromboembolism VTE Prophylaxis
- ID# 44 Coronary Artery Bypass Graft: Preoperative beta-blocker
- ID# 50 Urinary Incontinence: Plan of care in women aged 65 and older (Medicare Part B Claims)
- ID# 67 Hematology: Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) and Acute Leukemias: Baseline Cytogenetic Testing Performed on Bone Marrow
- ID# 70 Hematology: Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Baseline Flow Cytometry
- ID# 154 Falls: Risk Assessment
- ID# 195 Radiology: Stenosis measurements in carotid imaging
- ID# 225 Radiology: Reminder system for screening mammograms
- ID# 337 Psoriasis: TB prevention
- ID# 342 Pain brought under control within 48 hours
- ID# 429 Pelvic Organ Prolapse: Preoperative Screening for uterine malignancy
- ID# 434 Proportion of patient sustaining a ureter injury at time of repair
- ID# 444 Medication Management for people with Asthma



New Administrative Claims Measure

Clinician and Clinician Group Risk-standardized Hospital Admission Rates for Patients with Multiple Chronic Conditions

- 18-case minimum
- 1-year performance period
- Applies to MIPS eligible groups with at least 16 clinicians



Scoring

New measures introduced into the program will have a 7-point scoring floor for the first performance period and a 5point scoring floor in the second performance period.

Measures with a benchmark remain the same in 2022

Measures without a benchmark will continue to earn 3 points

Measures that don't meet case minimum will earn 3 points

Beginning in 2022, there are no bonus points for reporting additional outcome and high priority measures, beyond the one required. Additionally, there are no bonus points for measures that meet end-to-end electronic reporting criteria.

Measure Scoring

CMS determines measure achievement points by comparing performance on a measure to a measure benchmark.

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Type I	Measure Type		Decile 3	Decile 4	Decile 5	Decile 6 C	ecile 7 De	cile 8 D	ecile 9	Decile 10
MIPS CQM	Intermediate Outcome	γ	20.00 - 29.99	30.00 - 39.9	99 40.00 - 49.99	50.00 - 59.99 60.	00 - 69.99 70.00) - 79.99 80.0	0 - 89.99	>= 90.00
eCQM	Intermediate Outcome	Y	51.06 - 56.30	56.31 - 60.1	13 60.14 - 63.63	63,64 - 67,04 67.	05 - 70.64 70.68	j - 74.94 74.9	5 - 80.83	>= 80.84
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Scoring against a benchmark means:

- A benchmark is available.
- Has at least 20 cases.
- Meets the data completeness requirement standard, which is 70%.

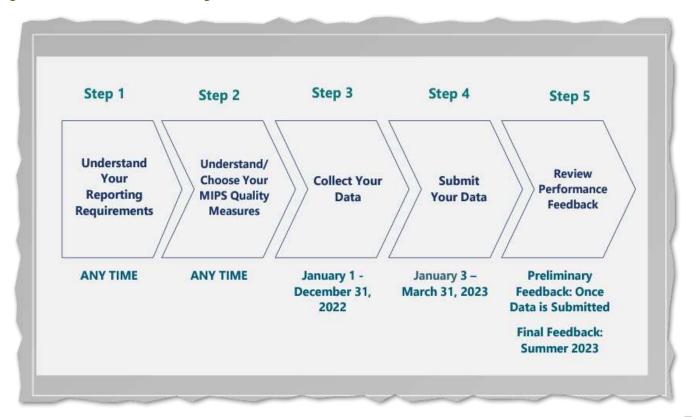
Data Completeness

Refers to the volume of performance data reported for the eligible population/denominator as outlined in the measure's specification.

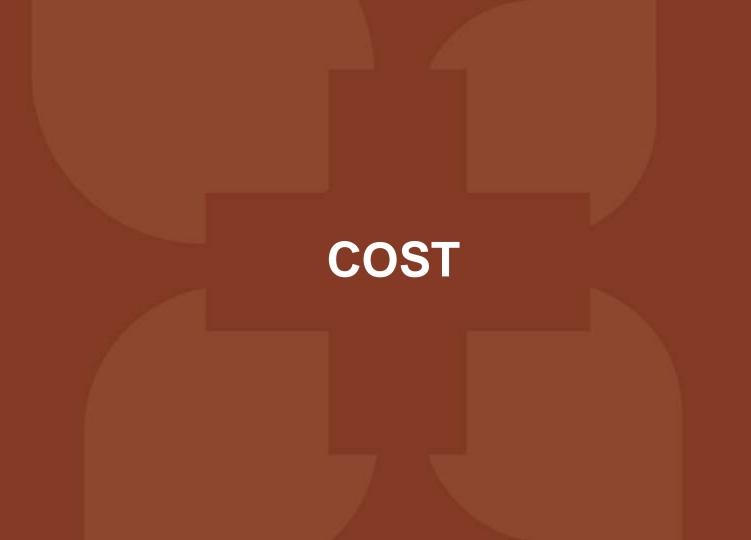
Must report performance met or not met, or denominator exceptions for at least 70% of the denominator eligible encounters.

- MIPS CQM, eCQM, and QCDR measure specifications include all encounters, regardless of payer.
- Only Medicare Part B claims measure specifications are limited to Medicare Part B encounters.

Quality Summary







2022 Updates

CMS added 5 new episode-based cost measures

2 procedural measures:

Melanoma Resection

Colon & Rectal Resection

1 acute inpatient measure:

Sepsis

2 chronic condition measures:

Diabetes

Asthma/COPD

Improvement Activities

Updates for 2022



7 new activities added



3 of these new activities focus on promoting health equity



Modifications to 15 activities



Removal of 6 activities



New Activities:

High Priority:

- Create and Implement and Anti-Racism Plan
- Promoting Clinician Well Being

Medium Weight:

- Implement Food Insecurity and Nutrition Risk Identification and Treatment Protocols
- Implementation of Trauma Informed Care
- Implementation of a Personal Protective Equipment Plan
- Implementation of a Laboratory Preparedness Plan
- Application of CDC's Training for Healthcare Providers on Lyme Disease



Measures Removed

BE 13: Regularly assess the patient experience of care through surveys, advisory councils and/or other mechanisms

PSPA 11: Participation in CAHPS or other supplemental questionnaire

BE 17: Use of tools to assist patient self-management

BE 18: Provide peer led support for self-management

BE 20: Implementation of condition-specific chronic disease selfmanagement support programs

BE 21: Improved practices that disseminate appropriate self-management materials



Promoting Interoperability

Promoting Interoperability 25% of Final Score

New in 2022:

CMS updated automatic reweighting for the Promoting Interoperability performance category. Clinical social workers and small practices (less than 15 providers) now qualify for automatic reweighting and don't have to submit a Promoting Interoperability Hardship Exception application.

CMS added a **new required**, but unscored attestation measure, the High Priority Practices Guide of the Safety Assurance Factors for EHR Resilience (SAFER) Guides measure.



Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange

CMS is requiring eligible clinicians to report 2 measures (unless an exclusion can be claimed):

- Immunization Registry Reporting
- Electronic Case Reporting

Beginning in 2022, the following measures are optional and allow you to earn 5 bonus points if submitted:

- Public Health Registry Reporting measure
- Clinical Data Registry Reporting measure
- Syndromic Surveillance Reporting measure

Self Attestation Measures

New Required Measure for 2022



Safety Assurance Factors for EHR: Conduct an annual selfassessment using the High Priority Practices Guide at any point during the calendar year in which the performance period occurs.



The intent of the safer guides is to identify practices that lead to the safety and safe use of the electronic health record (EHR)



3 Groups Contain 9 Different Guides



Foundational Guides:



High Priority Practices & Organizational Responsibilities



Infrastructure Guides:



Contingency Planning, System Configuration & System Interfaces



Clinical Process Guides:



Patient Identification, Computerized Provider Order Entry with Decision Support, Test Results Reporting and Follow-Up & Clinician Communication



Safer Guides Information

- SAFER Guides begins with a Checklist of recommended practices.
- SAFER Guides provide fillable circles that can be used to indicate the extent to which each recommended practice has been implemented.
- After Checklist is completed, a Practice Worksheet gives rationale and examples of how to implement each recommended practice as well as likely sources of input into assessment of each practice, and fillable fields to record team members and follow-up action.



ONC Checklist Breakdown

The Checklist is structured as a quick way to enter and print your self-assessment. Your selections on the checklist will automatically update the related section of the corresponding Recommended Practice Worksheet.







Self Assessment Section

>Table of Contents	> About the Checklist	>Team Worksheet	>About the Practice Worksheets	>Practice Worksheets
			evaluate potential health IT-related particular healthcare organization.	patient safety risks
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Recommended Practices Section

Each Recommended Practice Worksheet provides guidance on implementing a specific Recommended Practice, and allows you to enter and print information about your self-assessment.





Additional Self Attestation Measures

New in 2022 single statement: Prevention of Information Blocking Attestation:

"I attest to CMS that I - did not knowingly and willfully take action (such as to disable functionality) to limit or restrict the compatibility or interoperability of certified EHR technology."

Security Risk Analysis:

Conduct or review a security risk analysis in accordance with the requirements including addressing the security (to include encryption) of ePHI data created or maintained by certified electronic health record technology (CEHRT), implement security updates as necessary, and correct identified security deficiencies as part of the MIPS eligible clinician's risk management process.

Additional requirements needed to earn a score greater than 0 in the category:

- Use 2015 Edition CEHRT, 2015 Edition Cures Update CEHRT, or a combination of both
- Submit data for a continuous 90-day performance period
- Attest to work in good faith with ONC, if you get a request from ONC to assist in its review of potential non-conformities in health information technology
- Meet all required measures or qualify and claim exclusions



MVP Program



MIPS Value Pathways = MVP Program



Program aims to align and connect measures and activities across the MIPS performance categories of quality, cost, and improvement activities for different specialties or conditions.



Leverages Promoting Interoperability measures and a set of administrative claims-based quality measures that focus on population health/public health priorities and reduce reporting.



Goal is to achieve better patient health outcomes and lower costs.



MVP Program Start

CMS begins phasing in the program for 2023 participation

2023

CMS notes that the goal is to transition away from traditional MIPS reporting shutting down after the 2027 performance year and is replacing with either MVP or the APP pathways

2027

2023, 2024 & 2025

Optional participation for years 2023, 2024 & 2025



Rheumatology

Stroke Care & Prevention

Heart Disease

Chronic Disease Management

Emergency Medicine

Lower Extremity Joint Repair

Anesthesia



Category Breakdown

There are 5 categories included in the MVP program.

The measures in the first three categories would be specific to your pathway and based on a list provided by CMS related to your MVP.

MVP Layer

- 1. Quality
- 2. Improvement Activities
- 3. Cost

The foundational layer contains your population health and promoting interoperability measures. These measure lists are the same regardless of which MVP you've chosen.

Foundational Layer

- 4. Population Health
- 5. Promoting Interoperability



MVP Reporting Requirements

MVP Layer

Quality

- Submit 4 quality measures and note one selected measure must be an outcome measure
 Improvement Activities
- Select and submit 2 medium-weight or 1 high-weight improvement activity

Cost

CMS will calculate performance using administrative claims data

Foundational Layer

Population Health

Select and submit 1 measure, this performance result will be added to the quality score

Promoting Interoperability

- Submit the 4-5 required measures
- Submit your EHR's CEHRT ID
- Conduct a security risk analysis on your 2015 Edition CEHRT functionality annually
- Attest to the Prevention of Information Blocking and ONC direct review.
- Attest to the Safety Assurance Factors for EHR Resilience Guides (SAFER)



MVP Heart Disease Breakdown Example



(!!) Q441: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD) All or

None Outcome Measure (Optimal Control) (MIPS CQMs Specifications)

Quality	Improvement Activities	Cost
(*) Q005: Heart Failure (HF): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or Angiotensin Receptor-Neprilysin Inhibitor (ARNI) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD) (eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications) (*) Q007: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy – Prior Myocardial Infarction (MI) or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF < 40%) (eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications)	IA_BE_12: Use evidence-based decision aids to support shared decision-making (Medium) IA_BE_15: Engagement of patients, family and caregivers in developing a plan of care (Medium) IA_BE_24: Financial Navigation Program (Medium) IA_BE_25: Drug Cost Transparency (High)	Elective Outpatient Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI) ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) with PCI Total Per Capita Cost (TPCC)
(*) Q008: Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD) (eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications)	(~) IA_CC_9: Implementation of practices/processes for developing regular individual care plans (Medium)	
(!) Q047: Advance Care Plan (Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications)	(*)(~) IA_CC_14: Practice improvements that engage community resources to support patient health goals (High)	
(*) Q128: Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan (Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications)	IA_EPA_4: Additional improvements in access as a result of QIN/QIO TA (Medium)	
(*)(!) Q238: Use of High-Risk Medications in Older Adults	IA_PM_14: Implementation of methodologies for improvements in longitudinal care management for high risk patients	
eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications)	(Medium)	
(!) Q243: Cardiac Rehabilitation Patient Referral from an Outpatient Setting MIPS CQMs Specifications)	IA_PSPA_4: Administration of the AHRQ Survey of Patient Safety Culture (Medium)	

assessment and improvements

IA_PSPA_30: PCI Bleeding Campaign

(Medium)

(High)

(~) IA_PSPA_7: Use of QCDR data for ongoing practice



Foundational Layer

Population Health Measures

(!!) Q479: Hospital-Wide, 30-Day, All-Cause Unplanned Readmission (HWR) Rate for the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Groups (Administrative Claims)

(*)(!!) TBD: Clinician and Clinician Group Risk-Standardized Hospital Admission Rates for Patients with Multiple Chronic Conditions (Administrative Claims)

Promoting Interoperability

- Prevention of Information Blocking
- e-Prescribing
- Query of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) (Optional)
- Provide Patients Electronic Access to Their Health Information
- Support Electronic Referral Loops By Sending Health Information
- Support Electronic Referral Loops By Receiving and Reconciling Health Information
- Health Information Exchange (HIE) Bi-Directional Exchange
- Immunization Registry Reporting
- Syndromic Surveillance Reporting
- Electronic Case Reporting
- Public Health Registry Reporting
- Clinical Data Registry Reporting
- Security Risk Analysis
- (^) Safety Assurance Factors for EHR Resilience Guide (SAFER Guide)



Time to Prepare for 2023



CMS is providing a full year to choose your pathway, review your selected pathway's reporting requirements, update your internal workflows and to prepare your health IT reporting systems.



For the 2023 and 2024 performance reporting years, the seven pathways would be open to individual providers, single & multi-specialty group practices, subgroups, and alternative payment model entities.



In 2025, CMS would require multi-specialty group practices to break down into subgroups to participate in one of the seven pathways.



2022 Preparation Year



Begin to familiarize yourself with the MVPs program & category requirements



Review & decide if one of the seven MVPs is right for you



Review and update your internal workflows to capture the data



If needed, update your health IT systems to report the quality measure on your pathway

Questions:



References & Resources



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Quality Payment Program resource library: https://qpp.cms.gov/resources/resource-library

MIPS Value Pathways (MVP): https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/mips-value-pathways

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CMS: www.cms.gov

