



MIPS Year 4 (2020) Overview

MIPS Eligible Clinician Types:

Physicians (MD, DO, Dental Surgeons, Dentist, Podiatrist, Optometrist, and Chiropractors), PA, NP, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Certified RN Anesthetist, Clinical Psychologist, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, and Clinical Social Workers.

Exemptions:

- 1st year (2020) participating in Medicare
- Participants in Medicare Advantage Qualifying Payment Arrangement Incentive (MAQI)
- Participants (QP Status) in eligible APMs who qualify for the bonus payment
- Participants who fall below the low volume threshold: MUST meet all 3 criteria
 - Bills less than \$90,000 of allowed charges for covered services under PFS
 - Provides care to fewer than 200 Medicare beneficiaries in one year
 - Provides less than 200 covered services under the PFS

Opt-In Policy:

Clinicians could opt-in or voluntarily report if they meet 1 or 2 of the low volume threshold criteria thru an election process. Individual EC or group would sign in to qpp.com.gov and select to opt-in.

Once an election has been made, the EC or group can NOT change it.

- EC or groups who opt-in are subject to MIPS payment adjustment.
- EC or groups who elect to voluntarily report will not be subject to MIPS payment adjustments.

Reporting Options:

- Individual – NPI and TIN where they reassign benefits
- Group – 2 or more clinicians NPIs who have reassigned their billing rights to a single TIN

Group and Virtual Groups will be assessed as a group across all 4 MIPS performance categories.

Submission Types:

Individual Reporting

- Quality: Direct, Log-in and Upload, Medicare Part B Claims (small practices only)
- Cost: No data submission required
- IA and ACI: Direct, Log-in and Upload, Log-in and Attest

Group Reporting (including Virtual Groups)

- Quality: Direct, Log-in and Upload, CMS Web Interface (groups of 25 or more), Medicare Part B Claims (small practices only)
- Cost: No data submission required
- IA and ACI: Direct, Log-in and Upload, Log-in and Attest

Performance Period:

Quality: 12 Months

Cost: 12 Months

IA: Minimum of 90 consecutive days up to a full calendar year

ACI: Minimum of 90 consecutive days up to a full calendar year

Performance Category Weight towards Final Score-100 possible points

Quality = 45%

Cost = 15%

IA = 15%

PI = 25%

MIPS Threshold and Payment Adjustments (NEW for 2020)

MIPS Threshold: 45 Points

Exceptional Performance Threshold: 85 points

Payment Adjustment: Positive, Negative or Neutral at 9% applied to payment year 2022

Bonus Points

Complex Patient Care Bonus

- 1 to 5 Bonus Points
- Adjustment will be based off of the percentage of dual-eligible beneficiaries and the HCC risk score
- Need to participate in 1 performance category to receive bonus points

Data Submission Deadline

March 31, 2021