



## MIPS Year 4 (2020) Improvement Activity Performance Category

### **Requirements:**

- Select activities that will yield a total of 40 points to receive full credit for the category
- Performance period is a minimum of 90 days

### **Requirement for IA Credit for Groups: (NEW for 2020)**

Group or virtual group can attest to an improvement activity when at least 50% of the clinicians in the group perform the same activity during any continuous 90-day period within the same performance period.

### **Scoring:**

- 15% of Final Score
- **Small Practice/Rural Clinics/HPSA/Non-Patient Facing Clinicians**
  - Medium Weighted Activities = 20 points
  - High Weighted Activities = 40 points
- **Large Group Practice**
  - Medium Weighted Activities = 10 points
  - High Weighted Activities = 20 points
- **Patient Center Medical Home (PCMH)**
  - EC or group must attest to their PCMH status to receive full credit
- **Alternative Payment Models (APM)**
  - EC or group must attest to their APM status to receive 1/2 credit but can report additional activities to earn the maximum of 40 points.

### **Submission Type:**

- Select ONE submission type to report your Improvement Activities
- **Individual and Group:** Direct, Log-in and Upload, Log-in and Attest
- Attest "YES" for the activities that were carried out during the performance period

## **Definitions**

**Rural Area:** Means a ZIP code designated as rural by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) using the most recent FORHP Eligible ZIP Code file available.

**Patient-Centered Medical Home:** To be eligible for PCMH designation, the practice must meet one of the following criteria:

- The practice has received accreditation from an accreditation organization that is nationally recognized.
- The practice is participating in a Medicaid Medical Home Model or Medical Home Model.
- The practice is a comparable specialty practice that has received recognition through a specialty recognition program offered through a nationally recognized accreditation organization; OR
- The practice has received accreditation from other certifying bodies that have certified a large number of medical organizations and meet national guidelines, as determined by the Secretary. The Secretary must determine that these certifying bodies must have 500 or more certified member practices and require practices to include the following: (1) Have a personal physician/clinician in a team-based practice. (2) Have a whole-person orientation. (3) Provide coordination or integrated care. (4) Focus on quality and safety. (5) Provide enhanced access

## **NOTE: Inventory Changes**

105 activities available for 2020

2 new activities have been added to the 2020 inventory

7 (2019) activities have been modified for 2020

15 activities have been removed from the 2019 listing and are no longer available for 2020