

# MACRA Readiness Assessment



This checklist provides actions you can take today to help prepare your practice for the Merit-Based Payment System (MIPS). MIPS is one of two payment tracks created under the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015. MIPS consolidates three existing Medicare quality programs into one new program. MIPS will incorporate elements from meaningful use (MU), the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS), and the Value-Based Payment Modifier (VBPM). MACRA begins in 2019, and 2017 will be the initial performance year for MIPS. You can begin preparing for MIPS by assessing your performance under CMS' current quality programs.

## Attest to Meaningful Use

### I attested to Meaningful Use for 2015.

• *Next Steps:*

- Review Modified Stage 2 requirements for 2016.
- Incorporate data collection into workflows.
- Consider preparing for Stage 3 in 2017.

### I did not attest to Meaningful Use for 2015.

• *Next Steps:*

- Adopt Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT).
- Review Modified Stage 2 requirements for 2016.
- Incorporate data collection into workflows.
- Consider preparing for Stage 3 in 2017.

## Report to the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS)

### My practice successfully reported as a group for 2015.

### I successfully reported as an individual for 2015.

- I reported individual measures.
- I reported a measures group.

### I have reviewed the PCMH/ACO Primary Care Core Measure Set.

- Of the measures I reported, \_\_\_\_ are included in the PCMH/ACO Primary Care Core Measure Set.

• *Next Steps:*

- Select reporting option for 2016
- Consider using measures from the PCMH/ACO Primary Care Core Measure Set in 2016.
- Monitor measure performance throughout the performance year as part of your quality improvement (QI) plan

### I did not report to PQRS for 2015.

• *Next Steps:*

- Select reporting option for 2016.
- Review measure specifications and select measures to report.
- Consider using measures from the PCMH/ACO Primary Care Core Measure Set.
- Consider clinical conditions usually treated, types of care typically provided, setting where care is provided, QI goals for 2016, and other quality reporting programs already in use (ex. MU).
- Incorporate data collection into workflows.
- Monitor measure performance throughout the year as part of your QI plan.

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## Review and Quality Resource Use Reports (QRURs)

- I reviewed my 2014 mid-year and 2014 annual QRUR and am aware of how my practice fared under the Value-Based Payment Modifier (VBPM).
- I have reviewed my Supplemental QRUR.
- I have developed a QI plan and incorporated the information provided from my QRUR and Supplemental QRUR into my QI plan.

- *Next Steps:*

- Review 2015 mid-year and 2015 annual QRUR and Supplemental QRUR.
- Incorporate information provided into your QI plan.

- I have obtained my QRUR and/or Supplemental QRUR, but do not currently utilize the information provided.

- *Next steps:*

- Obtain Supplemental QRUR if not previously downloaded.
- Review QRUR reports for accuracy.
- Develop QI plan.
- Use QRUR and Supplemental QRUR to identify opportunities for improvement and incorporate into QI plan.

- I have not obtained my QRUR and Supplemental QRUR and/or am unaware of how my practice fared under the VBPM.

- *Next steps:*

- Obtain Enterprise Identity Management (EIDM) system account.
- Download QRUR and Supplemental QRUR and review data for accuracy.
- Identify opportunities for improvement.
- Develop QI plan and incorporate data from QRUR and Supplemental QRUR into QI plan.

## Understand the implications of each reporting option

### Submit Something

- If you submit a minimum amount of 2017 data to Medicare, you can avoid a downward payment adjustment.

### Submit a Partial Year

- If you submit 90 days of 2017 data to Medicare, you may earn a neutral or small positive payment adjustment.

### Submit a Full Year

- If you submit a full year of 2017 data to Medicare, you may earn a moderate positive payment adjustment.

### Don't Participate

- If you don't send in any 2017 data, then you will receive a negative 4% payment adjustment