



QPP Resource Center: MACRA Minute

January 2020



Now Open: 2019 Data Submission Window

ECs can now submit and/or update 2019 performance year data until the submission window closes on March 31, 2020 at 7 p.m., CT. To submit data, sign into the [QPP Portal](#) with your HARP credentials.

Please Note:

There is no **submit** button to select after submitting your data. Make sure to print each category submission screen and the **overview** screen to ensure you have a record of all data submitted.

If you have questions, please reference the [2019 Data Submission FAQs](#), or reach out to the Telligen team assistance. If you need help enrolling with HARP, please refer to the QPP Access User Guide.

Reminder: Check Your MIPS Eligibility Status

The [QPP Participation Status Tool](#) is available for ECs to:

1. Confirm their final 2019 MIPS eligibility status
2. View the third snapshot of data from APM entities

3. View preliminary eligibility for 2020

For More Information:

- Visit the [MIPS participation page](#) on the QPP website
- View the [2019 QPP Participation Infographic](#)
- Reference the 2019 MIPS participation & eligibility [Fact Sheet](#), [User Guide](#), &/or [Quick Start Guide](#)
- To learn how CMS determines QP & APM participation status for each snapshot, reference the 2019 QP Methodology Resources

Telligen Webinar: QPP 2020 PY Changes

Are you looking for more information about changes to QPP MIPS for the 2020 performance year? Watch our new presentation summarizing 2020 changes and tips on how to prepare for the year.

Webinar Recording: [A Closer Look at Changes for 2020 for QPP MIPS](#)

Register Now: January LAN Webinar

MIPS Q&A Town Hall for Solo and Small Group Practices

During this webinar, panelists will identify PY 2020 changes and answer questions (we encourage ECs to submit questions when registering for the event).

- [Thursday, January 23, 2020, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. CST](#)
- [Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. CST](#)

New Resources: Available in the QPP Library

The following resources were updated or added in December:

- [2019 Data Submission FAQs](#)
- [2020 Eligibility and Participation Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 Improvement Activities Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 Quality Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 Promoting Interoperability Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 Part B Claims Reporting Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 MIPS Quick Start Guide](#)
- [2020 and 2019 Comprehensive List of APMs](#)
- [2020 Qualified Registries](#)
- [2020 Qualified QCDRs](#)
- [2020 QCDR Measure Specifications](#)

Quality Measures Tip: New Measures & Activities for 2020

This section of the newsletter takes an in-depth look at new measures and

activities for 2020.

We will start with the new Improvement Activity, **Drug Cost Transparency (IA_BE_25)**. Practices can attest to completion of this activity by providing counseling to patients and/or their caregivers regarding the cost (including out-of-pocket costs) of drugs.

Where appropriate, ECs must research the availability of alternative drugs and explore patient eligibility for financial assistance programs. This must be done for a minimum of 90-days during the 2020 performance year. Being a high weighted activity, *small practices can earn the full 40 points for completion.*

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