

Reading & Evaluating QRUR Reports for MACRA

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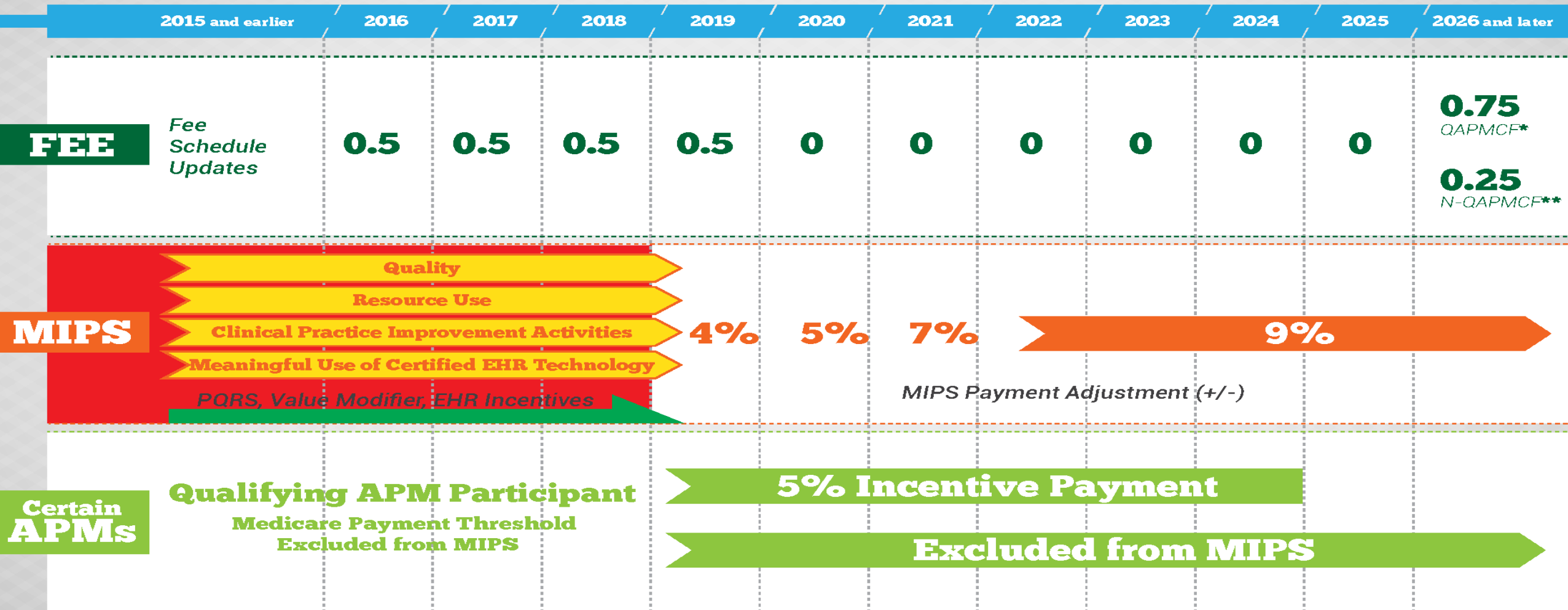
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Learning Objectives

- Read through of 2015 QRUR Report
- Patient Attribution
- Focus on Financial Measures
- Payment Standardization, Risk Adjustment & Specialty Adjustment
- Use of Supplementary Exhibits
- QRUR, Value-Based Modifier & MIPS

Timeline



*Qualifying APM conversion factor

**Non-qualifying APM conversion factor

Existing Programs

	2016	2017	2018
Meaningful Use	-2% Penalty	-3% Penalty	-3% Penalty
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2015 ANNUAL QUALITY AND RESOURCE USE REPORT AND THE 2017 VALUE-BASED PAYMENT MODIFIER

Sample Medical Practice A

LAST FOUR DIGITS OF YOUR MEDICARE-ENROLLED TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN): 0000

PERFORMANCE PERIOD: 01/01/2015 – 12/31/2015

ABOUT THIS REPORT FROM MEDICARE

The 2015 Annual Quality and Resource Use Report (QRUR) shows how your group or solo practice, as identified by its Medicare-enrolled Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), performed in calendar year 2015 on the quality and cost measures used to calculate the Value-Based Payment Modifier (Value Modifier) for 2017.

In 2017, the Value Modifier will apply to all physicians in groups with two or more eligible professionals and to physicians who are solo practitioners who bill under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. It will not apply to eligible professionals who are not physicians.

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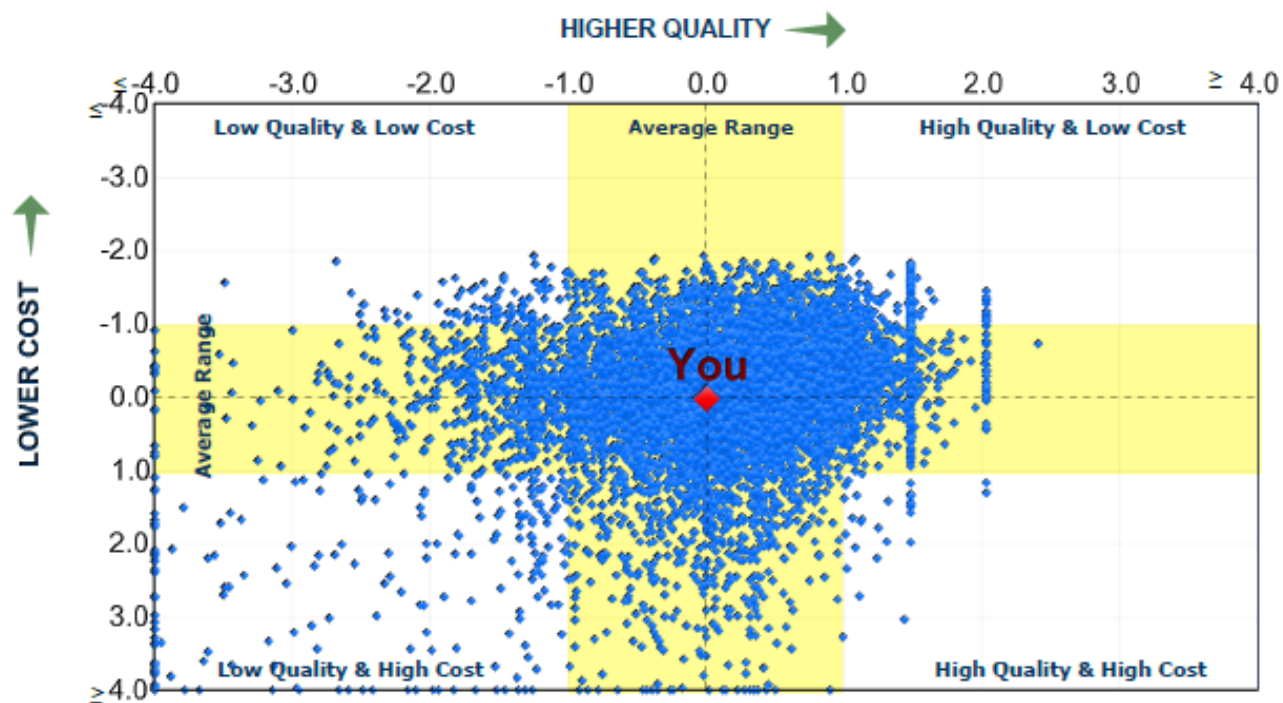
YOUR TIN'S 2017 VALUE MODIFIER

Average Quality, Average Cost = Neutral Adjustment (0.0%)

Your TIN's overall performance was determined to be average on quality measures and average on cost measures.

This means that the Value Modifier applied to payments for items and services under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for physicians billing under your TIN in 2017 will result in a neutral adjustment, meaning no adjustment (0.0%).

The scatter plot below shows how your TIN ("You" diamond) compares to a representative sample of other TINs on the Quality and Cost Composite scores used to calculate the 2017 Value Modifier.



Note: The scatter plot shows performance among a representative sample of all TINs with Quality and Cost Composite Scores reflecting standard deviations from the mean for each Composite Score.

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The Value Modifier calculated for your TIN is shown in the highlighted cell in Exhibit 1. The Value Modifier applied to payments for items and services under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for physicians billing under your TIN in 2017 will result in a neutral adjustment, meaning no adjustment (0.0%).


**Exhibit 1. 2017 Value Modifier Payment Adjustments under Quality-Tiering
(TINs with 10 or More Eligible Professionals)**

	Low Quality	Average Quality	High Quality
Low Cost	0.0%	+2.0 x AF	+4.0 x AF
Average Cost	-2.0%	0.0%	+2.0 x AF
High Cost	-4.0%	-2.0%	0.0%

Note: An adjustment factor (AF) derived from actuarial estimates of projected billings will determine the precise size of the reward for higher performing TINs in a given year. The AF for the 2017 Value Modifier will be posted at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeedbackProgram/2015-QRUR.html>. If an asterisk (*) appears in the highlighted cell, it indicates that an additional upward adjustment of 1.0 x AF was applied to your TIN for serving a disproportionate share of high-risk beneficiaries.

2017 Value Modifier Results

CY 2015 Performance

	Low Quality	Average Quality	High Quality	
Low Cost	155	2,963	129 	3,247
Average Cost	22,784	542,071	9,084	573,939
High Cost	4,492	11,252	348	16,092
	27,431	556,286	9,561	

+15.5% ^{1x}
+77.4% ^{5x}

291,830 did not report PQRS!

-2 -4%

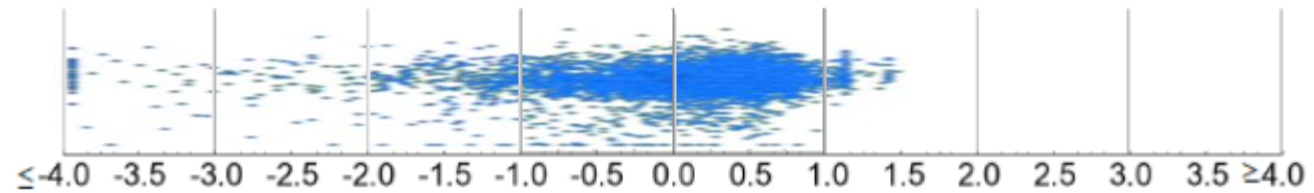
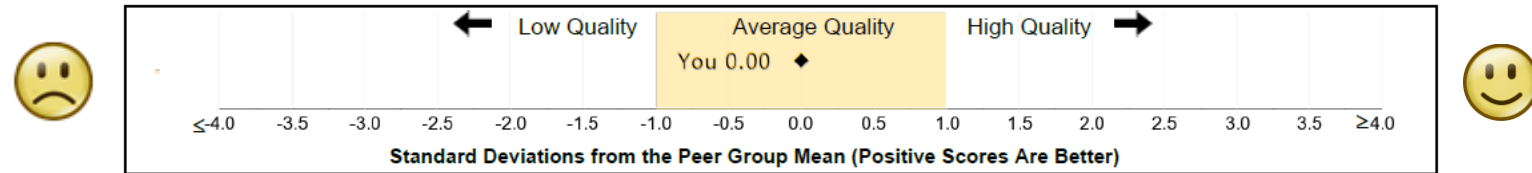
Groups with 10 or more eligible professionals

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PERFORMANCE ON QUALITY MEASURES

Your TIN's Quality Tier: Average

Exhibit 2. Your TIN's Quality Composite Score



Low 4.6 %

Average 94%

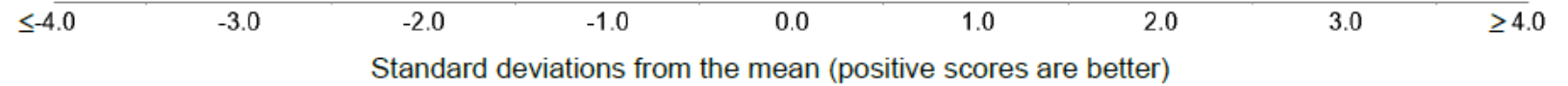
High 1.6%

} Scores

} Rating
≥10 EP

Exhibit 3-ECC. Effective Clinical Care Domain Quality Indicator Performance
Domain Score

You 0.00 ◆



Measure Identification Number(s)	Measure Name	Your TIN				All TINs in Peer Group	
		Number of Eligible Cases	Performance Rate	Standardized Performance Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
1* (GPRO DM-2, CMS122v3)	Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Poor Control	0	0.00%	0.00	No	0.00%	0.00
8 (GPRO HF-6, CMS144v3)	Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)	0	0.00%	0.00	No	0.00%	0.00
112 (GPRO Prev-5, CMS125v3)	Breast Cancer Screening	0	0.00%	0.00	No	0.00%	0.00

B. Communication and Care Coordination Domain CMS-Calculated Quality Outcome Measures

Exhibit 3-CCC-B provides information on the three quality outcome measures calculated from Medicare Part A and Part B claims data.

Performance Category	Measure Identification Number(s)	Measure Name	Number of Eligible Cases	Your TIN			All TINs in Peer Group	
				Performance Rate	Standardized Performance Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Hospitalization Rate per 1,000 Beneficiaries for Ambulatory Care-Sensitive Conditions	CMS-1	Acute Conditions Composite	0	—	—	No	0.00	0.00
	-	Bacterial Pneumonia	0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00
		Urinary Tract Infection	0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00
		Dehydration	0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00
	CMS-2	Chronic Conditions Composite	0	—	—	No	0.00	0.00
	-	Diabetes (composite of 4 indicators)	0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00
		Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) or Asthma	0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00
Heart Failure		0	—	—	—	0.00	0.00	
Hospital Readmission	CMS-3	All-Cause Hospital Readmission	0	—	—	No	0.00%	0.00

Quality Measurement Benchmarks

Measure Number	Measure Name	-1 StDev	Mean	+1 StDev
CMS-3	All-Cause Hospital Readmissions	13.9%	15.3%	16.7%
PQRS 39	Screening / Therapy for Osteoporosis	14.8%	40.2%	76.3%
PQRS 67	MDS & AL: Baseline Cytogenetic Testing	90.5%	97.4%	104%
PQRS 70	CLL: Baseline Flow Cytometry	87.8%	97.3%	107%
PQRS 71	Hormonal Therapy for IC-IIIC HR+ BC	60.9%	87.1%	113%

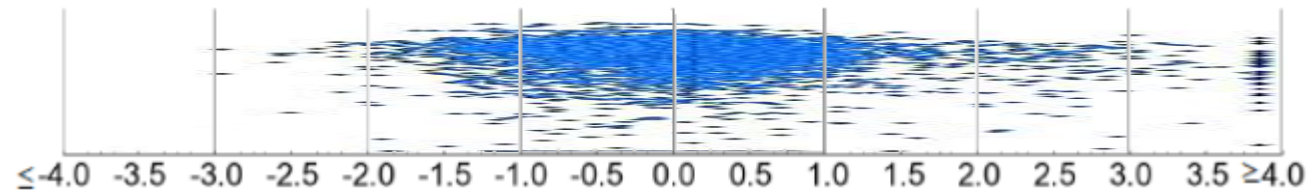
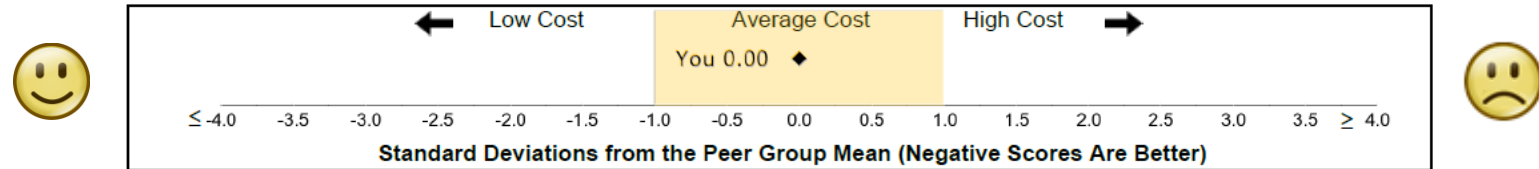
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PERFORMANCE ON COST MEASURES

Your TIN's Cost Tier: Average

Exhibit 4. Your TIN's Cost Composite Score



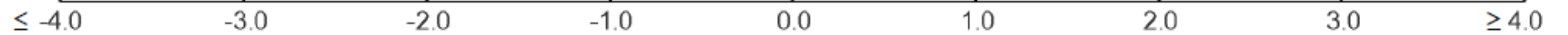
Scores

Rating
≥10 EP

Exhibit 5-AAB. Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries Domain

Domain Score

You 0.00 —◆



Standard deviations from the mean domain score (negative scores are better)

Cost Measure	Your TIN				All TINs in Peer Group	
	Number of Eligible Cases or Episodes	Per Capita or Per Episode Costs	Standardized Cost Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Per Capita Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00
Medicare Spending per Beneficiary	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00

Cost Measure	Number of Eligible Cases or Episodes	Per Capita or Per Episode Costs	Standardized Cost Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Per Capita Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00

Per Capita Costs
Attributed Beneficiaries

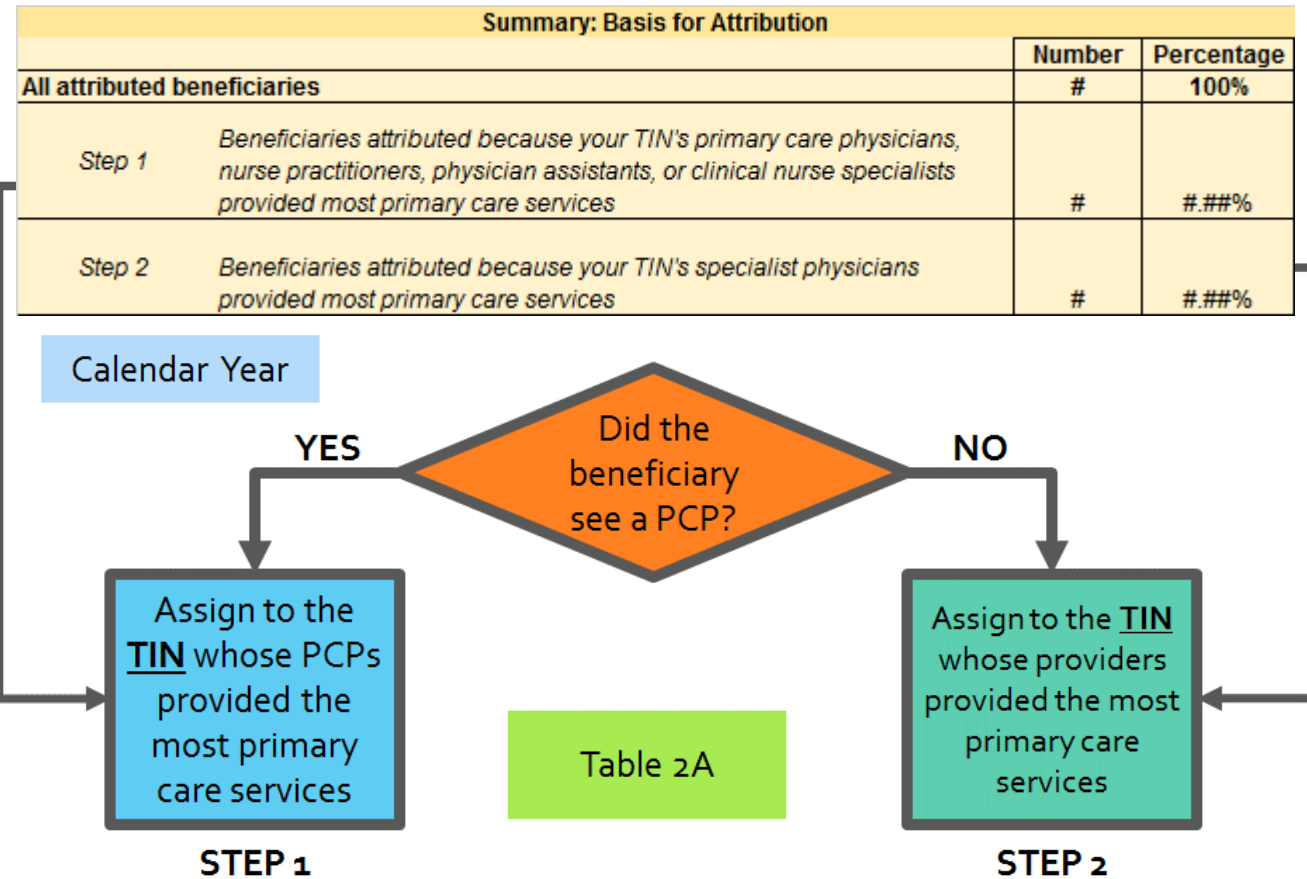
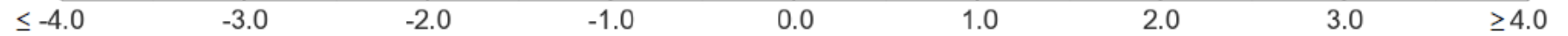


Exhibit 5-BSC. Costs for Beneficiaries with Specific Conditions Domain

Domain Score

You 0.00 —◆



Standard deviations from the mean domain score (negative scores are better)

Cost Measure	Your TIN				All TINs in Peer Group	
	Number of Eligible Cases	Per Capita Costs	Standardized Cost Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Diabetes	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Coronary Artery Disease	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Heart Failure	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00

Payment Standardization

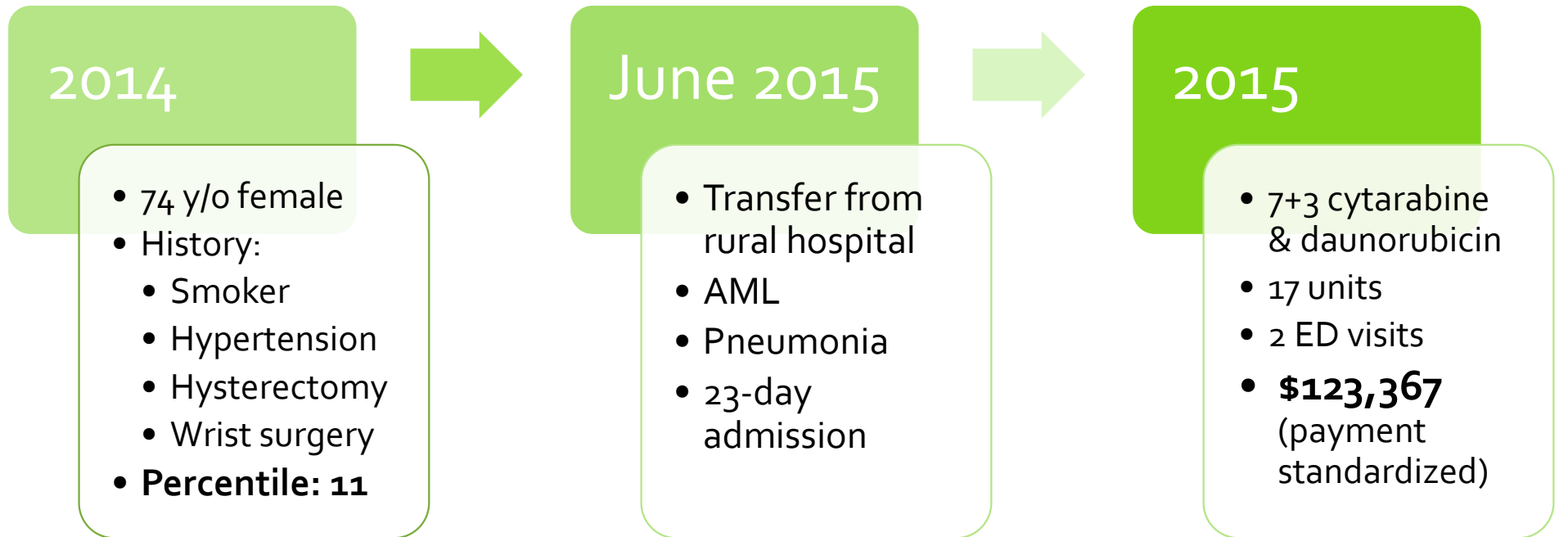
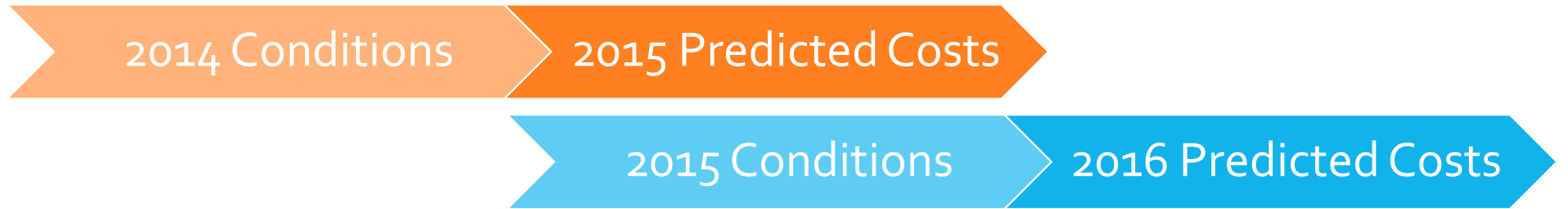
Cost Measure	Number of Eligible Cases or Episodes	Per Capita or Per Episode Costs
Per Capita Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries	0	—

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	Medicare Spending per Beneficiary
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Specific Conditions	Diabetes
	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)
	Heart Failure



- **Payment Standardization:**
 - Eliminates adjustments for GPCI and wage indexes
 - Removes costs for GME, IME, DSH payments
 - Adjusts outlier payments
- **Risk Adjustment:**
 - CMS-HCC (Hierarchical Condition Categories)
 - Prospective Model – 2014 risk factors predict 2015 costs
- **Specialty Adjustment:**
 - Supplementary Exhibit 1

Prospective Risk Adjustment



Prospective
Risk
Adjustment

Medicare Spending per Beneficiary

Cost Measure	Number of Eligible Cases or Episodes	Per Capita or Per Episode Costs	Standardized Cost Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Medicare Spending per Beneficiary	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00

Table 5B

Hospital Episode (Medicare Spending per Beneficiary [MSPB])



Risk
HCC + MS-DRG
AML Patient: 99

Costs

Assign to the TIN w/ the most Part B services during admit

Tables

- 1: Physicians & Non-Physician Professionals
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- 3A: Per Capita Costs, by Category
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- 6: MSSP ACO Admissions and Readmissions
- 7: Individual Performance on PQRS
- Supplemental QRUR: Disease-based Episodes

2015 QRUR

Tables 2 & 3

Table 2A. Beneficiaries Attributed to Your TIN for the Cost Measures (except Medicare Spending per Beneficiary) and Claims-Based Quality Outcome Measures, and the Care that Your TIN and Other TINs Provided

Beneficiaries Attributed to Your TIN							Your TIN's Medicare FFS Claims			Chronic Condition Subgroup †			
HIC	Gender	DOB	Index †	HCC Percentile Ranking †	Died in 2015	Basis for Attribution (Step 1 or Step 2)†	Date of Service on Last Claim	Number of Primary Care Services†	Percent of Total Primary Care Charges†	Diabetes	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	Coronary Artery Disease	Heart Failure
123456789A	M	01/01/1930	111111111	95	No	2	11/17/2014	15	58.80%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
000000000A	M	06/06/1954	333333333	37	No	2	08/28/2014	1	100.00%	No	No	No	No
999999999B	F	01/23/1943	555555555	98	Yes	1	04/01/2014	5	65.27%	No	Yes	No	Yes

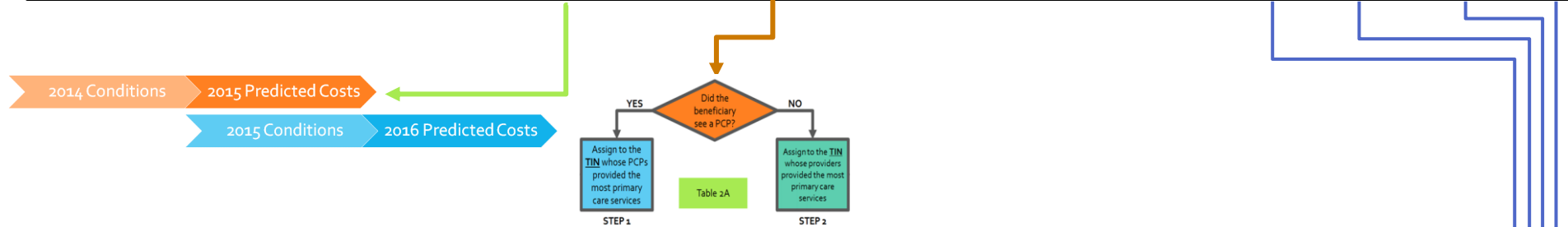


Table 3B. Costs of Services Provided by Your TIN and Other TINs: Beneficiaries Attributed to Your TIN for the Cost Measures (except Medicare Spending per Beneficiary) and Claims-Based Quality Outcome Measures

Beneficiaries Attributed to Your TIN			Included in Per Capita Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries Measure†	Total Payment-Standardized† Medicare FFS Costs
HIC	Gender	DOB		
#	M	04/15/1983	Yes	\$#.##
#	F	08/23/1941	Yes	\$#.##
#	F	08/24/1938	Yes	\$#.##

Exhibit 5-BSC. Costs for Beneficiaries with Specific Conditions Domain

Cost Measure	Your TIN				All TINs in Peer Group	
	Number of Eligible Cases	Per Capita Costs	Standardized Cost Score	Included in Domain Score?	Benchmark (National Mean)	Standard Deviation
Per Capita Costs for Beneficiaries with Diabetes	0	—	—	No	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Table 5

Table 5B. Beneficiaries and Episodes Attributed to Your TIN for the Medicare Spending per Beneficiary (MSPB) Measure

Beneficiaries and Episodes Attributed to Your TIN for the MSPB Measure					Apparent Lead Eligible Professional†			Total Payment-Standardized Episode Cost†	Characteristics of Hospital Admission				
HIC	Gender	DOB	Index†	HCC Percentile Ranking†	NPI	Name	Specialty		Date of Admission	Admitting Hospital (Name, CCN, City, State)			
#	M	12/13/1931	#	#	#	Name A	Orthopedic Surgery	\$#,##	06/24/2015	SAMPLE HOSPITAL A	#	CITY	STATE
#	M	12/13/1931	#	#	#	Name B	Orthopedic Surgery	\$#,##	09/16/2015	SAMPLE HOSPITAL B	#	CITY	STATE
#	M	12/13/1931	#	#	#	Name C	Orthopedic Surgery	\$#,##	05/01/2015	SAMPLE HOSPITAL C	#	CITY	STATE

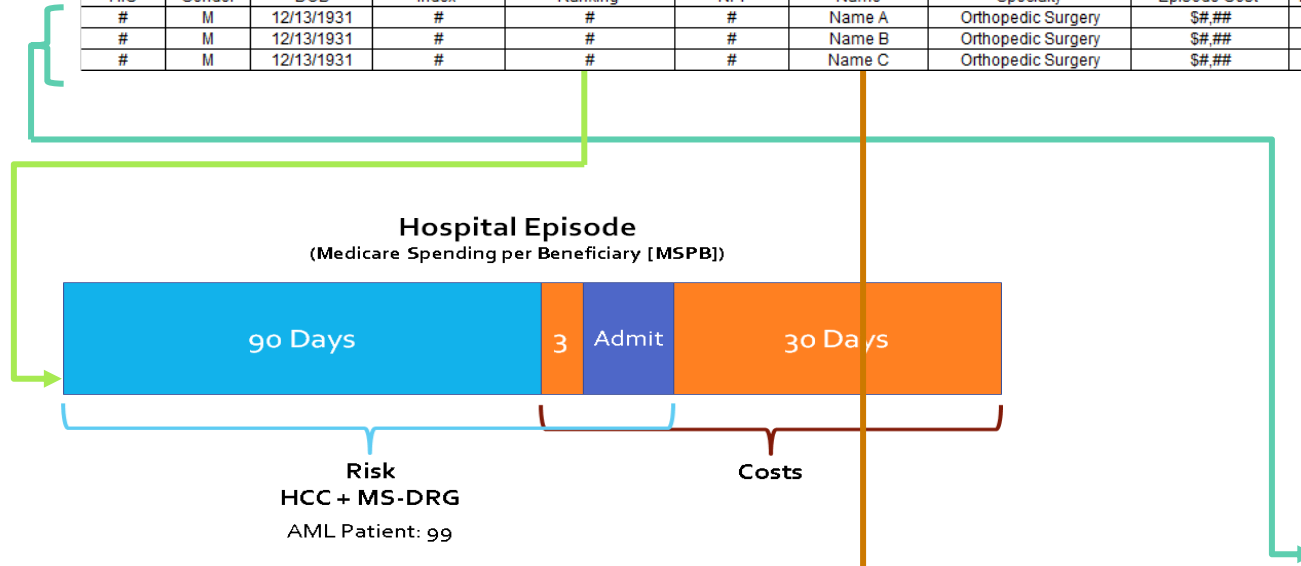


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Medicare Spending per Beneficiary	0	—	—	No

Table 5D. Medicare Spending per Beneficiary (MSPB) Costs, by Episode and Service Category

Beneficiaries and Episodes Attributed to Your TIN for the MSPB Measure					Medicare Spending per Beneficiary by Category of Service, Furnished by All Providers					
HIC	Gender	DOB	Index†	HCC Percentile Ranking†	Total Payment-Standardized Episode Cost†	Acute Inpatient Hospital: Admission†	Acute Inpatient Hospital: Readmission	Eligible Professional Services Billed by Your TIN During Hospitalization†	Eligible Professional Services Billed by Other TINs During Hospitalization†	Other Physician or Supplier Part B Services Billed During Any Hospitalization
#	M	12/13/31	#	#	\$#,##	\$###	\$###	\$###	\$###	\$###
#	M	12/13/31	#	#	\$#,##	\$###	\$###	\$###	\$###	\$###

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Merit-Based Incentive Payment System: Category Weights

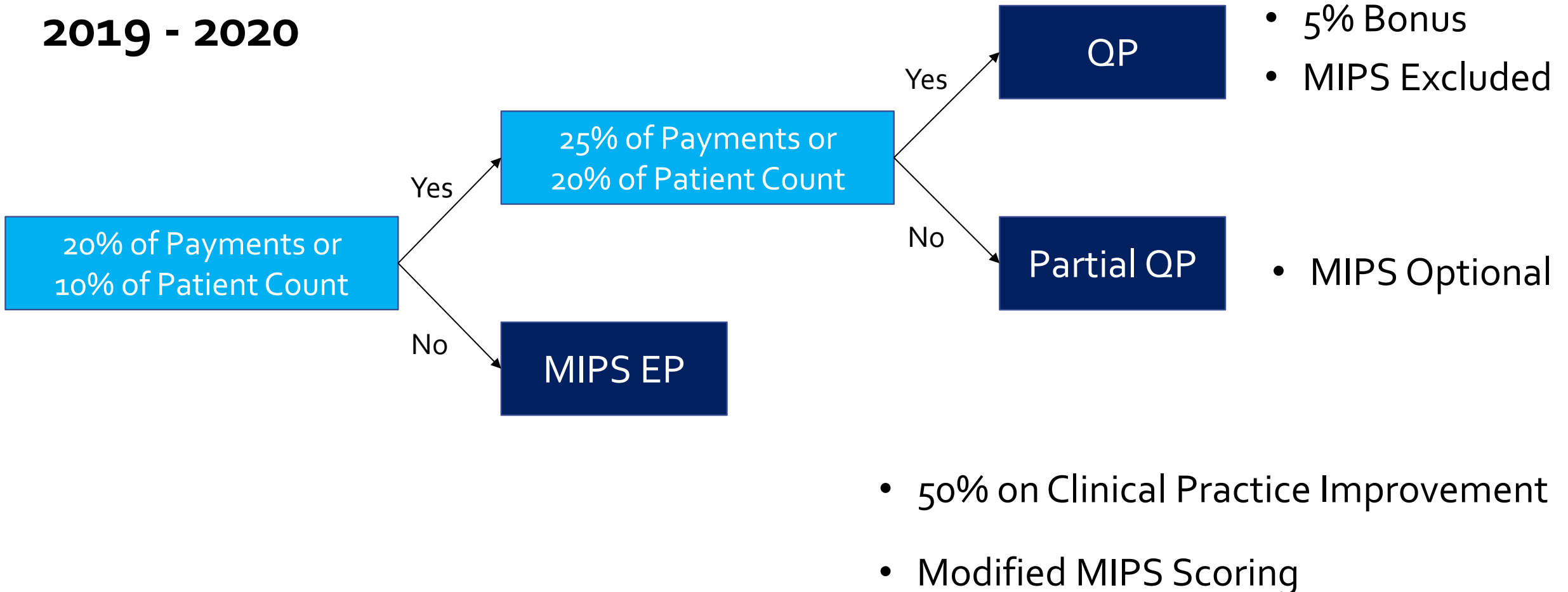
Performance Year	2017	2018	2019+
Payment Year	2019	2020	2021+
Quality	60%	50%	30%
Cost	<u>0%</u>	10%	30%
Advancing Care Information	25%	25%	25%
Improvement Activities	15%	15%	15%

Different weights for those in alternative payment models.

MIPS

APM Participant

2019 - 2020



Strategic Choices

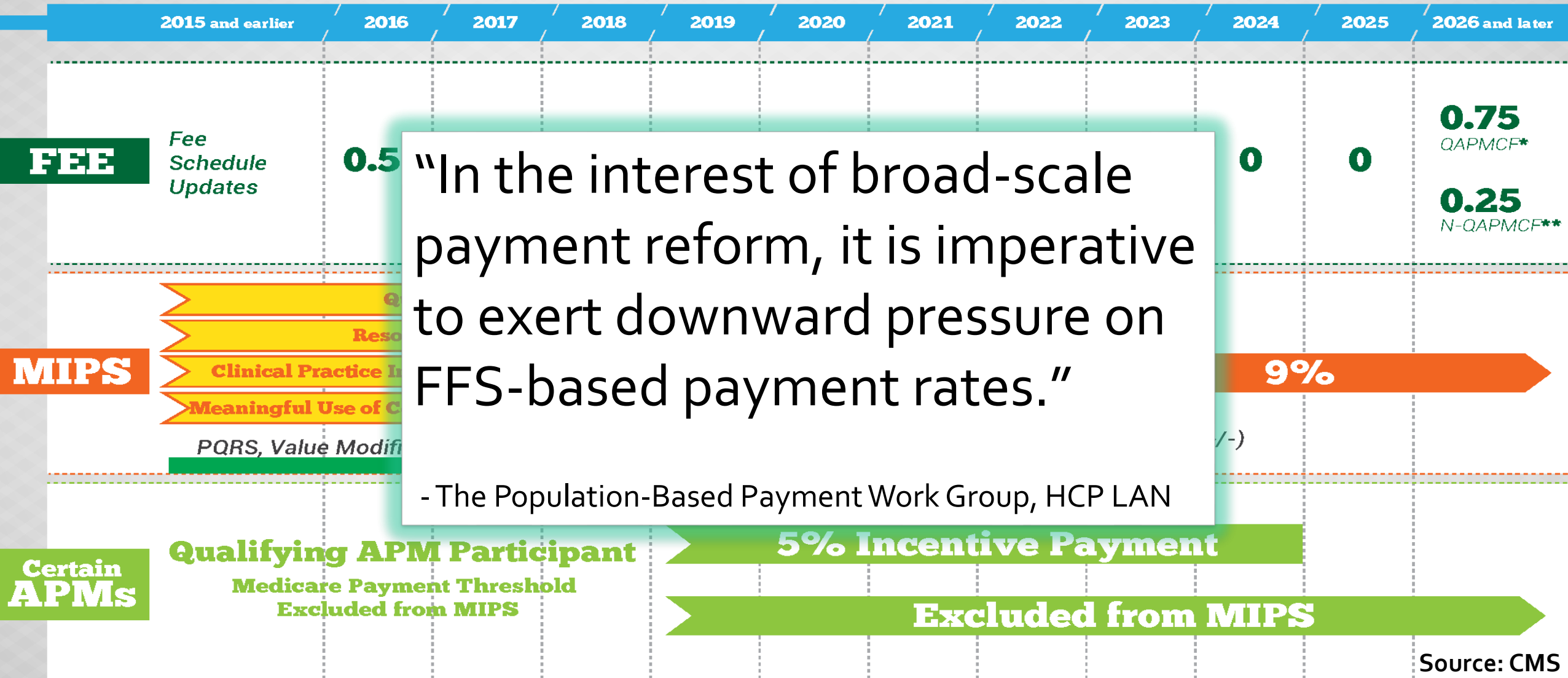
MIPS

- Scored at individual or group level
- Quality (PQRS/VBM)
- Resource Use (VBM)
- Advanced Care Information (MU)
- Clinical Practice Improvement
- 4-9% Adjustments
- 10% Exceptional Performer Bonus

APMs

- New Payment Models
- Modified MIPS Scoring
- Financial Risk
- Partial Qualifying -> MIPS Optional
- Full Qualifying -> MIPS Excluded
 - MIPS Excluded
 - 5% Bonus
 - Higher MPFS increase (2026)

Timeline



APM Framework



Category 1
 Fee for Service –
 No Link to Quality
 & Value



Category 2
 Fee for Service –
 Link to Quality
 & Value



Category 3
 APMs Built on
 Fee-for-Service
 Architecture



Category 4
 Population-Based
 Payment

Fee-for-Service

A
 Foundational
 Payments for
 Infrastructure &
 Operations

B
 Pay for
 Reporting

C
 Rewards for
 Performance

D
 Rewards and
 Penalties
 for Performance

A
 APMs
 with
 Upside
 Gainsharing

B
 APMs with
 Upside
 Gainsharing/
 Downside Risk

A
 Condition-
 Specific
 Population-
 Based Payment

B
 Comprehensive
 Population-
 Based Payment

PQRS

eRX

MU

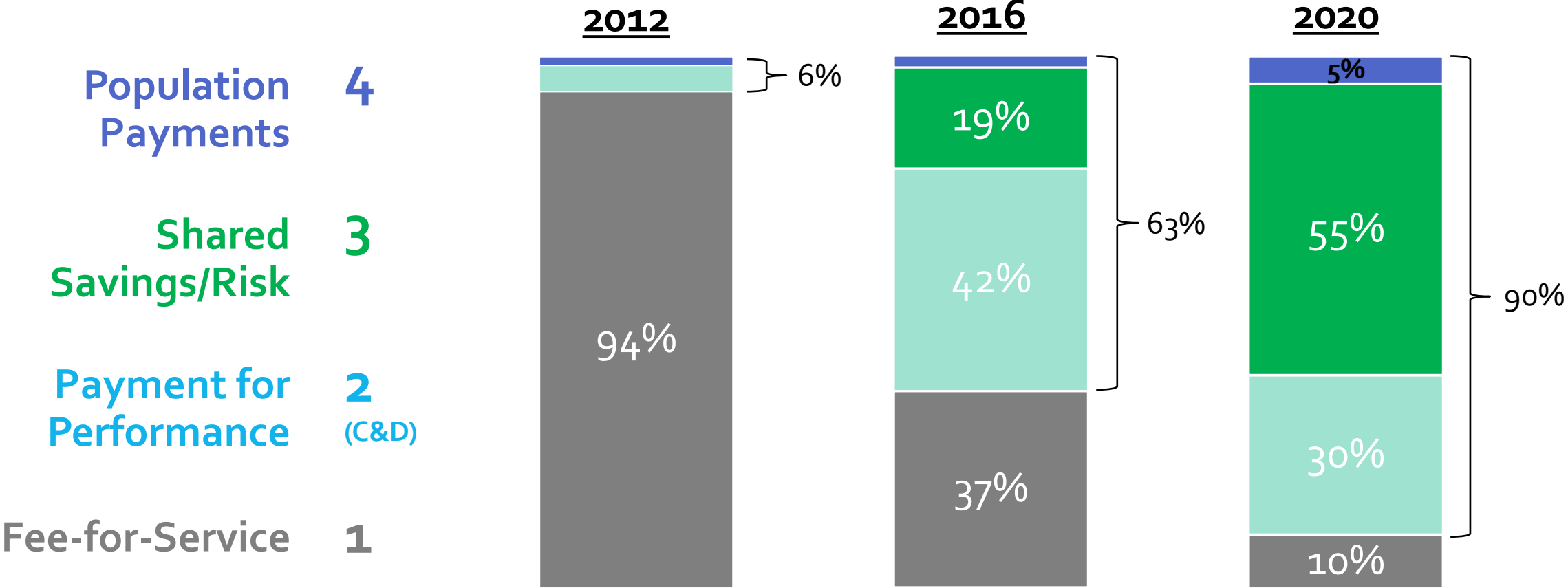
VBM

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MIPS APM (Quality, Value)

Advanced APM (Quality, Value, Risk)

Goals for Quality & Value

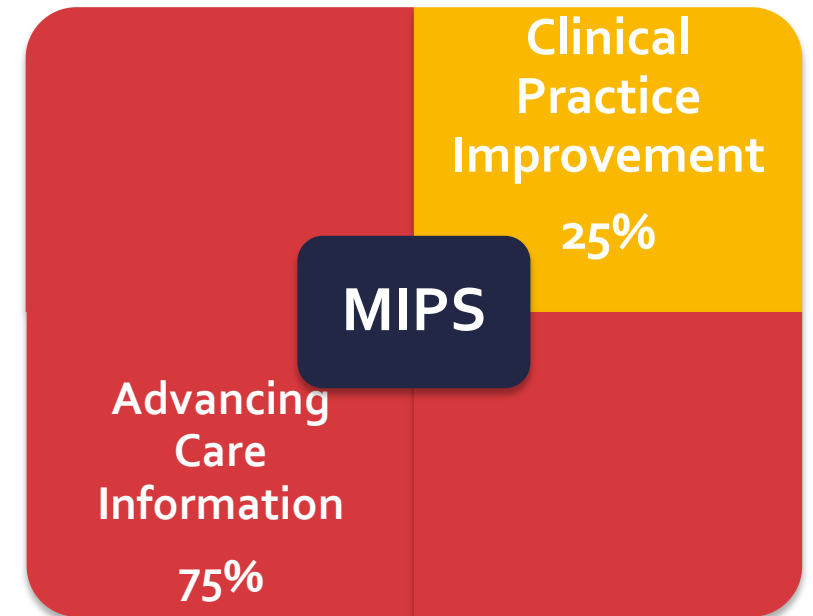


Available APMs

Medicare Model	MIPS APM	Medical Home	Advanced ACM
MSSP ACO – Track 1	YES	NO	NO
MSSP ACO – Track 2	YES	NO	YES
MSSP ACO – Track 3	YES	NO	YES
Next Generation ACO Model	YES	NO	YES
Oncology Care Model – one-sided	YES	NO	NO
Oncology Care Model – two-sided	YES	NO	YES

Oncology Care Model

- MIPS APM
 - Not assessed on Quality
 - Not assessed on Resource Use
 - 25% Clinical Practice Improvement
 - Minimum half-score due to APM
 - 75% Advancing Care Information
- Advanced APM only in two-sided risk
 - No 5% bonus in 2019; 2020?



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