2017 MIPS Performance Category Fact Sheet

IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES (New Program)

Full Participation Requirements for MIPS-Eligible CRNAs:

For patient-facing CRNAs:
- Try to complete and up to 4 activities that add up to a total of 40 points
- Activities weighted as “high” are worth 20 points and activities weighted as “medium” are worth 10 points

For CRNAs who are non-patient-facing, in groups with fewer than 15 participants, or in a rural or health professional shortage area:
- Try to complete and report up to 2 activities that add up to a total of 40 points
- Activities are worth double points: “high” weighted are 40 points and “medium” weighted are 20 points

DEFINITIONS

Patient-facing encounters: instances in which the MIPS eligible clinician or group bills for general office visits, outpatient visits, and procedure codes. The definition does not include traditional anesthesia billing codes.

Non-patient facing individual: CRNA that bills 100 or fewer patient-facing encounters during the performance period.

Non-patient facing group: more than 75% of the clinicians billing under the group’s Taxpayer Identification Number meet the definition of a non-patient facing individual.

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<td>Implementation of regular care coordination training.</td>
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<td>Use evidence-based decision aids to support shared decision-making.</td>
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<td>Provide self-management materials at an appropriate literacy level and in an appropriate language.</td>
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<td>Use of tools that assist specialty practices in tracking specific measures that are meaningful to their practice (eg, Surgical Risk Calculator).</td>
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<td>Completion of the American Medical Association’s STEPS Forward program.</td>
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<td>Use decision support and standardized treatment protocols to manage workflow in the team to meet patient needs.</td>
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<td>Participation in an Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)-listed patient safety organization.</td>
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*Participating QCDRs may have additional Improvement Activities to choose from:

- Demonstrate performance of activities that promote use of standard practices, tools and processes for quality improvement. Medium
- Demonstrate performance of activities that promote implementation of shared clinical decision making capabilities. Medium
- Promote use of patient engagement tools. Medium
- Use data for ongoing practice assessment and improvements in patient safety. Medium

2019 MIPS Scoring for CRNAs:

Improvement Activities Performance Category Weight

15% of final score (for CRNAs reporting Advancing Care Information)

Advancing Care Information (optional for CRNAs)

Cost (weight=0%; no action required)

15% of final score (for CRNAs NOT reporting Advancing Care Information)