2018 MIPS Cost Performance Category
Fact Sheet

Full Participation Requirements for MIPS-Eligible CRNAs:
No action is required; 2018 data will be collected through administrative claims and may be counted toward 2020 payment adjustments.

Cost Performance Measures
CMS finalized that the Cost Performance Category will equal 10% of MIPS eligible clinicians or groups total performance score. Measures will be calculated by CMS based on the services eligible clinicians or groups deliver in in performance year 2018.

- CMS will use only two measures for the Cost performance category. Clinicians must also provide a minimum number of patient-facing services for these Cost measures to apply
  - Total Cost per Capita (TCPP) measure - 20 or more cases
  - Medicare Saving Per Beneficiary (MSPB) measure - 35 or more cases
- If both measures apply, the Cost score will be averaged between the two measures. If only one measure applies it will serve as the performance category score.

Reweighting
If no Cost measures apply to an individual clinician or a group, the Cost performance category will be reweighted into Quality performance category.

Episode-based Cost Measures
CMS will not the use the 10 episode-based measures that were originally adopted in the Quality Payment Program’s 2017 Final Rule. CMS is continuing to develop new episode-based measures and testing them with stakeholder input. CMS anticipates introducing new episodes in the future.

Improvement Scoring Bonus
Improvement scoring is based on statistically significant changes at the measure level. Clinicians and groups can earn up to one percentage point in the Cost category.

Benchmarking
Performance will be compared against other MIPS eligible individuals and groups during the performance period therefore the benchmark is not based on the previous year.

2018 Performance Year / 2020 Payment Year MIPS COST Scoring for CRNAs:
The Cost Performance Category will be weighted as 10% in 2018 / 2020. CMS indicated that Cost will account for 30% of an eligible clinician or group’s final score in the 2019 / 2021 and future MIPS payment years.

Cost Performance Category Weight

- Quality: 15%
- Improvement Activities: 10%
- Advancing Care Information (ACI Optional for CRNAs): 25%
- Cost: 10%

10% final Score
(for CRNAs reporting ACI with applicable Cost Measures)

10% final Score
(for CRNAs NOT reporting ACI, but with applicable Cost Measures)

0% of final score
(for CRNAs NOT reporting ACI with NO applicable Cost Measures)

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