



# MACRA

## QUALITY PAYMENT PROGRAM KEY DATES

2017

**BY SPRING:**

Final 2017 payment adjustments go into effect for all clinicians and groups under PQRS, EHR Incentive Program and Value-Based Payment Modifier based on 2015 performance

**JAN. 1:**

Start of 2017 Quality Payment Program performance period for MIPS and Advanced APM participants



**BY JAN. 1:**

Initial set of Advanced APMs for the 2017 performance period announced



**FEB. 14:**

Last day that 2016 claims will be processed to be counted for PQRS reporting for the 2018 payment adjustment

**JUNE 20:**

Last day for groups to register if participating in MIPS for the 2017 performance period via the CMS Web Interface or CAHPS for MIPS Survey

**MARCH 31:**

First APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2017 performance period



**AUG. 31:**

Third APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2017 performance period



**JUNE 30:**

Second APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2017 performance period



**NOV. 1:**

Performance benchmarks for the 2018 MIPS performance period announced

**OCT. 2:**

Last day to begin participating in any MIPS category in order for groups and individual clinicians seeking to report a minimum of one continuous 90-day period for 2017

**LATE 2017:**

Clinicians and groups meeting the 2018 performance year low-volume threshold MIPS exception or non-patient facing status are notified based on their Medicare services provided during the 2017 calendar year

2018

**JAN. 2 – MARCH 31:**

Window for submitting 2017 MIPS performance data to CMS. Advanced APM participants will submit data according to the requirements of their APM



**JAN. 1:**

Start of 2018 CMS Quality Payment Program performance year for MIPS and Advanced APM participants



**JULY 31 – SEPT. 30:**

Timeframe for requesting a targeted review of a 2019 MIPS payment adjustment determination based on 2017 performance feedback

**AROUND JULY 31:**

CMS provides 2017 MIPS performance period feedback and 2019 payment adjustment determinations to groups and individual clinicians

**BY SPRING:**

Final 2018 payment adjustments go into effect for all clinicians and groups under the final year of PQRS, EHR Incentive Program and Value-Based Payment Modifier based on 2016 performance

**TIMELINE KEY**

**YELLOW**

Year 1 of Quality Payment Program

**BLUE**

Year 2 of Quality Payment Program

**RED**

Last year of current Medicare quality reporting programs

2019

**BY SPRING:**

First MIPS payment adjustments based on 2017 performance begin to be factored into Medicare Part B payments. Advanced APM Qualifying Participants will receive a lump sum payment equal to 5% of the estimated aggregate payment amounts for Medicare Part B covered professional services provided during the 2018 calendar year.

