



QUALITY PAYMENT PROGRAM KEY DATES

2018

JAN. 1:
Start of 2018 QPP performance period for MIPS and Advanced APM participants

BY JAN. 1:
Initial set of Advanced APMs for the 2018 performance period announced

JUNE 20:
Last day for groups to register if participating in MIPS for the 2018 performance period via the CMS Web Interface or CAHPS for MIPS Survey

MARCH 31:
First APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2018 performance period

AUG. 31:
Third APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2018 performance period

JUNE 30:
Second APM Participation List snapshot date for the 2018 performance period

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

NOV. 1:
Performance benchmarks for the 2019 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 2018

LATE 2018:
Clinicians and groups meeting the 2019 performance year low-volume threshold MIPS exception or non-patient facing status are notified based on their Medicare services provided during the 2018 calendar year

DEC. 31:
Fourth and final APM Participation List snapshot for the 2018 performance period

2019

JAN. 2 – MARCH 31:
Window for submitting 2018 MIPS performance data to CMS. Advanced APM participants will submit data according to the requirements of their APM

JAN. 1:
Start of 2019 CMS QPP performance year for MIPS and Advanced APM participants

JULY 31 – SEPT. 30:
Timeframe for requesting a targeted review of a 2020 MIPS payment adjustment determination based on 2018 performance feedback

AROUND JULY 31:
CMS provides 2018 MIPS performance period feedback and 2020 payment adjustment determinations to groups and individual clinicians

2020

BY SPRING:
MIPS payment adjustments based on 2018 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 2019 calendar year.

TIMELINE KEY

YELLOW
Year 2 of Quality Payment Program

BLUE
Year 3 of Quality Payment Program

RED
Last year of current Medicare quality reporting programs

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Dates based on 2018 Medicare Quality Payment Program Final Rule. Check qpp.cms.gov for the latest updates.