



## Overview of the Changes to the Merit-based Incentive Program (MIPS), August X, 2018

The purpose of this cheat sheet is to compare the objectives and measures finalized by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in the Promoting Interoperability program for hospitals in the final IPPS rule with what CMS has proposed for clinicians in the Promoting Interoperability performance category of the Merit-based Incentive Program (MIPS) in the proposed Quality Payment Program (QPP) rule for 2019 (the QPP rule is not expected to be issued in final form until this fall).

### KEY CHANGES:

#### *Hospitals:*

##### *Changed from the proposed rule for 2019 is:*

- Under the public health measures hospitals now only must select any two measures rather than having to meet syndromic reporting plus one additional registry measure.
- New opioid measures are finalized as proposed, except the Verifying the Opioid Treatment Plan measure is now optional for both 2019 and 2020.

##### *Changes from 2018 final rule:*

- We are in the process of summarizing the changes made in the final rule and will publish that soon. In the meantime, please direct questions to [policy@chimecentral.org](mailto:policy@chimecentral.org).

#### *Clinicians: Proposed for change from the 2018 final rule are:*

- New opioid measures have been finalized.
- Clinicians are no longer required to meet immunization reporting to get up to 10% points; now may pick any two registry measures.
- Go [here](#) for a detailed summary of the proposed measures and objectives.



Blue = required but no points assigned; Green = Renamed; Red = New. Strikeout represents removed.

2018 Hospital PI Objectives	2018 MIPS EP Objectives	2018 Hospital PI Measures	2018 MIPS EP Measures	2019 Final Hospital Objectives	2019 Proposed MIPS EP Objectives	2019 Final Hospital Measures	2019 MIPS EP Measures
Protect Patient Info	Protect Patient Info	Security Risk Analysis	Security Risk Analysis		Protect Patient Health Info	Security Risk Analysis (0 points but must meet)	Security Risk Analysis
Electronic Prescribing	Electronic Prescribing	Erxc: 25%	E-prescribing	e-Prescribing	e-Prescribing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e-Prescribing (10 points)</li> <li>Query of Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) [NEW] (5 bonus points)</li> <li>Verify Opioid Treatment Agreement [NEW] (5 bonus point)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e-Prescribing (10 points)</li> <li>Query of Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) [NEW] (5 bonus points)</li> <li>Verify Opioid Treatment Agreement [NEW] (5 bonus points)</li> </ul>
Patient Access to Information	Patient Electronic Access	Provide access: 50%  Patient education: 10%	Provide patient access  Patient-Specific Education	Provider to Patient Exchange	Provider to Patient Exchange	Provide Patients Electronic Access to Their Health Information (40 points)	Provide Patients Electronic Access to Their Health Information (40 points)
Coordination of Care	Coordination of Care Through Patient Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>View, download, transmit: at least one patient</del></li> <li><del>Secure messaging: 5%</del></li> <li><del>Patient generated data: 5%</del></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>View, Download, or Transmit (VDT)</del></li> <li><del>Secure Messaging</del></li> <li><del>Patient-Generated Health Data</del></li> </ul>	Removed	Removed	Removed	Removed
Health Information Exchange	Health Information Exchange	Send Summary of Care (SoC): 10%  Request/Accept SoC: 10%  Clinical Info Reconciliation: 50%	Send a Summary of Care  Request/Accept Summary of Care  Clinical Information Reconciliation	Health Information Exchange	Health Information Exchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support Electronic Referral Loops by Sending Health Information (20 points)</li> <li>Support Electronic Referral Loops by Receiving and Incorporating Health Information (20 points)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support Electronic Referral Loops by Sending Health Information (20 points)</li> <li>Support Electronic Referral Loops by Receiving and Incorporating Health Information (20 points)</li> </ul>



Public Health Reporting	Public Health and Clinical Data Registry Reporting	Report to 3: Immunization Syndromic Public Health Clinical Data Electronic Lab	Immunization Registry Reporting: 0%-10%  Get 10 percentage points for reporting to any single public health agency or clinical data registry to meet any of the measures associated	Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange	Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange	Choose any two of the following:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Syndromic Surveillance Reporting</li> <li>• Immunization Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Electronic Case Reporting</li> <li>• Public Health Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Clinical Data Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Electronic Reportable Laboratory Result Reporting</li> </ul>	Choose two of the following: (10 points)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Electronic Case Reporting</li> <li>• Public Health Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Clinical Data Registry Reporting</li> <li>• Syndromic Surveillance Reporting</li> </ul>
	Bonus		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report to one or more additional public health agencies or clinical data registries beyond the one identified for the performance score (5%)</li> <li>• Report improvement activities using CEHRT (10%)</li> <li>• Report using only 2015 Edition CEHRT (10%)</li> </ul>				