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2017 Proposed Rule MIPS Composite Performance Score – Advancing Care Information Category

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Agenda

- Context - Review
 - Evolution from PQRS to QPP
 - MIPS Adjustment Factor
 - MIPS Composite Performance Score
- Details of the Advancing Care Information Performance Category
- Watch for Future Webinars
 - Details of the Resource Use Performance Category
 - Details of the Clinical Practice Improvement Activities Performance Category

MACRA

Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015

Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) and Alternative Payment Model (APM) Incentive

Proposed Rule for QPP Published
May 9, 2016

Final Rule to be Published by
November 1 Annually

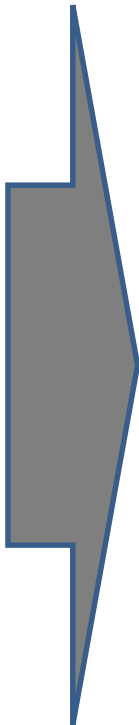
Introducing Medicare's New Quality Payment Program

Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS)

Value Based Modifier (VBM or VM)

Quality Tiering

Medicare EHR Incentive Program (aka: meaningful use)



Quality Payment Program(QPP)

Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS)

Eligible Clinicians

Virtual Groups

Alternate Payment Mechanisms (APM)

APM Type

APM Entity

Advanced APM

Qualified Providers (QP)

Partial QP

Split TIN

2016	Last Reporting Year
March 31, 2017	Last Submission Due
2018	Last Payment Adjustments Applied

2017	First Reporting Year
March 31, 2018	First Submission Due
2019	First Payment Adjustments Applied



Revenues Increasingly at Risk

\$50B Medicare Revenue will be at risk by 2022

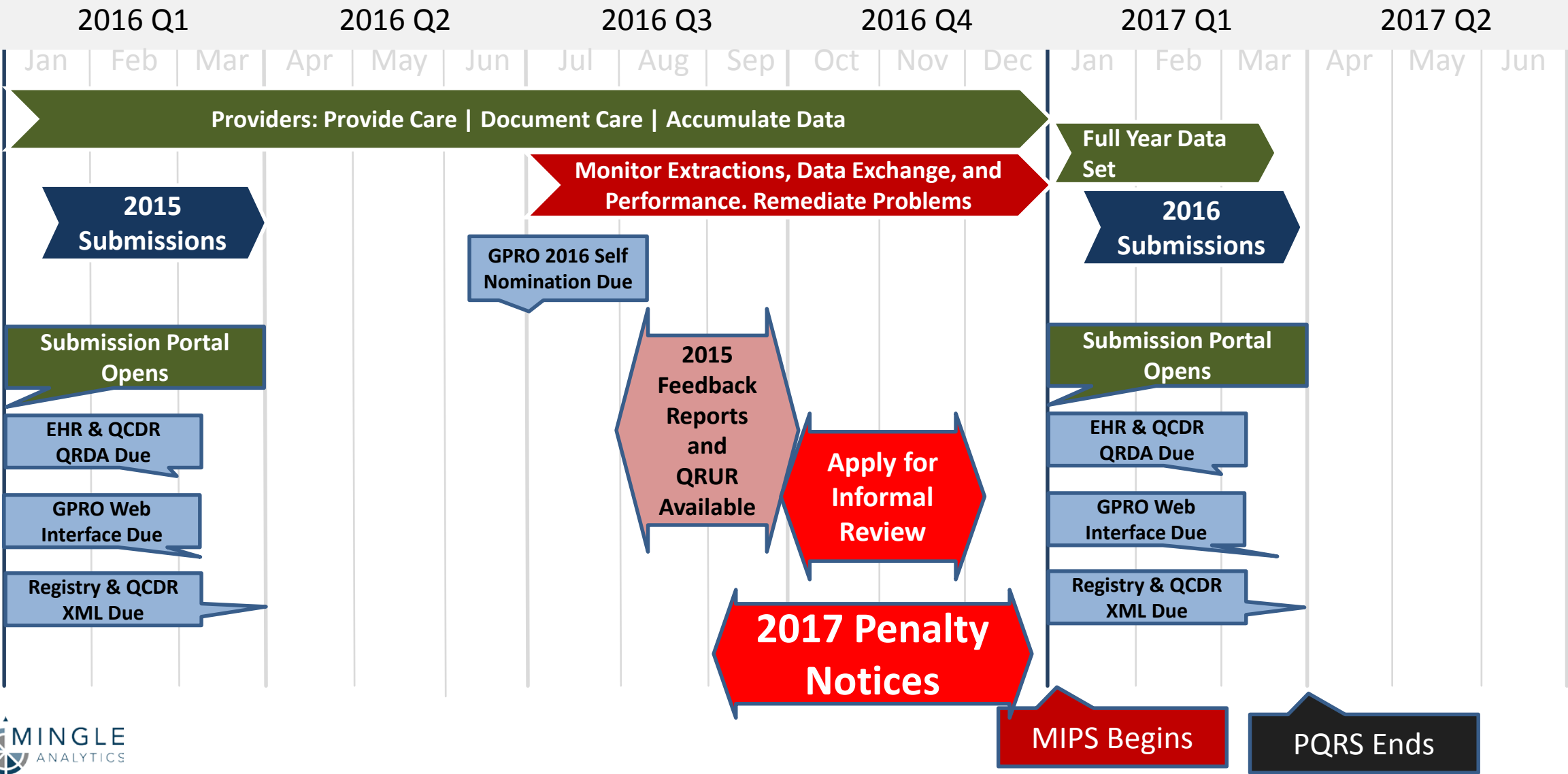
Program Year	Reporting (Service Year)	Adjustment Expected	Physician Average
2019	2017	± 4%	± \$4,000
2020	2018	± 5%	± \$5,000
2021	2019	± 7%	± \$7,000
2022	2020	± 9%	± \$9,000

*CMS 2013
PQRS
Experience
Report*

Estimated Impact in 2019

Program	Applies to	Negative Adjustments	Positive Adjustments
MIPS Adjustments	687k to 747k providers	\$833m	\$833m
Exceptional Performance Payments			\$500m
Advanced APM Incentives	30k – 90k Providers		\$146m - \$429m

PQRS Timeline



Quality Tiering – How it was done

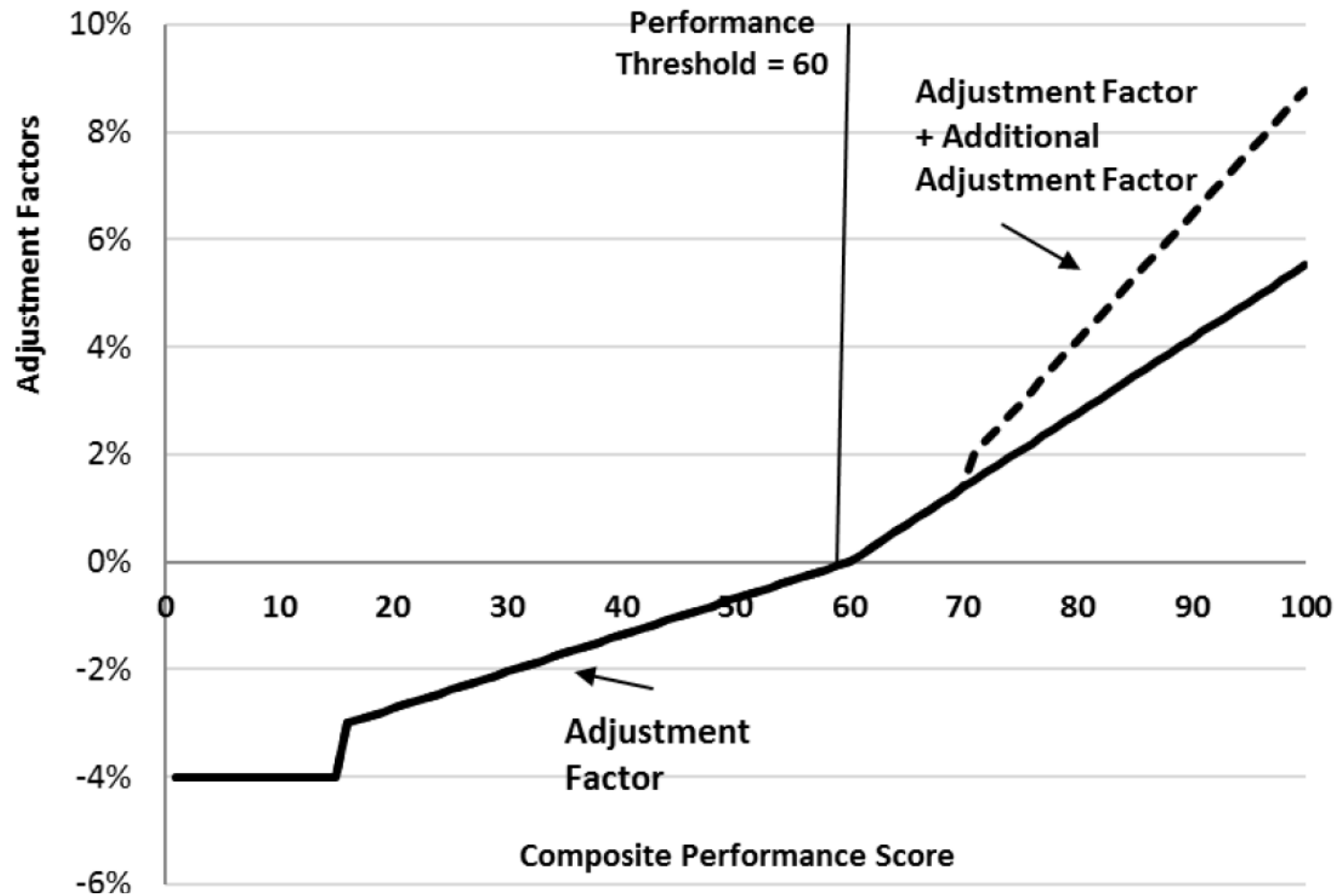
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Low Quality	Avg Quality	High Quality		
0	+2x%	+4x%	Low Cost	5%
-2%	0	+2x%	Avg Cost	90%
-4%	-2%	0	High Cost	5%

Conceptual Model of MIPS Year 1

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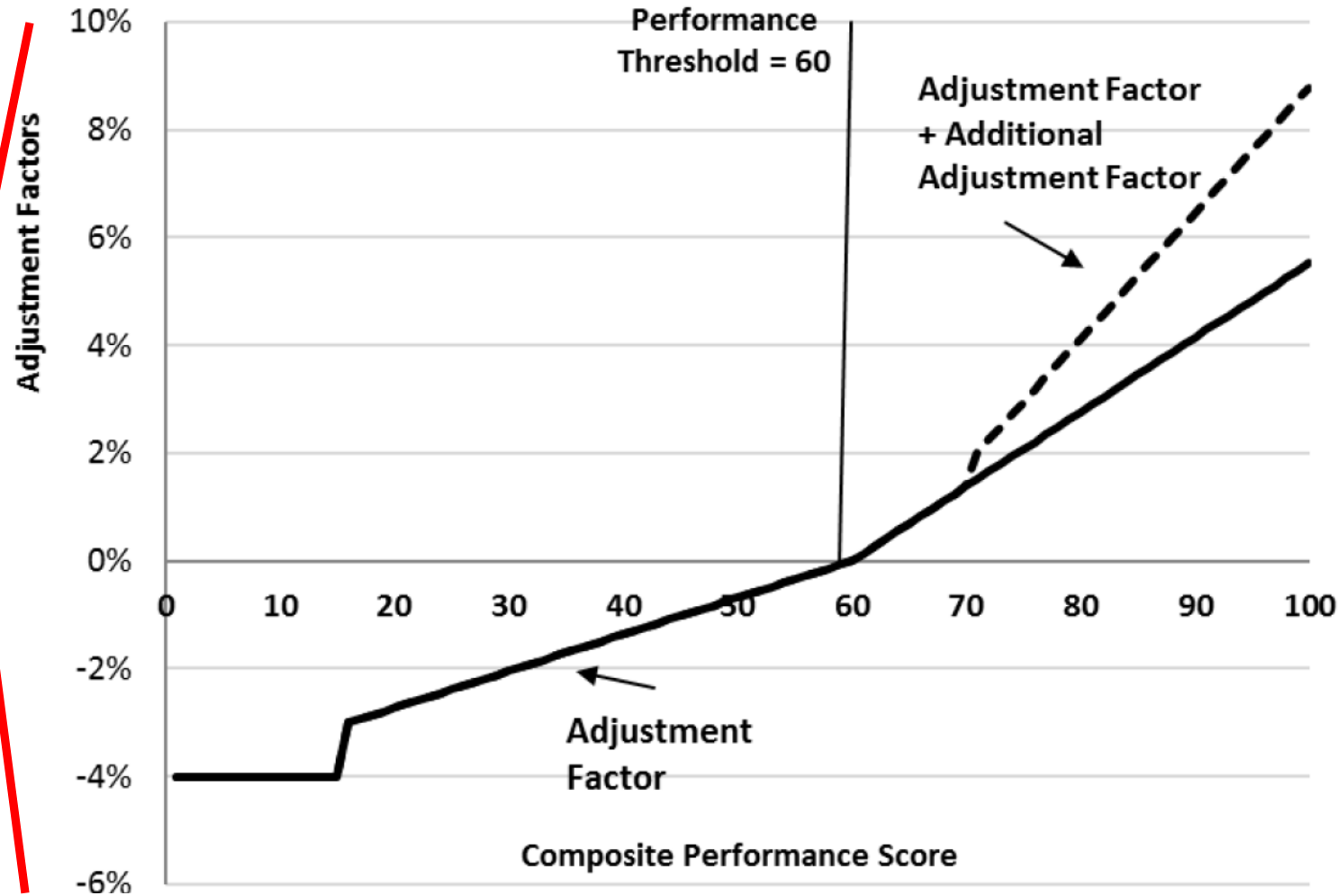
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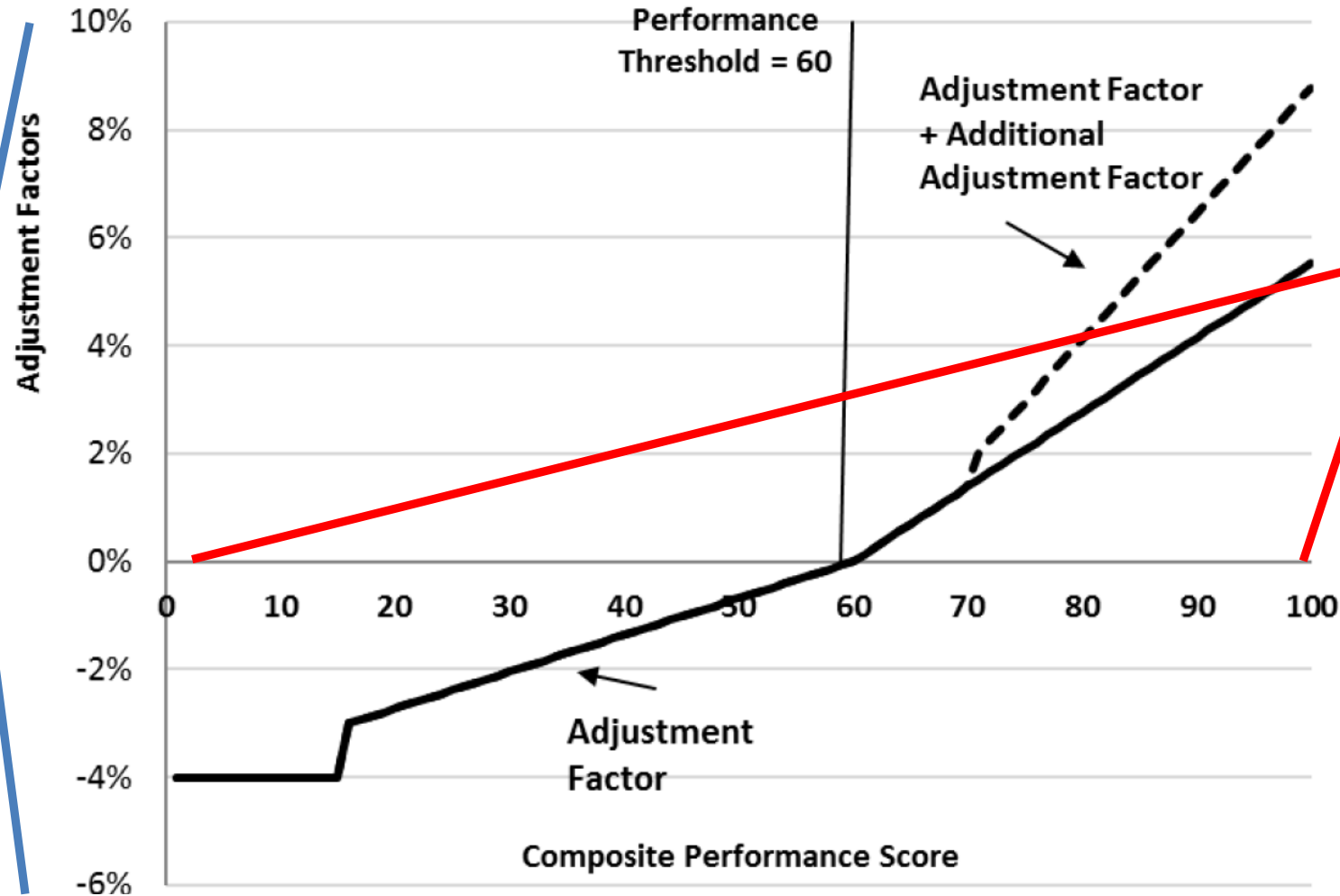
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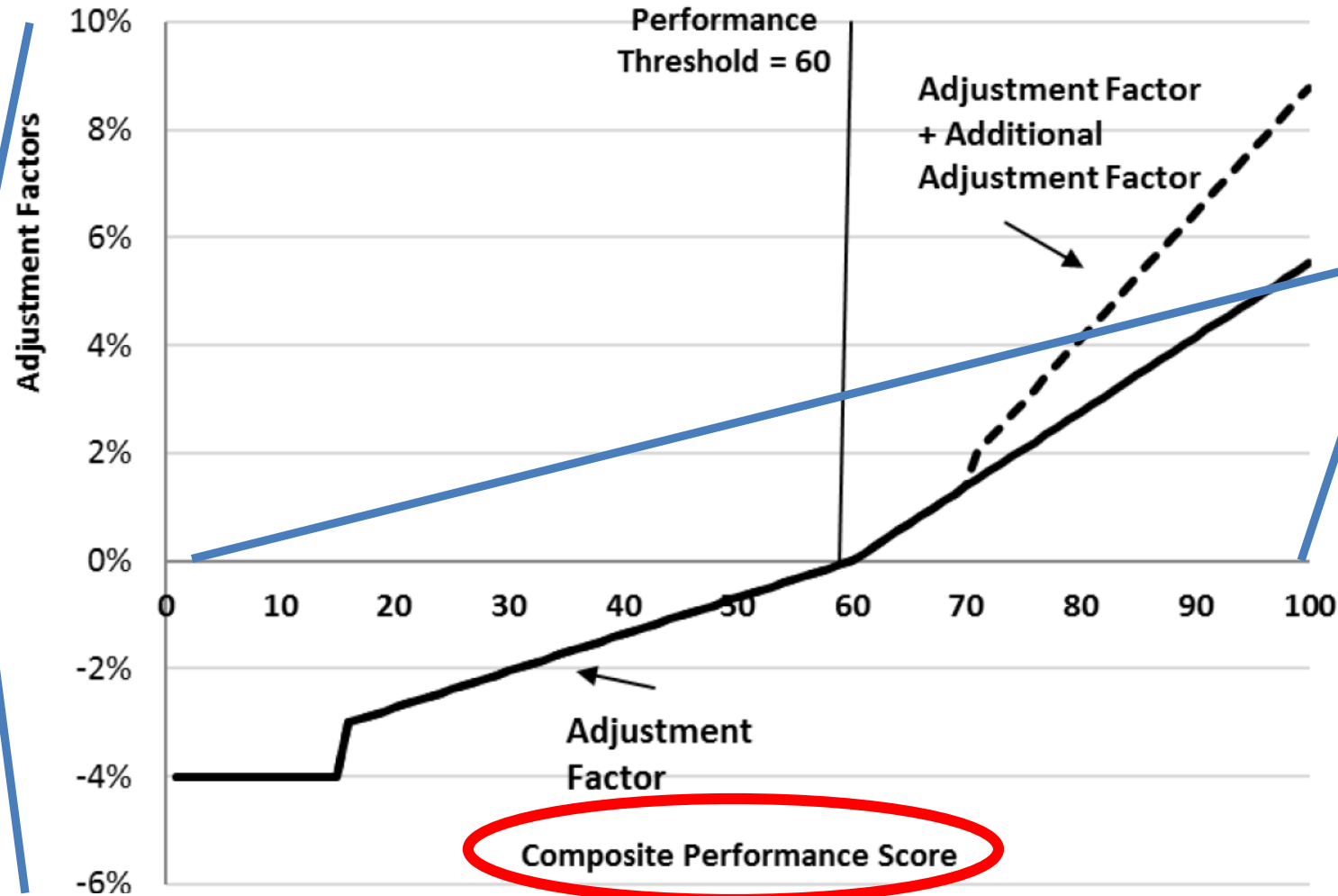
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Each Performance Category must be submitted with a Single Mechanism

Medicare Encourages Groups and Individuals to use the same Vendor for 3 Performance Categories

Submission Mechanisms

Mechanism	Resource Use	Quality	Advancing Care Information	Clinical Practice Improvement Activities
Attestation			Ind Grp	Ind Grp
Qualified Registry		Ind Grp	Ind Grp	Ind Grp
Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR)		Ind Grp	Ind Grp	Ind Grp
Electronic Health Record / Data Submission Vendor		Ind Grp	Ind Grp	Ind Grp
Web Interface		Grp ≥ 25	Grp ≥ 25	Grp ≥ 25
Survey Vendor		Grp ≥ 2		
Administrative Claims	Ind Grp	Select Measures		Maybe

All MIPS Eligible Clinicians Subject to Advancing Care Information Performance Category

- Physicians
- Physician Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners
- Clinical Nurse Specialists
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
- Hospital Based Clinicians

Current proposal is to exclude Hospital Based Physicians from Advancing Care Information in early years of the program

Hospital Based Clinician = 90% of Claims

In the year prior to the reporting year
at POS = 21(hospital) or 23(Emergency Room)

ACI Hardship Considerations

Apply by March 31 for Hardship Exemption (ACI Weight of Zero)

- Insufficient Internet Connectivity
- Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances
- Lack of Control over the Availability of certified EHR technology
- Lack of Face-to-Face Patient Interaction

Weight of Zero Applied if no ACI Data Submitted

- Lack of Experience or Previous Inducement to adopt CEHRT
 - Nurse Practitioners
 - Physicians Assistants
 - Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
 - Clinical Nurse Specialists

Medicaid Meaningful Use Does Not Change

Other than to sunset the requirement for States to Report their Meaningful Users to Medicare

Medicaid Meaningful Use:

- 2016 is the last year to begin receiving Incentive Payments
- 2021 is the Final distribution of Incentive Payments

New Focus

- Use of Certified EHR Technology (CEHRT)
- Health Information Exchange
- Patient Engagement
- Care Coordination

New Approach

- Reward
 - Small Incremental Steps – continuous improvements
 - Isolated Areas of Excellence
- Eliminate Thresholds (for now)
- Support Reporting by
 - Individual (TIN-NPI)
 - Group (TIN)
- Support Innovation
- Allow MIPS eligible clinicians to use EHR technology in a manner more relevant to their practice

Certification Edition Requirements

Reporting Year	Require Certification Edition	Correlation with Stages
2017	2014, 2015	Modified Stage 2, Stage 3
2018	2015	Stage 3

CMS Introduces a Group Practice Reporting Option for the Advancing Care Information Performance Category

Scoring Methodology

Base Score	Incent Participation and Reporting
Performance Score	Incent Exceptional Performance

2 Options Outlined

Stage 3 Equivalent ACI Scoring Option 1

	Objective	Measure*	Total Base Score	
1	Protect Patient Health Information	Security Risk Analysis	Base Score counts for 50 % of total ACI Category Score	
2	Electronic Prescribing	ePrescribing		
3	Patient Electronic Access	Patient Access	Requires every measure to have: Yes or > 0	
		Patient-Specific Education		
4	Coordination of Care Through Patient Engagement	View, Download or Transmit (VDT)		
		Secure Messaging		
5	Health Information Exchange	Patient-Generated Health Data	Failure of any measure → Zero ACI Category Score	
		Patient Care Record Exchange		
		Request/Accept Patient Care Record		
6	Public Health and Clinical Data Registry Reporting	Clinical Information Reconciliation		
		Immunization Registry Reporting		1 Category Bonus Point for Each Optional Element
		(Optional) Syndromic Surveillance Reporting		
		(Optional) Electronic Case Reporting		
		(Optional) Public Health Registry Reporting		
		(Optional) Clinical Data Registry Reporting		
x	Clinical Decision Support	Discontinued		
x	Computerized Provider Order Entry			

Stage 3 Equivalent ACI Scoring Option 2

	Objective	Measure*	Total Base Score	
1	Protect Patient Health Information	Security Risk Analysis	Base Score counts for 50 % of total ACI Category Score	
2	Electronic Prescribing	ePrescribing		
3	Clinical Decision Support	Clinical Decision Support (CDS) Interventions	Requires every measure to have: Yes or > 0 Failure of any measure → Zero ACI Category Score	
		Drug Interaction and Drug-Allergy Checks		
4	Computerized Provider Order Entry	Medication Orders		
		Laboratory Orders		
		Diagnostic Imaging Orders		
5	Patient Electronic Access	Patient Access		
		Patient-Specific Education		
6	Coordination of Care Through Patient Engagement	View, Download or Transmit (VDT)		
		Secure Messaging		
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		Request/Accept Patient Care Record		
		Clinical Information Reconciliation		
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Mod Stage 2 Equivalent ACI Scoring Option (2017 only)

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9	Medication Reconciliation	Medication Reconciliation	
10	Public Health Reporting	Immunization Registry Reporting	
		Syndromic Surveillance Reporting	
		Specialized Registry Reporting	

Performance Scoring

Objective	Measure*	Possible Points
Patient Electronic Access	Patient Access	10
	Patient-Specific Education	10
Coordination of Care Through Patient Engagement	View, Download or Transmit (VDT)	10
	Secure Messaging	10
	Patient-Generated Health Data	10
Health Information Exchange	Patient Care Record Exchange	10
	Request/Accept Patient Care Record	10
	Clinical Information Reconciliation	10

50 Points = 50% of the Maximum Potential ACI Composite Performance Category Score

Hypothetical Scoring Example

	Objective	Measure	Reported Performance	Base Score	Bonus	Performance	TOTAL			
1	Protect Patient Health Information	Security Risk Analysis	Yes	50						
2	Electronic Prescribing	ePrescribing	20%							
3	Patient Electronic Access	Patient Access	95%					9.5		
		Patient-Specific Education	65%					6.5		
4	Coordination of Care Through Patient Engagement	View, Download or Transmit (VDT)	33%					3.3		
		Secure Messaging	31%					3.1		
		Patient-Generated Health Data	25%					2.5		
5	Health Information Exchange	Patient Care Record Exchange	21%					2.1		
		Request/Accept Patient Care Record	38%					3.8		
		Clinical Information Reconciliation	57%					5.7		
6	Public Health and Clinical Data Registry Reporting	Immunization Registry Reporting	Yes							
		(Optional) Syndromic Surveillance Reporting								
		(Optional) Electronic Case Reporting								
		(Optional) Public Health Registry Reporting								
		(Optional) Clinical Data Registry Reporting	Yes	1						
TOTAL				50	1	36.5	87.5			

Scoring

- There are 134 points to be earned
 - 50 Base
 - 4 Bonus
 - 80 = 10 points in each of 8 measures
- You are capped at 100
- 87.5 Total points in our example
- Means you earn 87.5% of 25 possible ACI Points
- Is $.875 \times 25 = 21.9$

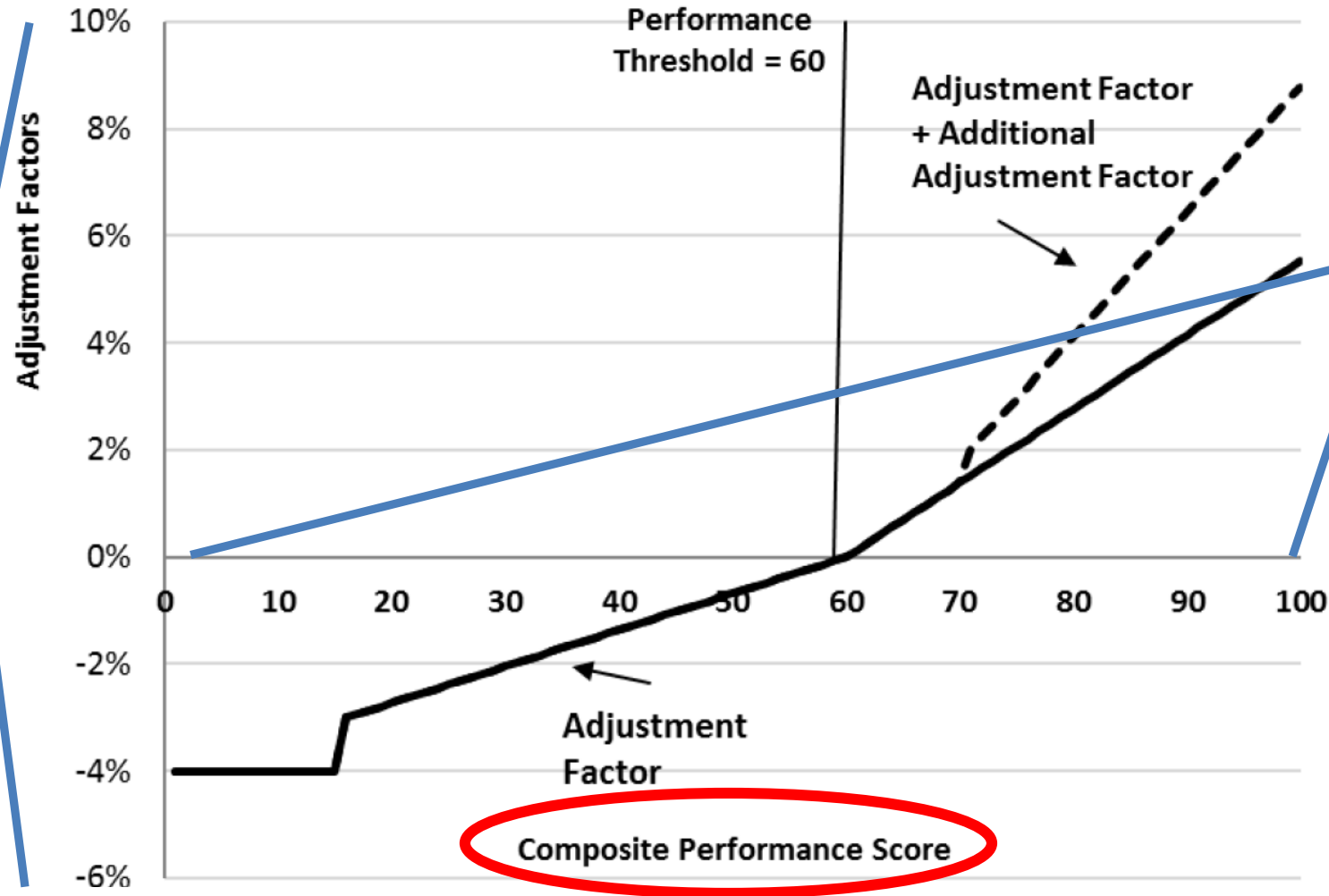
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