

### Succeed with MIPS in 2021:

Getting Started and Quarter 1 Milestones

Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 12 pm ET Presented by Brigid Whitney-Gallagher Manager, Client Services, Mingle Health



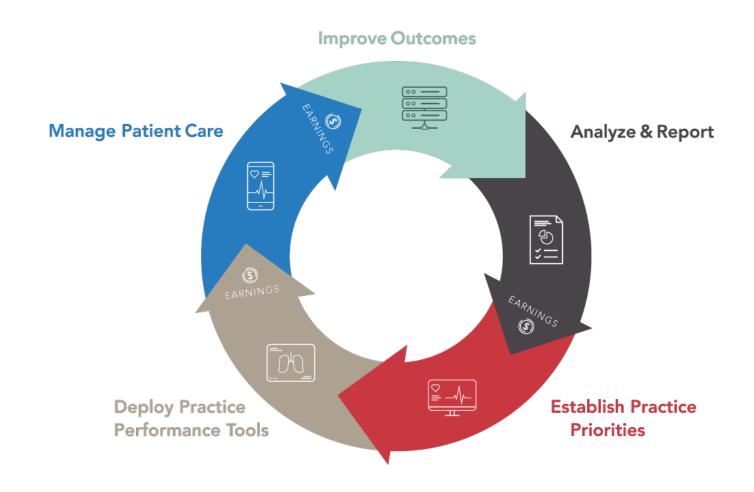
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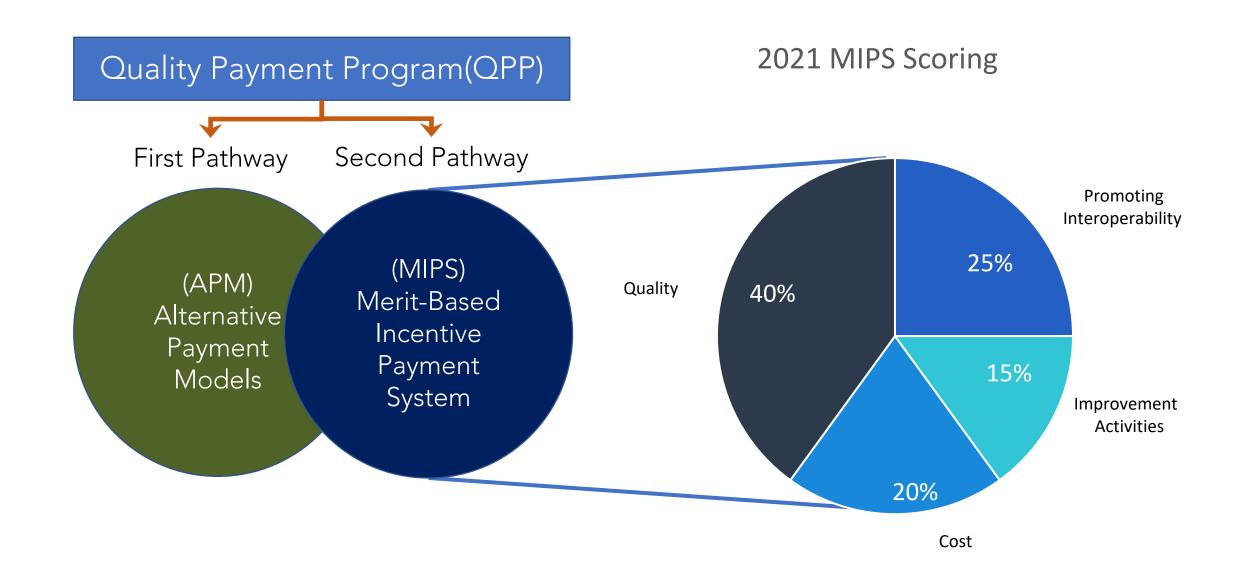




# Agenda

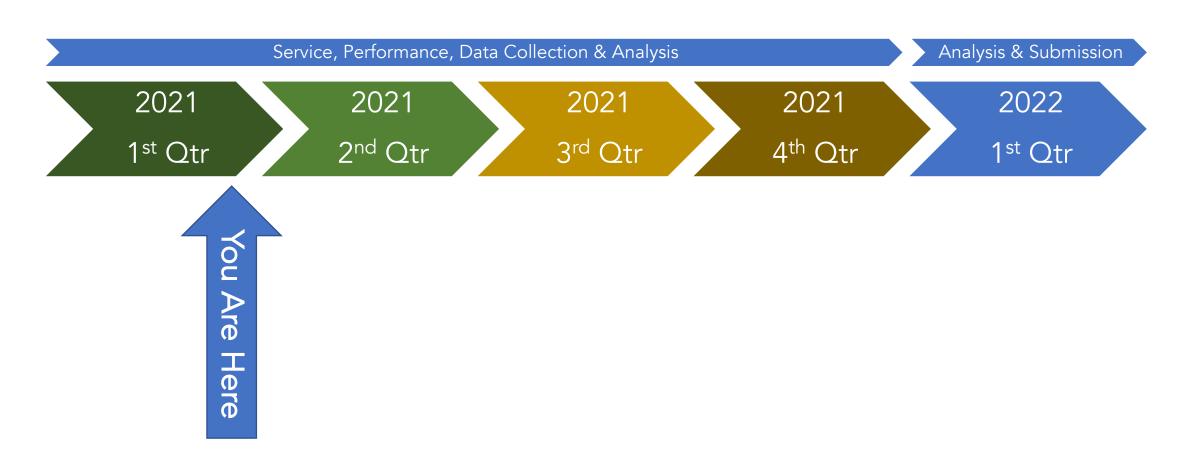
- What's at stake?
- Tips for Success
  - What are your goals?
  - Who's eligible?
  - How was last year's performance?
  - What's changed?
- Q&A







# MIPS 2021 Performance Year

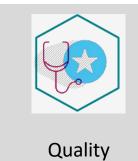




# Performance Category Weights



# 4 Performance Categories



40 Points

Full Year of Data

All Payers

≥ 70% of Eligible **Patients** 



Cost

20 Points

+

Full Year of Data



Improvement **Activities** 

15 Points

+

≥ 90 Days



**Promoting** Interoperability

25 Points

+

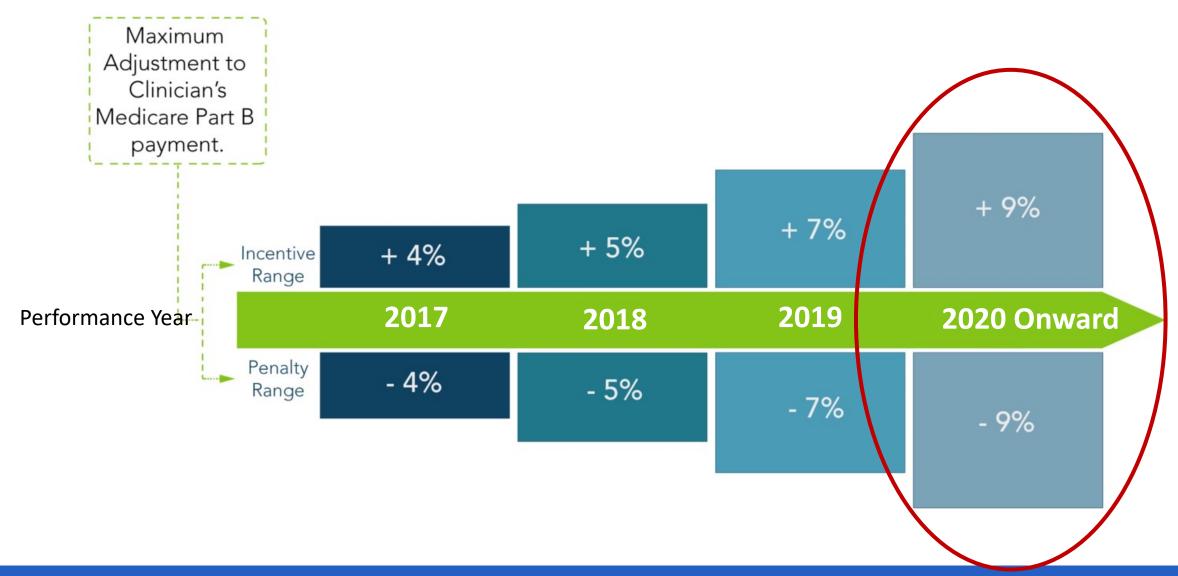
≥ 90 Days

100 Possible Final

**Points** 



### What is at Stake (Theoretical)





# Increasing Thresholds and Payment Adjustments

Payment Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024^
Performance Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022^
Avoid a penalty	3 points	15 points	30 points	45 points	60 points	74 points^
Exceptional performance	70 points	70 points	75 points	85 points	85 points	N/A
Positive adjustment*	1.88%*	1.7%*	1.79%*	~2%*	~5%*	~3%^
Maximum Penalty	-4%	-5%	-7%	-9%	-9%	-9%

<sup>\*</sup> Positive adjustment is lower than design due to transition year dynamics, low volume threshold (fewer clinicians participating), scaling factor and budget neutrality, and exceptional performance bonus.

<sup>^ 2022</sup> performance year will be finalized in the 2022 CMS PFS Final Rule.



### Tips for Success

- 1. Set your Organization's Goals
- 2. Understand Your Clinician's Eligibility
- 3. Last Year's Performance
- 4. Quality Measures and Understand your YTD Quality Performance
- 5. Plan for IA and PI (90-day Performance Period)



# 1. Set your Organization's Goals





### 2. Understand Your Clinician's Eligibility

Check your status at

qpp.cms.gov/participation-lookup

### **QPP Participation Status**

Enter your 10-digit National Provider Identifier (NPI) number to view your QPP participation status by performance year (PY).





### 2. Understand Your Clinician's Eligibility

### • 2021 Eligible Clinicians

- MIPS Eligible
- Qualifying Participant (QP) Status:
   Final Eligibility ~ December 2021

### Special Statuses

- Low-volume
- Small practice
- Non-patient facing
- Hospital-based
- Ambulatory Surgical Centerbased

#### **MIPS Determination Period**

1st Determination Year 10/1/19 – 9/30/20 2nd Determination Year 10/1/20 – 9/30/21

#### **Low Volume Threshold**

MIPS Eligible	Low Volume Status	May Optin
> \$90k Allowable Charges	≤ \$90k Allowable Charges	> \$90k Allowable Charges
AND > 200 Medicare Patients	AND ≤ 200 Medicare Patients	OR > 200 Medicare Patients
AND > 200 Charge Line Items	AND ≤ 200 Charge Line Items	OR > 200 Charge Line Items



### 3. Review your Prior Year Feedback Report

#### Overview of 2019 Final Score



January 1, 2020

Performance Category Scores

#### Insight into Cost Attribution

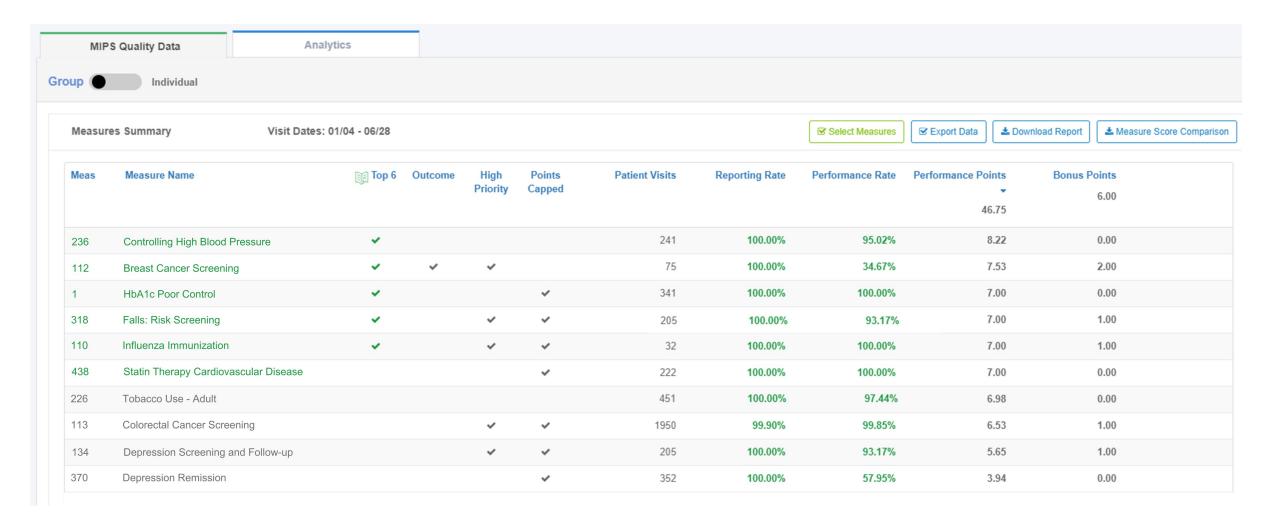
#### **Emergency Department Utilizations**

Emergency Department Utilization numbers are for Emergency Department visits and include visits that resulted in an admission.

Patients Associated with Your Practice	52
Associated Patients with Emergency Department Visits	12
Total Number of Emergency Department Visits	17



# Understand your YTD Quality Performance





# Measure Score Changes

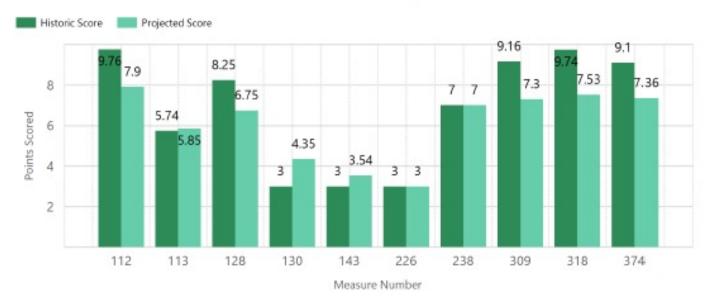
Will the same performance lead to your score increasing? Decreasing? Staying the same?

Year-over-Year Score fluctuation for same performance due to:

- New and changing benchmarks
- Discontinued Measures
- Topped out measure policies
- Changing specifications
- Variations around the 20-case minimum

#### Sample Individual Submission

Year Over Year Score Comparison





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### Improvement Activities

- Attest to activities earning a total of 40 points to maximize score in the category.
- Activities are weighted, so practices will attest to 1-4 activities to earn full points.
- Most activities must be attested to for 90-days, but some are longer.
- Special statuses (ex. Small Practice) can double the points an activity can earn.
- Review the Data Validation Criteria for selected activities to be prepared for audit.
- In most cases, practices can attest to the same improvement activity as the previous year. Please review activities carefully, as they may change from year to year.
- For Group reporting, at least 50% of clinicians must participate in the activities.



### Review Pl Measures & Address Gaps

Objective	Promoting Interoperability Measure	Scoring	Additional Information	
Protect Patient Health Information	Security Risk Analysis (PI_PPHI_1)	Required, unscored measure	Yes or No response.	
e-Prescribing	e-Prescribing (PI_EP_1)	up to 10 points (N/D x 10 = points)	Must report at least 1 patient in numerator; Can qualify for exclusion if < 100 prescriptions.	
	Bonus (not required): Query of Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) (PI_EP_2)	10 bonus points	Yes or No response.	
Provider to Patient Exchange	Provide Patients Electronic Access to Their Health Information (PI_PEA_1)	up to 40 points (N/D x 40 = points)	Must report at least 1 patient in numerator, no exclusions for this measure.	
Health Information Exchange	Support Electronic Referral Loops by Sending Health Information (PI_HIE_1)	up to 20 points (N/D x 20 = points)	Must report at least 1 patient in numerator. Can qualify for exclusion if < 100 referrals/transfer of care patients sent out from the practice.	
	Support Electronic Referral Loops by Reconciling Health Information (PI_HIE_4)	up to 20 points (N/D x 20 = points)	Must report at least 1 patient in numerator.  Only 1 exclusion for 2020: Can qualify for exclusion if < 100 incoming referral/new patients.	
HIE (alternative)	Bi-directional Exchange	40 points	Yes or No response.	
	Immunization Registry Reporting (PI_PHCDRR_1)			
Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange	Syndromic Surveillance Reporting (PI_PHCDRR_2)	10 points (report on 2measures)	To be awarded full points, must be in:  Active engagement with two registries, or  Active engagement with one & excluded from one registry, or  Excluded from two registries.	
	Electronic Case Reporting (PI_PHCDRR_3)			
	Public Health Registry Reporting (PI_PHCDRR_4)			
	Clinical Data Registry Reporting (PI_PHCDRR_5)			

#### Tips for success:

- 2015 Edition CEHRT MUST be in place for the entire chosen 90-day (or longer) performance period.
- October 3, 2021 is the last day your 90-day period performance can begin.
- If you qualify for exclusion criteria for any of the objectives/measures below, points will be re-weighted to another measure.
- A Group is considered
   Hospital Based if >75% of encounters occur in POS 19, 21, 22 or 23.

Download our 2021 PI Guide



# Project Plan

Quality **MIPS Solutions** Kick off and **Prepare Submission** Succeed with MIPS Management and **Contract Completed** Planning to CMS Monitoring **Review MIPS** Plan for Plan for Kick off and Set goal for Determine Kick Off improvement promoting program MIPS data strategy planning Interoperability activities changes Quality management Add performance Monitor measure Prioritize areas Upload data Select measures for improvement data performance & monitoring Finalize Send year end Make any Prepare & finalize Make IA and PI submission & Submit to denominator and necessary attestations preview MIPS CMS\* submission to CMS performance data updates Score



### MIPS as a Pathway to Value-Based Care Success

- Be Patient Centered
  - Be Available, Accessible, and Prompt
  - Be Accurate, Effective and Efficient
  - Keep your promises
- Use EHR effectively to improve care and efficiency
  - Understand your patients' history and care plan
  - Keep your lists up to date
  - Seek Brevity and Clarity in your documentation
- Track (Measure) Your Patients' Needs
  - Manage Transitions
  - Manage all Care, not just chronic disease
  - Comprehensive Care Planning
- Break free of face to face visits
- Be selective about your care network
  - Pre-plan your most common referrals

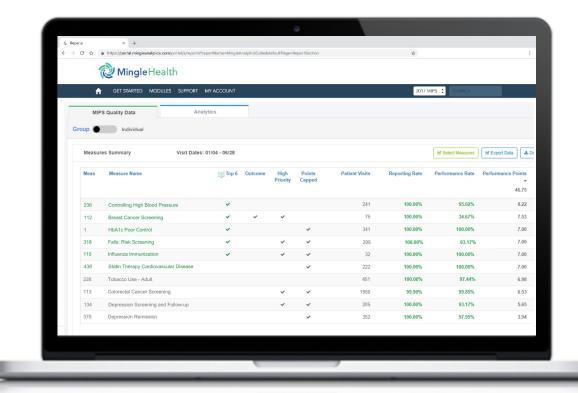


# A Partnership for your Success



Submission is the easy part. Let us help you with the hard part.

- ✓ Create a plan to avoid penalty
- ✓ Optimize incentive and potential bonus
- ✓ Select the right measures
- ✓ Analyze and improve MIPS scores
- ✓ Successfully submit data to Medicare





# Navigating the Challenges of MIPS in 2020:

# We're here to help!



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#### Jeff asks:

I know the max penalty is 9%, if I meet some but not all the requirements (for example not all the quality measures), am I correct to assume that the penalty would be significantly smaller?

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### Larry asks:

Can you explain the option that allow practices to "re-weight" the QPP categories?

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### Sally asks:

When should I get started with MIPS reporting for 2021?

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### George asks:

How do you select the right measures for your practice?

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