



The Physicians Advocacy Institute's
Medicare Quality Payment Program (QPP)
Physician Education Initiative

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Quality Payment Program

MEDICARE QPP PHYSICIAN EDUCATION INITIATIVE

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AAPM	Advanced Alternative Payment Model
ACA	Affordable Care Act
ACI	Advancing Care Information
ACO	Accountable Care Organization
AIPBP	All-Inclusive Population-Based Payment
AMA	American Medical Association
APM	Alternative Payment Model
BPCI	Bundled Payments for Care Improvement
CAH	Critical Access Hospital
CAHPS	Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
CCM	Chronic Care Management
CEC	Comprehensive End Stage Renal Disease Care Model
CEHRT	Certified Electronic Health Record Technology
CHIP	Children’s Health Insurance Program
CJR	Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model
CMF	Care Management Fee
CMMI	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
CNA	Certified Nurse Anesthetist
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist
CPC	Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative
CPC+	Comprehensive Primary Care Plus Model
CPCP	Comprehensive Primary Care Payment
CPT®	Current Procedural Terminology
CQDR	Clinical Quality Data Registry

CY	Calendar Year
EC	Eligible Clinician
ECQM	Electronic Clinical Quality Measure
EHR/EMR	Electronic Health Record / Electronic Medical Record
E&M	Evaluation and Management
ER/ED	Emergency Room / Emergency Department
ESCO	ESRD Seamless Care Organization
ESRD	End Stage Renal Disease
FFS	Fee-For-Service
FQHC	Federally Qualified Health Center
GPCI	Geographic Practice Cost Index
HCC	Hierarchical Condition Category
HCP LAN	Health Care Payment Learning and Action Network
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
HPSA	Health Professional Shortage Area
IPPS	Inpatient Prospective Payment System
IOM	Institute of Medicine
LDO	Large Dialysis Organization
MACRA	Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015
MEOS	Monthly Enhanced Oncology Services
MIPS	Merit-Based Incentive Payment System
MLR	Minimum Loss Rate
MPFS	Medicare Physician Fee Schedule
MSPB	Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary
MSR	Minimum Savings Rate
MSSP	Medicare Shared Savings Program
MU	Meaningful Use
MUA	Medically Underserved Area

Next Gen ACO	Next Generation Accountable Care Organization
NOIA	Notice of Intent to Apply
NP	Nurse Practitioner
NPI	National Provider Identifier
OCM	Oncology Care Model
ONC	Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
OPPS	Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System
PA	Physician Assistant
PAI	Physicians Advocacy Institute
PBIP	Performance-Based Incentive Payment
PBP	Performance-Based Payment or Population-Based Payment
PBPM	Per-Beneficiary-Per-Month
PCPI	Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement
PFFM	Physician-Focused Payment Model
PPS	Prospective Payment System
PQ	Partially Qualifying Advanced APM Participant
PQRS	Physician Quality Reporting System
PROM	Patient Reported Outcome Measure
PTAC	Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee
QCDR	Qualified Clinical Data Registry
QE	Qualified Entity
QIN-QIO	Quality Innovation Network - Quality Improvement Organization
QP	Qualifying Advanced APM Participant
QPP	Quality Payment Program

QR	Qualified Registry
QRUR	Quality and Resource Use Reports
RFA	Request for Applications
RFI	Request for Information
RHC	Rural Health Clinic
RUC	Relative Value Unit Update Committee
RVU	Relative Value Unit
SAN	Support & Alignment Network
SGR	Sustainable Growth Rate
SIM	State Innovation Model
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
TIN	Tax Identification Number
TCPI	Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative
VM	Value-Based Payment Modifier