

Small Practice (15 providers or fewer)

Based on your desired outcome of avoiding the penalty, achieving a minimal incentive, or getting the maximum incentive use the chart below to determine what you must report in each MIPS category to get the score needed. NOTE, MACRA includes all payers, not only Medicare if you are reporting via registry or EHR.

2021 MIPS Reporting Options

INSTRUCTIONS <i>Report the requirements in each category to achieve the points needed for the desired outcome.</i>	QUALITY (40%) <i>*Note, 6 bonus points are automatically added to the numerator for small practice</i>		IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITY (15%) <i>*Note, must be engaged in activity for minimum 90 consecutive days: last day to begin is Oct 3, 2021.</i>	PROMOTING INTEROPERABILITY (PI) (25%) <i>*Note must be engaged in activity for minimum 90 consecutive days; last day to begin is Oct 3, 2021. **Note, can claim an exclusion if appropriate.</i>	COST (20%) <i>*Dermatologists may be exempt from this category. If so, 20% will be re-weighted to quality.</i>	Total Points Achieved
	Report via claims or DataDerm		Report via DataDerm	Report via DataDerm	N/A	
AVOID 9% PENALTY: (60 POINTS MINIMUM)	WITHOUT AN EHR	Apply and be approved for an EHR exemption to reweight the PI category to quality (making the quality category 65% of the overall MIPS score) then report 6 measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points for all eligible encounters for the full year between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021 (65 points)	Not required for this reporting option.	Find EHR exemption application here: https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/exception-applications	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	65 points
	WITH AN EHR	Report 3 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021 (24 points)	Attest to 1 high-weighted improvement activity such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** (<i>DataDerm</i>) (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	64 points
ACHIEVE MINIMAL INCENTIVE: (61– 84 POINTS) <i>* Note, the higher your score, the higher your potential incentive</i>	WITHOUT AN EHR	Apply and be approved for an EHR exemption to reweight the PI category to quality (making the quality category 65% of the overall MIPS score) then report 5 measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points for all eligible encounters for the full year (between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021) (60.6 points)	Attest to 1 high-weighted improvement activity such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Find EHR exemption application here: https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/exception-applications	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	75.6 Points
	WITH AN EHR	Report 5 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021 (37.3 points)	Attest to 1 high-weighted improvement activity such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** (<i>DataDerm</i>) (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	77.3 points
ACHIEVE 9% MAXIMUM INCENTIVE: (85+ POINTS) <i>* Note, the higher your score (maximum 100 points), the higher your potential incentive</i>	WITHOUT AN EHR	Apply and be approved for an EHR exemption to reweight the PI category to quality (making the quality category 65% of the overall MIPS score) then report 6 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points for all eligible encounters for the full year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021) AND report a bonus measure (ex. complex patient bonus measure – 5 points) (70 points)	Attest to 1 high-weighted improvement activity such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Find EHR exemption application here: https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/exception-applications	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	85 points
	WITH AN EHR	Report 6 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters for the full year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021) AND a bonus measure (ex. complex patient bonus measure – 5 points) (45 points)	Attest to 1 high-weighted improvement activity such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** (<i>DataDerm</i>) (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	85 points

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2021 MIPS Reporting Options

Large Practice (16 providers or more)

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	Report via claims or DataDerm		Report via DataDerm	Report via DataDerm	N/A	
AVOID 9% PENALTY: (60 POINTS MINIMUM)	WITHOUT AN EHR	Not achievable without an EHR and high enough score in cost category.				N/A
	WITH AN EHR	Report 3 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021 (20 points)	Attest to 2 high-weighted improvement activities such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** <i>(DataDerm)</i> (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	60 points
ACHIEVE MINIMAL INCENTIVE: (61– 84 POINTS) <i>* Note, the higher your score, the higher your potential incentive</i>	WITHOUT AN EHR	Not achievable without an EHR and high enough score in cost category				N/A
	WITH AN EHR	Report 4 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021 (26.6 points)	Attest to 2 high-weighted improvement activities such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** <i>(DataDerm)</i> (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	66.6 points
ACHIEVE 9% MAXIMUM INCENTIVE: (85+ POINTS) <i>* Note, the higher your score (maximum 100 points), the higher your potential incentive</i>	WITHOUT AN EHR	Not achievable without an EHR and high enough score in cost category.				N/A
	WITH AN EHR	Report 6 quality measures that can achieve a maximum of 10 points each for all eligible encounters for the full year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021) AND a bonus measure (ex. complex patient bonus measure– 5 points) (45 points)	Attest to 2 high-weighted improvement activities such as reporting through DataDerm (for a minimum of 90-consecutive days between Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021) (15 points)	Report a total of 5 or 6 PI measures selecting from each of the 4 objectives for all eligible encounters between Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e-Prescribing: PI_EP_1** <i>Additional bonus measure available for e-Prescribing</i> Health Information Exchange: PI_HIE_1** AND PI_HIE_4** OR PI_HIE_5 Provider to Patient Exchange: PI_PEA_1 Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange: PI_PHCDRR_4** AND PI_PHCDRR_5** <i>(DataDerm)</i> (25 points)	If applicable, CMS will automatically assess and add to final MIPS score. If not, the cost category weight will be re-weighted to the quality category.	85 points

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