

MIPS Performance Categories

Cost

Recognizing the limitations of current cost measures, CMS has decided to zero out this category for 2017. As such, cost measure data will not contribute to a clinician's MIPS score or impact payments in 2019. However, CMS will continue to calculate these measures automatically from claims data and provide confidential feedback to clinicians on their performance.

2017 cost performance will be measured using the following measures adopted under the Value Modifier and featured in previous Supplemental Quality and Resource Use Reports (QRURs):

- Total per Capita Costs for All Attributed Beneficiaries measure
- Medicare Spending per Beneficiary (MSPB) measure
- 10 procedural episode-based measures, none of which are directly relevant to HPM.

While it is unclear how CMS will treat this category in the 2018 performance year, CMS is mandated to weight it at 30% of the total MIPS score in 2019 and beyond. Therefore, it is important that HPM clinicians closely track their cost performance data.