



# Understanding Your MIPS Reporting Options

Reporting Options for Pathologists	Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR)	Medicare Part B Claims-Based Reporting	Qualified Registry
<b>Features/Capabilities</b>			
Definition	A Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)-approved QCDR is an entity that collects clinical data from MIPS eligible clinicians (both individual and groups) and submits it to CMS on their behalf for purposes of MIPS. <sup>1</sup>	With claims-based reporting, measures reporting is tied to clinical practice reported on claims with CPT codes that link to measures.  Data submission must be done at the time the claim is submitted and is the responsibility of the eligible professional or group practice themselves or your billing company may offer this service for an extra fee <sup>2</sup> .	A qualified registry is a CMS-approved entity that collects clinical data from MIPS eligible clinicians (both individual and groups) and submits it to CMS on their behalf for purposes of MIPS. <sup>1</sup>
MIPS Quality measures available for specialty	✓	✓  Note: If you report quality by claims and your claim is denied, your MIPS reporting for that claim also fail	✓
Additional QCDR-specific measures available for reporting under MIPS	✓	✗	✗
Supports MIPS Group Reporting Option	✓	✗	✓
Patient Applicability for MIPS reporting	✓  All applicable patients across all payers	⚠  Medicare Patients only	✓  All applicable patients across all payers
Supports reporting for all MIPS categories applicable to pathologists	✓	✗	✓
Quarterly Benchmarking for Performance Improvement	✓	✗	✓
Eligible Measure Applicability (EMA) Process for Quality Category*	N/A	✓	✓
MIPS Reporting Recommendations	✓  Registry dependent	⚠  CMS Help Desk	⚠  Registry dependent
MIPS Composite Score Estimation	⚠  Registry dependent	✗	⚠  Registry dependent

CMS Web Interface is a reporting option or mechanism only available to groups with 25 or more eligible clinicians. For detailed information on MIPS group reporting visit <http://qpp.cms.gov/>.

1. Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS): 2017 CMS-Approved Qualified Clinical Data Registries (QCDRs); 2017 CMS-Approved Qualified Registries

2. <https://www.webpt.com/blog/post/registry-vs-claims-based-reporting-pqrs-pqri>

\*Eligible Measure Applicability (EMA) process: The EMA methodology replaces the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) measure applicability validation (MAV) process. CMS will apply the EMA methodology to determine the number of measures a physician should have reported on when they reported on less than the required six quality measures in the quality category of MIPS.