



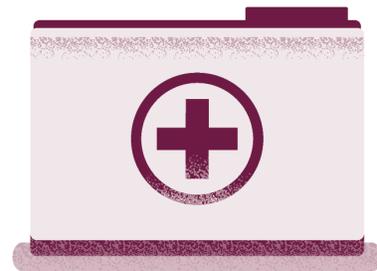
# MIPS/MACRA Consulting

Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) and the Medicare Access and CHIP Re-authorization Act (MACRA) consists of a vast variety of ever-changing regulations. For MIPS requirements, eligible clinicians and groups must report six measures, including one outcome-based measure. If an outcome measure is not available, one other high-priority measure (e.g., appropriate use, patient safety, efficiency, care coordination, patient experience) must be reported. Recently, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released its final rule governing the Medicare Quality Payment Program. This program enacted under MACRA will affect participating physicians' payments in 2020.

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ACR Consulting Services has built long-standing partnerships with some of the most respected subject matter experts regarding the MACRA, MIPS, and APM programs under Medicare. This allows us to pair physician practices with the customized solutions best suited to meet their particular needs.

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Many providers simply do not have the time to master the rules surrounding MIPS and MACRA, which could lead to penalties for not complying with the government guidelines. MACRA's will start to impact payments in 2019. These Medicare payment bonuses and penalties start at +/- 4% in 2019 and rise to +/- 5%, 7%, and 9% each following year. Even with the relaxed submission requirement for 2019, many providers are unprepared for the transition to MIPS. As reported by a 2016 Deloitte survey of US Physicians, 50% say they have never heard of the law. Low clinician awareness and poor preparation for MACRA has become a critical issue in replacing the older fee-for-service payment models with a value-based reimbursement program.

ACR Consulting Services experts reduce the administrative cost of participating in MIPS and help providers improve performance in order to maximize their payment adjustment. We continuously monitor and help improve our clients' MIPS performance. We simplify the rules surrounding MIPS and MACRA to help you achieve industry standards and assure that your organization is poised and ready for all future changes to the regulatory landscape.

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