

Are you ready for MACRA?

Even though the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) regulations won't be finalized until fall of 2016, taking action now will help position your organization for success. Use this checklist as a guide as you begin developing your own value-based reimbursement strategy.

1. Structure Your Team, Resources and Timeline

- Quality Measures
 - Did your physician practice or group submit for PQRS in 2016 and or prior years?
 - If yes, are you aware of your performance scores?
 - If no, why not? Are you (NPI) or your group (TIN) PQRS eligible?
 - If you are both eligible but did not submit in past years, please contact nThrive ASAP for assistance. Getting your PQRS ducks lined up this year will greatly help you manage your Quality score in 2017.
 - Do you currently capture CPT II, ICD-10, AND G & F quality action billing codes in your EHR?

2. Advancing Care Information

- Did you submit for Meaningful Use (MU) in 2016 and or prior years?
 - If no, why not? Do you currently use approved EHR technology for your medical records?
- Does your EHR meet MIPS 2017 "CEHRT" requirements?
 - Is the data secure?
 - Does your EHR allow for patient engagement and or patient accessible reporting?
 - If not, do you have 3rd party software to make this information available?
- What are your current policies, read technologies, for coordinated care and information sharing?

** If you're not familiar with MIPS ACI requirements or would like a performance/compliance audit, please contact mips-assist@equationhealth.com.*

3. Clinical Practice Improvement Activities

- Is your practice a qualified Medical Home, Patient-centered Medical Home, or comparable specialty practice?
- Are you or your practice group positioned to improve in any or all of the following areas:
 - Expanded Practice Access
 - Population Management
 - Care Coordination
 - Beneficiary Engagement
 - Patient Safety and Practice Assessment

** For a list of activities, please see www.equationhealth.com/appendixB.*

4. Develop a MIPS CPS Monitoring and Reporting Strategy

Determine your ability to:

- Map all of your disparate health care datasets billed under the same TIN into one dataset
- Provide the ability to benchmark quality, technology, and costs (resource use)
- Provide real-time visibility that allows you to make operational adjustments along the way
 - This will help you to optimize your practice's performance
 - This will also help you determine your best path to success, i.e. highest MIPS CPS, through the varied scoring channels.

We realize the transition to MACRA is complicated and we are here to help. Join us for our [educational webinars](#) or contact us directly for a complimentary strategy discussion geared towards your individual group or practice's situation.