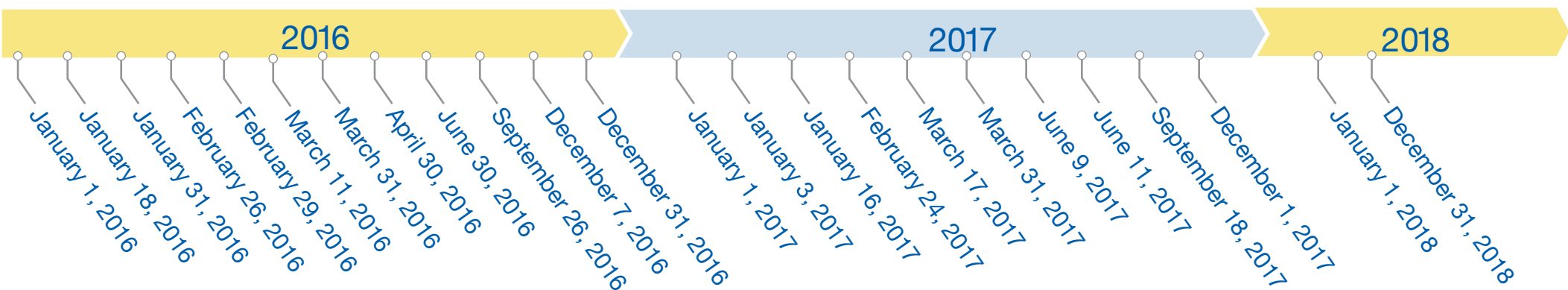


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### TIMELINE

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2016	DATE	MILESTONES	RESOURCES
	January 1, 2016	<p>Reporting for the 2016 PQRS program year begins for both group practices and individuals (Note: 2016 program year data will determine the 2018 payment adjustment)</p> <p>First day to submit 2015 PQRS data using registry, EHR, or QCDR</p> <p>Payment adjustments begin for both group practices and individuals who did not satisfactorily report quality data to CMS in 2014</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “How to Report Once for 2016 Medicare Quality Reporting Programs” on the <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	January 18, 2016	2015 GPRO Web Interface submission period begins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	January 31, 2016	Self-nomination deadline for QCDRs and Registry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	February 26, 2016	Last day that 2015 claims will be processed to be counted for PQRS reporting to determine the 2017 payment adjustment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “2015 PQRS: Claims Reporting Made Simple” on the <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	February 29, 2016	Last day to submit 2015 CQMs for dual participation in PQRS and the Medicare EHR Incentive Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 CQM Reporting Options webpage</a></li> </ul>
	March 11, 2016	<p>2015 GPRO Web Interface submission period ends</p> <p>Last day for QCDRs (QRDA) and EHRs to submit 2015 data</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>

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DATE	MILESTONES	RESOURCES
March 31, 2016	Last day for QCDRs (QCDR XML only) and registries to submit 2015 data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
April 30, 2016	QCDRs must post 2015 quality measure data as directed by MPFS final rule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “2015 QCDR Participation Made Simple” on the <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
June 30, 2016	Last day to register through the PV-PQRS Registration System to participate in 2016 PQRS via GPRO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “2016 PQRS GPRO Registration Quick Reference Guide” on the <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
September 26, 2016	EPs and group practices who participated in 2015 PQRS can begin requesting an informal review of their 2015 PQRS results and 2017 downward payment adjustment determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
December 7, 2016	Last day for EPs and group practices to request an informal review of their 2015 PQRS results and 2017 downward payment adjustment determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
December 31, 2016	Reporting for the 2016 PQRS program year ends for both group practices and individuals (Note: 2016 program year data will determine the 2018 payment adjustment)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Payment Adjustment Information webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>

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2017	DATE	MILESTONES	RESOURCES
	January 1, 2017	Payment adjustments begin for both group practices and individuals who did not satisfactorily report quality data to CMS in 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	January 3, 2017	First day to submit 2016 PQRS data using registry, EHR, or QCDR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	January 16, 2017	First day of 2016 GPRO Web Interface submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	February 24, 2017	Last day that 2016 claims will be processed to be counted for PQRS reporting to determine the 2018 payment adjustment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	March 17, 2017	Last day for GPRO Web Interface submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	March 31, 2017	Last day to submit 2016 CQMs for dual participation in PQRS and the Medicare EHR Incentive Program  Last day for QCDRs (QRDA) and EHRs to submit 2016 data  Last day for 2016 QCDRs (XML only) and registries to submit 2016 data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Medicare EHR Incentive Programs webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>

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2017	DATE	MILESTONES	RESOURCES
	June 9, 2017	CMS releases summary on the historical reporting experience of EPs and group practices in PQRS through program year 2015 as well as preliminary PQRS data for the 2016 program year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “2015 Reporting Experience, Including Trends (2007-2016)” on the <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> </ul>
	July 11, 2017	New PQRS to Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) transition resource document available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Transitioning from the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) to the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Resource Document” on the <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> </ul>
	September 18, 2017	EPs and group practices who participated in 2016 PQRS can begin requesting an informal review of their 2016 PQRS results and 2018 downward payment adjustment determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Quick Reference Guide for Accessing 2016 PQRS Feedback Reports”</li> <li>• “Quick Access Guide for the 2016 PQRS Feedback Reports”</li> <li>• “2016 PQRS Feedback Report User Guide”</li> <li>• “2016 PQRS: 2018 PQRS Downward Payment Adjustment - Informal Review Made Simple”</li> <li>• “2016 PQRS Feedback Report Resource Sheet”</li> <li>• All resources can be found on the <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> </ul>
	December 1, 2017	Last day for EPs and group practices to request an informal review of their 2016 PQRS results and 2018 downward payment adjustment determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Payment Adjustment Information webpage</a></li> </ul>

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2018	DATE	MILESTONES	RESOURCES
	January 1, 2018	Payment adjustments begin for both group practices and individuals who did not satisfactorily report quality data to CMS in 2016.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Analysis and Payment webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">PQRS Payment Adjustment Information webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Physician Quality Reporting System webpage</a></li> </ul>
	December 31, 2018	The final day of PQRS. PQRS has transitioned to the Quality Payment Program under the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Quality Payment Program website</a></li> </ul>

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