

Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS)

CMS-Selected Group Practice Reporting Option (GPRO)

Program Year 2012

Monthly Support Call

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Agenda



- ◆ Welcome
- ◆ Review of PQRS GPRO Participation
- ◆ Review of GPRO Timeline

Reminders



- ◆ Monthly Support Calls are mandatory for each GPRO
 - ◆ Slides from previous support calls are posted under the Downloads section on the CMS website in the zip titled "2012 Physician Quality Reporting CMS-Selected GPRO Training Materials": http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/PQRS/CMS-Selected-Group_Practice_Reporting_Option.html
- ◆ Submit your questions through the QualityNet Help Desk (see Slide 28 for contact information)
- ◆ The 2013 Proposed Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) Rule is now in public comment period and includes proposed GPRO changes for 2013
 - ◆ <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/07/30/2012-16814/medicare-program-revisions-to-payment-policies-under-the-physician-fee-schedule-dme-face-to-face>

2012 GPRO Participation Overview

2012 GPRO Participation Options



◆ GPRO participation options

- ◆ Physician Quality Reporting only
- ◆ Physician Quality Reporting and Electronic Prescribing (eRx) Incentive Program

◆ Note: We will only review PQRS today. We will review eRx GPRO during the September support call.

◆ GPRO categories

- ◆ Large GPRO: 100+ providers
- ◆ Small GPRO: 25-99 providers

2012 GPRO Measures



◆ 29 measures

◆ 6 disease modules

- ◆ Diabetes Mellitus (DM), 8 measures
- ◆ Heart Failure (HF), 5 measures
- ◆ Coronary Artery Disease (CAD), 3 measures
- ◆ Hypertension (HTN), 1 measure
- ◆ Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), 1 measure
- ◆ Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD), 2 measures

◆ 2 patient care modules (individually sampled measures)

- ◆ Care Coordination/Patient Safety (CARE), 2 measures
- ◆ Preventive Care (PREV), 7 measures

GPRO Web Interface



- ◆ GPROs will have access to a partially pre-populated database early in 2013
- ◆ Group practice will populate the remaining data fields via the Web Interface
 - ◆ The GPRO will have approximately eight weeks to complete the measure information for their sample
 - ◆ GPROs may export (via XML) their beneficiary list in order to assist with chart abstraction
 - ◆ XML specifications will be distributed at a later date.

Satisfactorily Reporting

◆ Large GPROs

- ◆ Report all GPRO measures
- ◆ Group will receive a sample of 616 beneficiaries per module/patient care measure
- ◆ Complete data for the first 411 consecutively ranked and assigned beneficiaries per module/patient care measure
- ◆ Complete for 100% of beneficiaries if there are < 411 in the sample

◆ Small GPROs

- ◆ Report all GPRO measures
- ◆ Group will receive a sample of 327 beneficiaries per module/patient care measure
- ◆ Complete data for the first 218 consecutively ranked and assigned beneficiaries per module/patient care measure
- ◆ Complete for 100% of beneficiaries if there are < 218 in the sample

Narrative Specifications and Supporting Documents



- ◆ Narrative Specifications allow group practices an opportunity to review each of the 29 quality measures included in 2012 GPRO
- ◆ Supporting documents were distributed prior to and reviewed during the July Monthly Support Call
 - ◆ Will soon be posted on CMS' website
- ◆ Narrative Specifications/Measures List are posted under the Downloads section on the CMS website in the zip titled "2012 Physician Quality Reporting GPRO Measure Specifications and Release Notes":
http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/PQRS/CMS-Selected-Group_Practice_Reporting_Option.html

2012 Incentive



- ◆ CMS-selected groups that satisfactorily report data on PQRS quality measures are eligible to receive an incentive equal to **0.5 percent** of the total estimated Medicare Part B PFS allowed charges for all covered professional services furnished the group practice during the applicable reporting period
- ◆ An individual eligible professional who is a member of a group practice selected to participate in Physician Quality Reporting GPRO is not eligible to separately earn a Physician Quality Reporting incentive payment as an individual eligible professional under that same tax identification number (TIN) (that is, for the same TIN/National Provider Identifier [NPI] combination)

Future Incentives and Payment Adjustments



- ◆ For 2013 and 2014, CMS-selected groups that satisfactorily report data on PQRS quality measures are eligible to receive an incentive equal to **0.5 percent** of the total estimated Medicare Part B PFS allowed charges for all covered professional services furnished by the group practice during the applicable reporting period
- ◆ Beginning in 2015, if a group practice does not satisfactorily report PQRS, a 1.5% payment adjustment will apply
 - ◆ To avoid the 2015 payment adjustment, a group practice must satisfactorily report PQRS during the 2013 reporting period

2012 Public Reporting



◆ Public Reporting on Physician Compare web site <http://www.medicare.gov/find-a-doctor/provider-search.aspx>

- ◆ Names of PQRS GPROs who satisfactorily report Physician Quality Measures
- ◆ Performance rates for PQRS GPRO measures
- ◆ Names of GPROs who successfully report the eRx measure for the Electronic Prescribing Incentive Program

2012 GPRO Timeline Overview

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◆ August

- ◆ Tentative CMS maintenance weekend:
Friday, 8/17, 8 p.m. ET – Monday, 8/20,
6 a.m. ET

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



◆ September

◆ 09/5/12 Monthly Support Call

◆ Review of eRx GPRO

◆ This call is not required for those GPROs who are not participating in eRx GPRO.

◆ Tentative CMS maintenance weekend: Friday, 9/21, 8 p.m. ET – Monday, 9/24, 6 a.m. ET

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



◆ October

- ◆ 10/10/12 Monthly Support Call
 - ◆ Training on Individuals Authorized Access to CMS Computer Services (IACS) accounts
- ◆ Tentative CMS maintenance weekend:
Friday, 10/19, 8 p.m. ET – Monday,
10/22, 6 a.m. ET
- ◆ 10/29/12 Claims processed through this date will be utilized for GPRO sampling, beneficiary assignment and Web Interface data population

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



◆ November

◆ 11/14/12 Monthly Support Call

◆ XML training

◆ Tentative CMS maintenance weekend:
Friday, 11/16, 8 p.m. ET – Monday,
11/19, 6 a.m. ET

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



◆ December

- ◆ 12/5/12 Monthly Support Call
 - ◆ Review of 2013 PFS Rule and 2013 self-nomination process
- ◆ Tentative CMS maintenance weekend:
Friday, 12/21, 8 p.m. ET – Monday,
12/24, 6 a.m. ET
- ◆ Obtain IACS accounts

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



◆ January 2013

- ◆ 1/16/13 Monthly Support Call
 - ◆ Training on the GPRO Web Interface
 - ◆ Scheduled for 2 hours
- ◆ Sampling and Assignment in-process

2012 GPRO Timeline (cont)



- ◆ February 2013
 - ◆ 2/6/13 Monthly Support Call
 - ◆ Review of 2012 Submission

Summary of Upcoming Support Calls



- ◆ September 5, 2012, 3-4 pm ET
- ◆ October 10, 2012, 3-4 pm ET
- ◆ November 14, 2012, 3-4 pm ET
- ◆ December 5, 2012, 3-4 pm ET
- ◆ January 16, 2013, 3-5 pm ET
- ◆ February 6, 2013, 3-4 pm ET

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CMS-Selected Group Practice Reporting Option

In accordance with section 1848(m)(3)(C) of the Social Security Act (the Act), CMS created a new group practice reporting option (GPRO) for the Physician Quality Reporting System in 2010. Group practices that satisfactorily report data on Physician Quality Reporting System measures for a particular reporting period are eligible to earn a Physician Quality Reporting System incentive payment equal to a specified percentage of the group practice's total estimated Medicare Part B PFS allowed charges for covered professional services furnished during the reporting period.

2012 Physician Quality Reporting System CMS-Selected GPRO Name Change

Beginning in 2012 the Physician Quality Reporting System GPRO will be referred to as Physician Quality Reporting System CMS-Selected GPRO.

2012 Physician Quality Reporting System CMS-Selected GPRO Training Materials

CMS-selected group practices that are participating in the 2012 Physician Quality Reporting System GPRO are required to take part in mandatory training. The slide presentations used as training documents for these CMS-selected group practices and supporting documents will be posted in the "Downloads" section below. These documents can be found in the zip file titled "2012 CMS-Selected Physician Quality Reporting System GPRO Training Materials"

2012 Physician Quality Reporting System CMS-Selected GPRO Requirements

If You Still Have Questions...



◆ QualityNet Help Desk

- ◆ Monday – Friday: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm CT
 - ◆ E-mail: qnetsupport@sdps.org
 - ◆ Phone: (866) 288-8912 (TTY 1-877-715-6222)
 - ◆ Fax: (888) 329-7377
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- ◆ When calling the QualityNet Help Desk, please identify yourself as a 2012 GPRO participant
 - ◆ Tickets may be escalated to the appropriate Tier in order to assist you