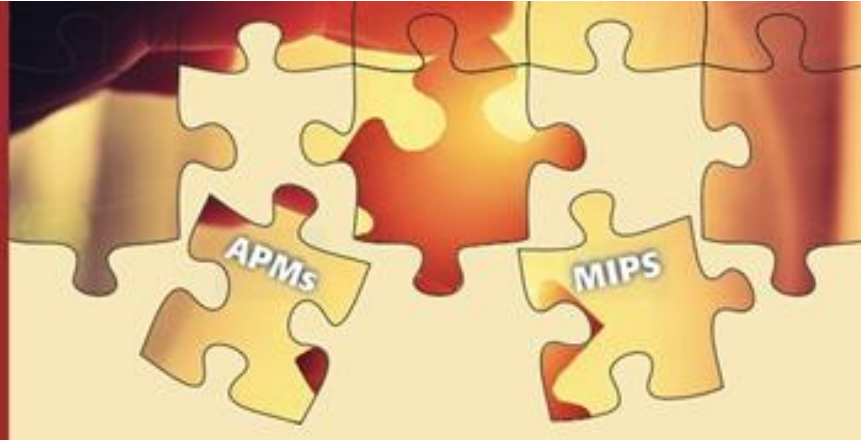




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Preparing for MACRA? Use ASGE's Readiness Checklist to Stay Ahead of the Curve

1) *Know the rules of MACRA. Understand the basics and the impact on your practice.*

- **Online Resources:**

- Visit ASGE's [MACRA Implementation Resource Center](#) for an overview of the new Medicare Quality payment programs. Access fact sheets, category summaries, charts, articles and other resources.

- **Recorded ASGE Webinars:**

- [MACRA Basics: The New Medicare Quality Payment Program](#)
- [The Merit-Based Incentive Payment System: Understanding the Rules for Successful Participation in 2017](#)

- **ASGE Courses:**

- *GI Outlook 2017: The Practice Management Conference* (Aug. 11–13, Hollywood, CA)
- *PM 101: GI Practice Management Essentials* (Sept. 8, Baltimore, MD)
- *ASGE's Practice Management Trifecta* (Nov. 16–19, Downers Grove, IL)

2) *Are you MIPS Exempt through one of the following?*

- \$30,000 in Medicare Part B allowed charges per year.
- 100 Medicare patients per year.
- This is your first year within Medicare.

3) *Choose a [Pick your Pace Option](#) for 2017 reporting:*

- Testing
- Partial Participation
- Full Participation
- Participate in an APM

4) *How will you report?*

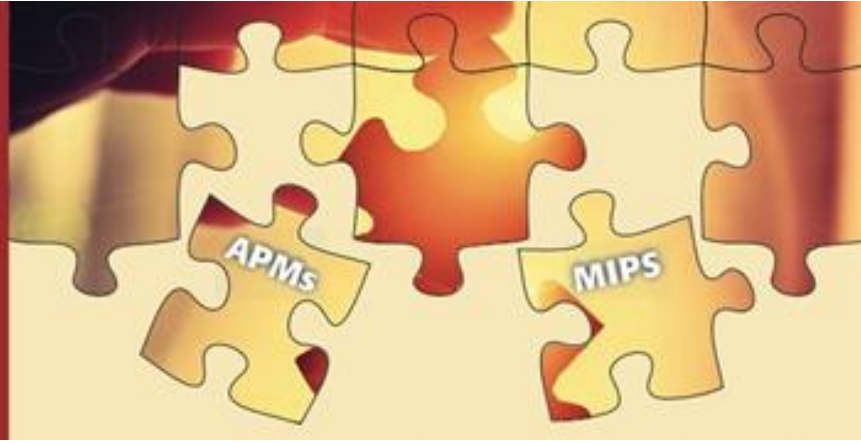
- Claims (**Quality category only**)
- Qualified Registry
- Qualified Clinical Data Registry
- Electronic Health Record (EHR)
- Attestation (**Advancing Care, Improvement Activities categories only**)
- CMS Web Interface (Groups of 25+ only)

5) *Sign up for [GIQuIC](#)*

- The GIQuIC registry, founded by the ASGE and the American College of Gastroenterology, has been approved as a QCDR for the 2014-2016 reporting years and has self-nominated for the 2017 reporting year.



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6) **Fulfill the MIPS Improvement Activities Performance Category Through the Following [ASGE Programs](#):**

GI Operations Benchmarking Platform

- IA_PSPA_17: Assisting practices identify analytic capabilities to manage the total cost of care for practice populations.

Endoscopy Unit Recognition Program (EURP)

- IA_PSPA_19: Implementation of formal quality improvement methods, practice changes or other practice improvement processes.

Skills Training Assessment Reinforcement (STAR) Certificate Programs

- IA_PSPA_3: Participate in IHI Training/Forum Event; National Academy of Medicine, AHRQ Team STEPPS(R) or other similar activity.

Screening Colonoscopy Performance Improvement Module (PIM)

- IA_PSPA_2: Participation in MOC Part IV.

GIQuIC Qualified Clinical Data Registry-Related Activities

- There are a number of Improvement Activities for those participating in the [GIQuIC](#) Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR).

7) **Assess your EHR's Readiness and ask your vendor the following questions:**

- Will your EHR system be ready to meet all relevant MIPS reporting requirements?
- If your EHR does not meet the 2015 Edition Certification criteria, has your EHR vendor provided you with a plan on how it will meet these standards by January 1, 2018?
- Does your EHR vendor have a plan to train clinicians and practice staff?

8) **Participate in PQRS for 2016**

- Gain familiarity with Medicare quality reporting and avoid a penalty for 2016. If new to PQRS, follow the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) [2016 Implementation Guide](#).

9) **Review your CMS Quality Resource and Use Report (QRUR)**

- QRUR reports provide information on physician performance to physicians participating in Medicare in order to better understand the quality and efficiency of care provided to beneficiaries. Review your mid-year and annual reports [here](#).

10) **Determine if you are participating through an APM**

- Most gastroenterologists will report through MIPS for 2017. Please read ASGE's APM fact sheet for more information on 2017 APM participation and requirements.