



# NACOR News

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## Submit all measures under MIPS

Last year AQI helped practices choose their best nine measures for PQRS because reporting more than nine measures could have adversely affected the Value Modifier. For 2017 MIPS reporting, **this is no longer true**. Reporting more than the required six measures may benefit your group if you report more than one outcome measure or high priority measure. CMS will choose the best six measures and evaluate any additional measures appropriately to achieve the best score for the MIPS Quality Component based on data submitted. For more information, refer to the [MIPS Scoring 101 Guide](#).

## February 15 quality reporting deadlines approaching

The deadline for the following quality reporting components is Thursday, February 15.

- Selecting a 90-day reporting period in the NACOR dashboard. Click [here](#) for instructions.
- Reconciling provider lists and ensuring all NPIs are assigned the proper provider type (MD-Anesthesia, CRNA, DO, AA, SRNA, Resident, etc.).
- Attesting to 2017 Improvement Activities. In this [step-by-step tutorial](#), clinicians learn how to select the Improvement Activity to which they will attest.
- December 2017 data submissions

## Review your NACOR dashboard

Reviewing your 2017 quality reports in the [NACOR dashboard](#) will help identify measure gaps and monitor providers' performances in meeting 2017 reporting requirements. Corrected data files for December must be submitted by February 15. Data for January through November was due January 31. For more information, email [askaqi@asahq.org](mailto:askaqi@asahq.org).

## Quality reporting consent submissions due February 28

Eligible clinicians (ECs) who are enrolled in 2017 individual quality reporting must return paper or electronic consent forms by Wednesday, February 28, as required by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). CMS prohibits submission of data on behalf of an EC unless an individual consent form is completed. AQI's NACOR **will not** be able to submit 2017 MIPS quality reporting data if the consent form is not completed by February 28. For consent information, email [Margaret Bussan](#).

## Quality reporting reconciliation process underway

AQI staff has started the quality reporting reconciliation process for practices, in which AQI compares the Eligible Clinician (EC) types reported on a practice's order form with information contained in a practice's data file.

For each data file submitted, AQI confirms the membership status of each EC to determine if s/he is eligible to receive the ASA member benefit rate for NACOR Quality Reporting. AQI then counts the number of all EC categories (i.e., ASA Member and non-member physician anesthesiologists, ASA Educational Member and non-member care team staff, and ASA Educational Member and non-member Independent CRNAs) and compares them to information provided in the practice's order form.

A practice will receive an invoice, if applicable, for the difference between the numbers provided on the original orders and data submitted to AQI. Payments must be received by March 16, 2018.

## 2017 NACOR Quality Reporting Deadlines

<b>02/15/2018</b>	All Data Submissions; In NACOR Dashboard: CMS Opt-Out TIN/NPI Reconciliation Improvement Activity Attestation
<b>02/28/2018</b>	Individual Quality Reporting Consent Submission
<b>03/16/2018</b>	If a practice does not pay its final invoice in full by this date, the practice's data may not be submitted to CMS.