Quality Reporting Office Hours

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Agenda

QRA

- CMS Announcements:
  - 2019 MIPS Final Scores Released
  - 2021 QPP Proposed Rule Released
- QRA Updates
  - In Progress: 2021 QCDR Self-Nomination Period

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- Provider Lists (JA)
  - Unknown Provider Types
  - Submit to CMS Checkbox
- Individual Reporting Consents (JA)
- Data Validation Emails add the screenshots into a slide (JA)
- FTP Access
- Improvement Activity for Group Reporting
- MIPS 076

Quality and Regulatory Affairs Update

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CMS Announcements

2019 MIPS Final Scores Released

- Performance feedback summary includes important information about your scores.
- MIPS ECs and groups are encouraged to review this information.
- If you feel there is a discrepancy in the feedback summary, you can submit a targeted review by **October 5, 2020 at 8:00 pm ET**

https://qpp.cms.gov/

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CMS Announcements (cont.)

2021 QPP Proposed Rule Released:

CMS is proposing the following updates to MIPS in the 2021 proposed rule:

- Out of 100 MIPS points available, 40% will be allocated to Quality, 20% to Cost, 25% to Promoting Interoperability (formerly Advancing Care Information) and 15% to Improvement Activities.
- The proposed performance threshold for 2021 is 50 MIPS Total Points. Eligible Clinicians or practices who fail to participate, when required, or fail to meet the 50-point threshold, may incur up to a negative 9% payment adjustment in 2022.
- CMS proposed no changes to the MIPS Anesthesiology Measure Set.
- CMS has delayed the implementation of MIPS Value Pathways (MVPs) until the 2022 performance period.

Check the CMS QPP website for additional information: https://qpp.cms.gov/

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2021 QCDR Self-Nomination Period:

- The self-nomination period is open until September 1st
- Current set of QCDR measures PLUS four new measures that were developed during the 2019-2020 measure development period.
- The new measures can be reviewed here: https://www.asahq.org/standards-and-guidelines/resources-from-asa-committees (under Performance Outcomes and Measurement)
  - **Intraoperative Antibiotic Redosing**
  - **Perioperative Anemia Management**
  - **Ambulatory Glucose Management**
  - **Prevention of Arterial Line Related Bloodstream Infections**

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Contact Quality and Regulatory Affairs

- Questions and comments on quality measures and regulatory information (e.g. reporting requirements, CMS regulation) should be sent to Quality and Regulatory Affairs staff.

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Provider List Update

- Provider Status
  - Active
  - Inactive - Providers that are on a temporary leave and will be coming back to the practice
  - Remove- Providers that have retired or are no longer with the practice
- Provider Types
  - When reconciling your provider lists, make sure all NPIs are assigned the proper provider type (MD-Anesthesia, CRNA, DO, AA, SRNA, Resident, etc.).
  - In many instances Residents and SRNAs are being listed as “Other.” All providers with a provider type of “Other” will have their data submitted to CMS if enrolled in Quality Reporting.
  - Provider names are not submitted in the data so the names must be entered manually
- Please refer to this guide to audit your provider lists:
  - Updating Provider Lists on the NACOR Dashboard (PDF)

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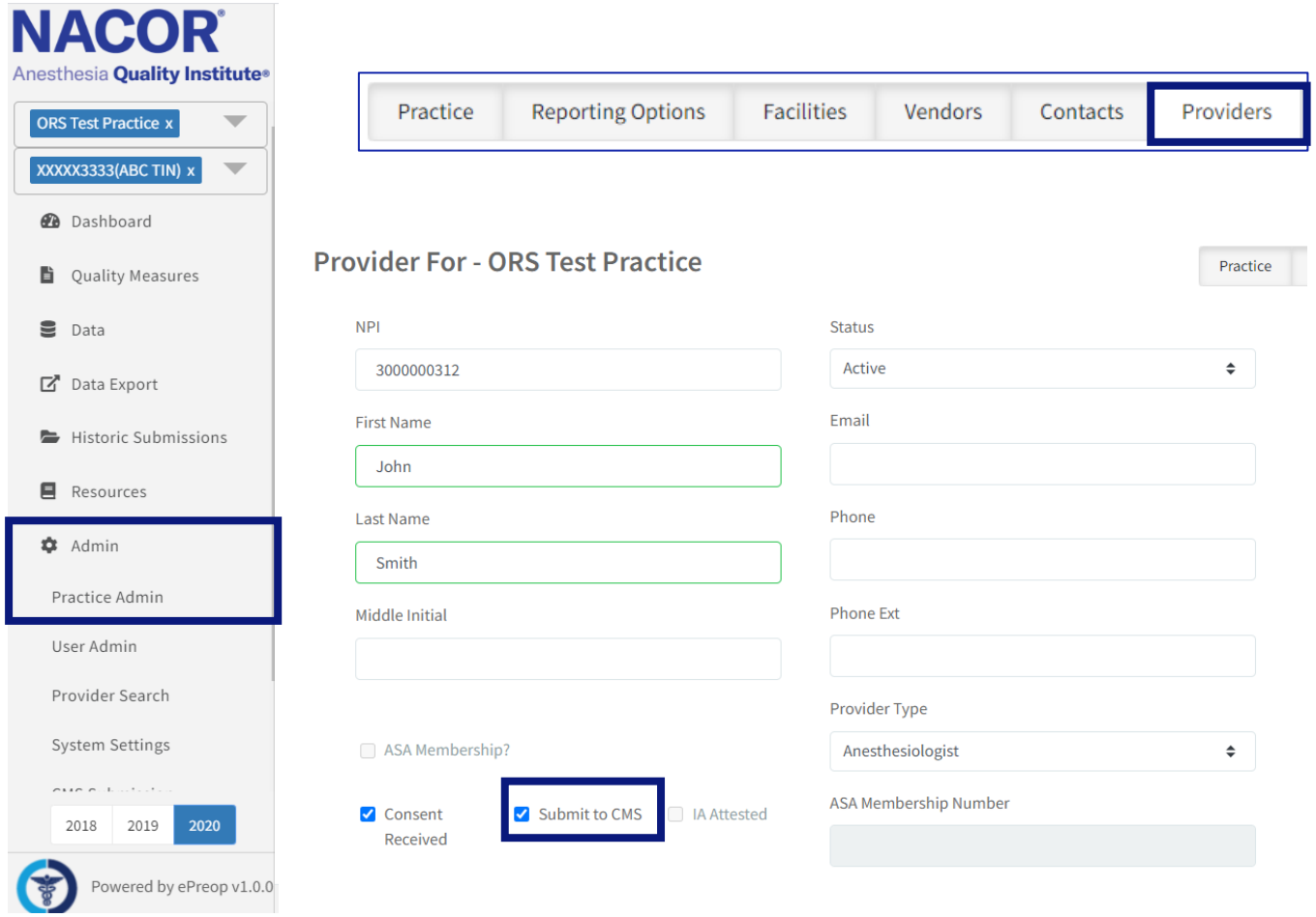
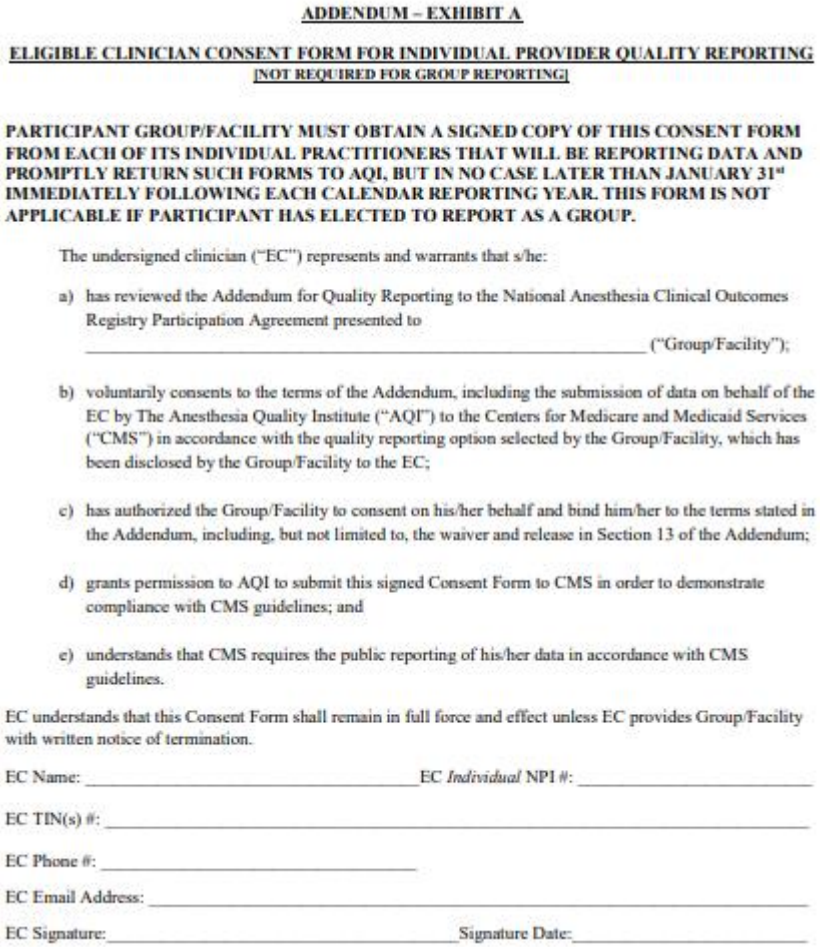
Provider List-Submit to CMS



- For practices that have chosen Individual Reporting **only,** will have to manually check the Submit to CMS check box for each provider that is individually reporting

Individual Reporting Consents

- For practices reporting as individuals AQI is now collecting provider consents.
- Consents with missing fields will not be processed
- 2020 Individual Quality Reporting Consent



ADDENDUM – EXHIBIT A

ELIGIBLE CLINICIAN CONSENT FORM FOR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDER QUALITY REPORTING
[NOT REQUIRED FOR GROUP REPORTING]

PARTICIPANT GROUP/FACILITY MUST OBTAIN A SIGNED COPY OF THIS CONSENT FORM FROM EACH OF ITS INDIVIDUAL PRACTITIONERS THAT WILL BE REPORTING DATA AND PROMPTLY RETURN SUCH FORMS TO AQI, BUT IN NO CASE LATER THAN JANUARY 31st IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EACH CALENDAR REPORTING YEAR. THIS FORM IS NOT APPLICABLE IF PARTICIPANT HAS ELECTED TO REPORT AS A GROUP.

The undersigned clinician ("EC") represents and warrants that s/he:

a) has reviewed the Addendum for Quality Reporting to the National Anesthesia Clinical Outcomes Registry Participation Agreement presented to _____ ("Group/Facility");

b) voluntarily consents to the terms of the Addendum, including the submission of data on behalf of the EC by The Anesthesia Quality Institute ("AQI") to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") in accordance with the quality reporting option selected by the Group/Facility, which has been disclosed by the Group/Facility to the EC;

c) has authorized the Group/Facility to consent on his/her behalf and bind him/her to the terms stated in the Addendum, including, but not limited to, the waiver and release in Section 13 of the Addendum;

d) grants permission to AQI to submit this signed Consent Form to CMS in order to demonstrate compliance with CMS guidelines; and

e) understands that CMS requires the public reporting of his/her data in accordance with CMS guidelines.

EC understands that this Consent Form shall remain in full force and effect unless EC provides Group/Facility with written notice of termination.

EC Name: _____ EC *Individual* NPI #: _____

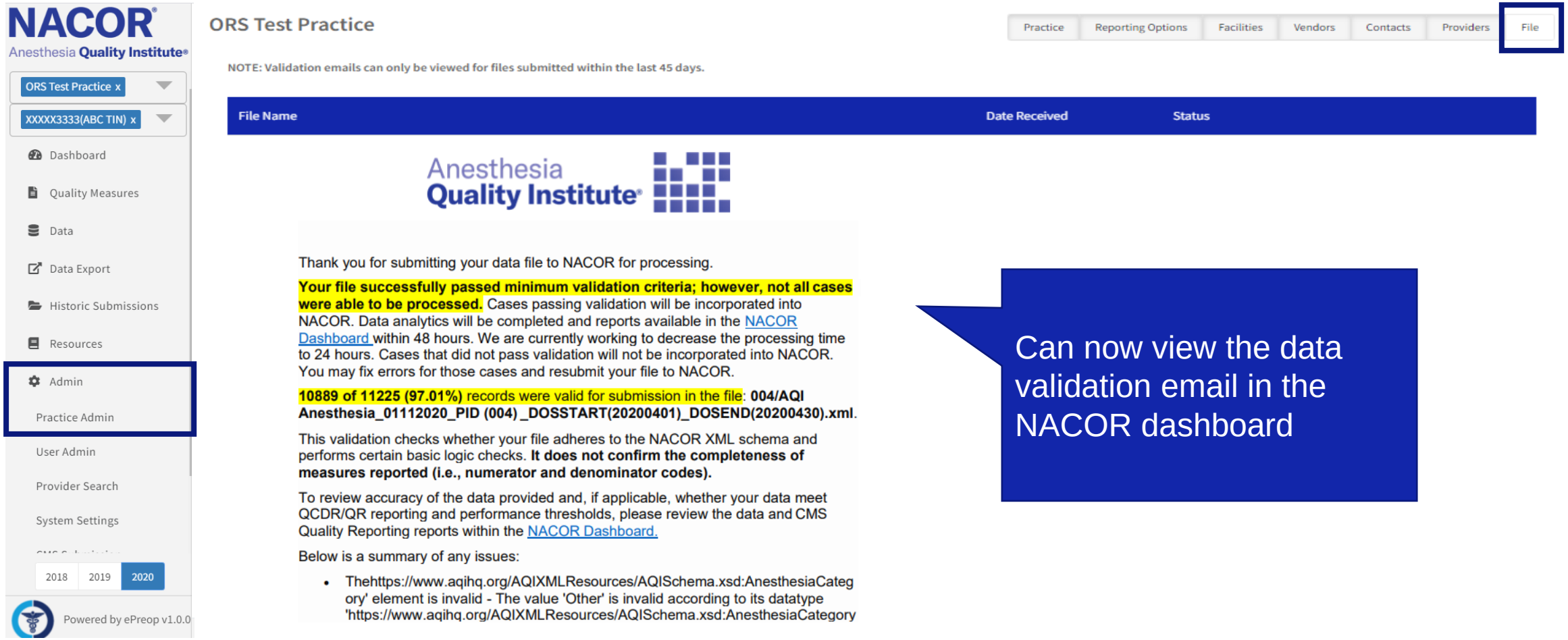
EC TIN(s) #: _____

EC Phone #: _____

EC Email Address: _____

EC Signature: _____ Signature Date: _____

Data Validation Email



FTP Access

- Datawarehouse updated security policy
- All FTP accounts will be disabled if no activity occurs within a 90-day window.
- To enable your account submit a help desk ticket to nacorsupport@asahq.org.
- ***No impact*** on user access for the NACOR dashboard

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Improvement Activity-Group Reporting

- For groups to attest to an activity **at least 50% of the clinicians** (in the group) must perform the same activity during any continuous 90-day period, or as specified in the activity description, within the same performance period
- ****NEW**:** This category will be audited for the 2020 MIPS reporting year
  - Practices should maintain a list of NPIs of the clinicians who performed the improvement activity for up to 6 years as well as documentation that the IA was completed.
    - Practices will be randomly selected and will need to provide a roster of clinicians who completed the IA to AQI.
    - Audits will take place in ***January or February 2021*** (must be completed before CMS Submission)
- IA attestation process will be updated in the NACOR dashboard – **more details to come!**

MIPS 076: Prevention of Central Venous Catheter (CVC)-Related Bloodstream Infections

- Reporting either one of these measures is intended for clinicians who attempt central venous cannulation insertions.
- From the *ASA CROSSWALK*: Anesthesiologists may report codes for diagnostic or therapeutic procedures in addition to the anesthesia code for the primary operative procedure. ***When an anesthesia provider administers anesthesia in support of procedures like an insertion of a central venous access device, the appropriate anesthesia code should be reported.***
  - Anesthesiologist ***places the line*** the surgical CPT should be placed in the <CPTValue> section of the xml data file
  - Anesthesiologist ***provides anesthesia for the line*** placement the anesthesia CPT code should be placed in the <CPTAnesValue>.

2020 Quality Reporting Deadlines

Date	Deadline
October 1, 2020	ASA Membership Renewal
October 30, 2020	NACOR Reporting Registration
January 29, 2021	Submission of January - November 2020 data Individual Quality Reporting Consent Submission Improvement Activity Attestation CMS opt-out for Individual Reporting TIN/NPI Reconciliation
February 15, 2021	Submission of December 2020 data and any corrected files

Q&A

Next Office Hours

Tuesday, September 15th, 2020

11am CST

To register click here

If you have any topics that you would like us to cover during office hours, please email **askaqi@asahq.org**

Slides will be sent out after the webinar. The slides and a recording of today's presentation will be available on the AQI website soon.