

Quality Reporting Office Hours

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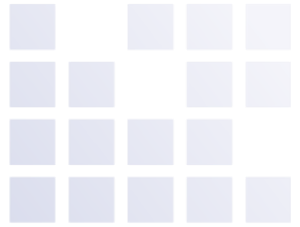
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Agenda



QRA

- **Improvement Activities Category**
- **General Announcements**
 - **2022 Measure Updates**
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- **2021 ASA Membership Deadline**
 - **Membership lookup**
- **Anesthesia Quality and Patient Safety Meeting**
- **Opt-in vs Voluntary**
- **Provider List Update**
- **NACOR Benchmarking**

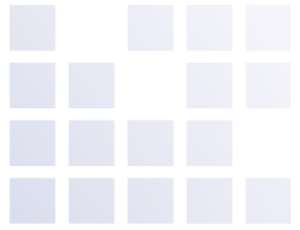
Quality and Regulatory Affairs Update

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2021 Improvement Activities Category

- 15% of Final MIPS Score
- Check your special status for reporting requirements.
- At least 50% of the clinicians in the group must perform the same activity during any continuous 90-day period.
- Identify your IAs early in the year to ensure a 90-day period is available.

Additional information:

<https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/improvement-activities>



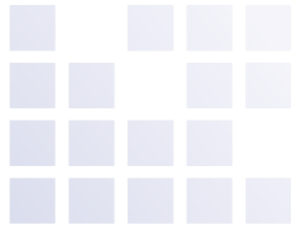
2021 Improvement Activities Available in AQI NACOR



- In 2021 AQI NACOR is supporting 58 Improvement Activities representative of all activity types
- For a full list of these activities and their titles, please visit:
 - <https://www.aqihq.org/MACRAOverview.aspx>

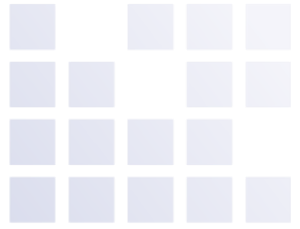
Important Note: AQI NACOR cannot accept attestations for Improvement Activities that are not supported.

- For additional information on Improvement Activities please visit:
 - <https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/app-improvement-activities>



2022 QCDR Measure Updates

- QRA and AQI staff are preparing for the 2022 CMS Self-Nomination Period
- This is an annual chance to correct typos, clarify measure language, refine specifications, etc.
- If you have feedback you would like considered during this update, please email qra@asahq.org by July 1st

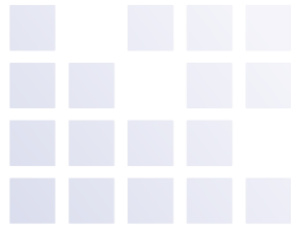


AQI72 – Perioperative Anemia Management

- 2021 QCDR Measure Book Correction:
 - Registry Code added for Denominator Exclusion

Denominator Exclusions

Surgeon or other non-anesthesia professional clinician completed one or more of the management strategies without direction or assistance from the anesthesia professional: **11A80**

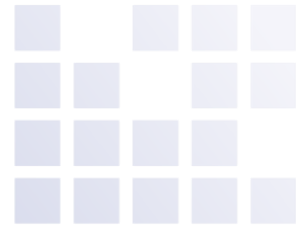


Coming Soon

- 2022 Quality Payment Program Proposed Rule
 - MIPS Value Pathways information
 - Changes to category weighting
 - Change to category requirements



ASA Commercial Conversion Factor Survey

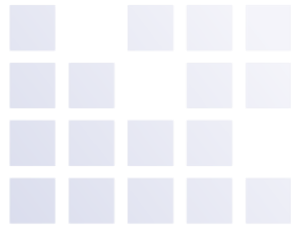


2021 Survey Now Open

<https://www.asahq.org/advocacy-and-asapac/fda-and-washington-alerts/washington-alerts/2021/06/2021-asa-conversion-factor-survey>

Please participate!!!!!!

Stanley W. Stead, MD, MBA, FASA Sharon K. Merrick, MS, CCS-P: ASA Survey Results for Commercial Fees Paid for Anesthesia Services-2020. *ASA Monitor*. October 2020, Vol 84, 1-29.



2021 Resource List

2021 QCDR Measure Book

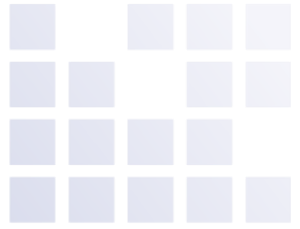
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2021 Improvement Activities Supported

<https://www.aqihq.org/MACRAOverview.aspx>

QPP Information and Resources

<https://qpp.cms.gov/resources/resource-library>



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.

Quality and Regulatory Affairs

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AQI Update

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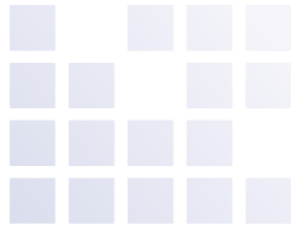
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2021 ASA Membership Deadline

- ASA Membership renewal deadline is October 1st
- If your practice wants to verify that your providers have renewed their 2021 ASA membership please email the askaqi@asahq.org
- Provide a roster with the provider's first and last name and NPI

ANESTHESIA QUALITY AND PATIENT SAFETY MEETING (AQPSM)- Save the Date

- **Join us on July 17**
 - For a new virtual event featuring renowned practitioners who are passionate about ensuring safe care before, during, and after surgery. Participate and discover strategies and innovations for optimizing patient care, decreasing burnout, reducing medical errors, and improving a culture of safety.
- [Sign up to get notified when registration opens](#)
- [Anesthesia Quality and Patient Safety Meeting Agenda](#)



Opting In vs. Voluntary Reporting

- You can ***opt-in*** to MIPS if you are an eligible clinician or group who exceeds 1 or 2 (but not all 3) of the low-volume threshold criteria during either review period. If you are an eligible clinician or group who opts-in to MIPS, you will receive a MIPS final score in 2022 and a payment adjustment in 2023.
- You can ***voluntarily report*** if you are a clinician or group that is not MIPS eligible. If you report voluntarily, you will receive a MIPS final score but no payment adjustment.

2021 Low-Volume Threshold

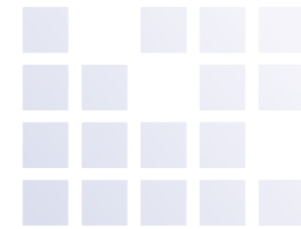
Bills at least **\$90,000** Medicare Part B charges

Or

sees **200** Medicare Part B patients in a year

OR

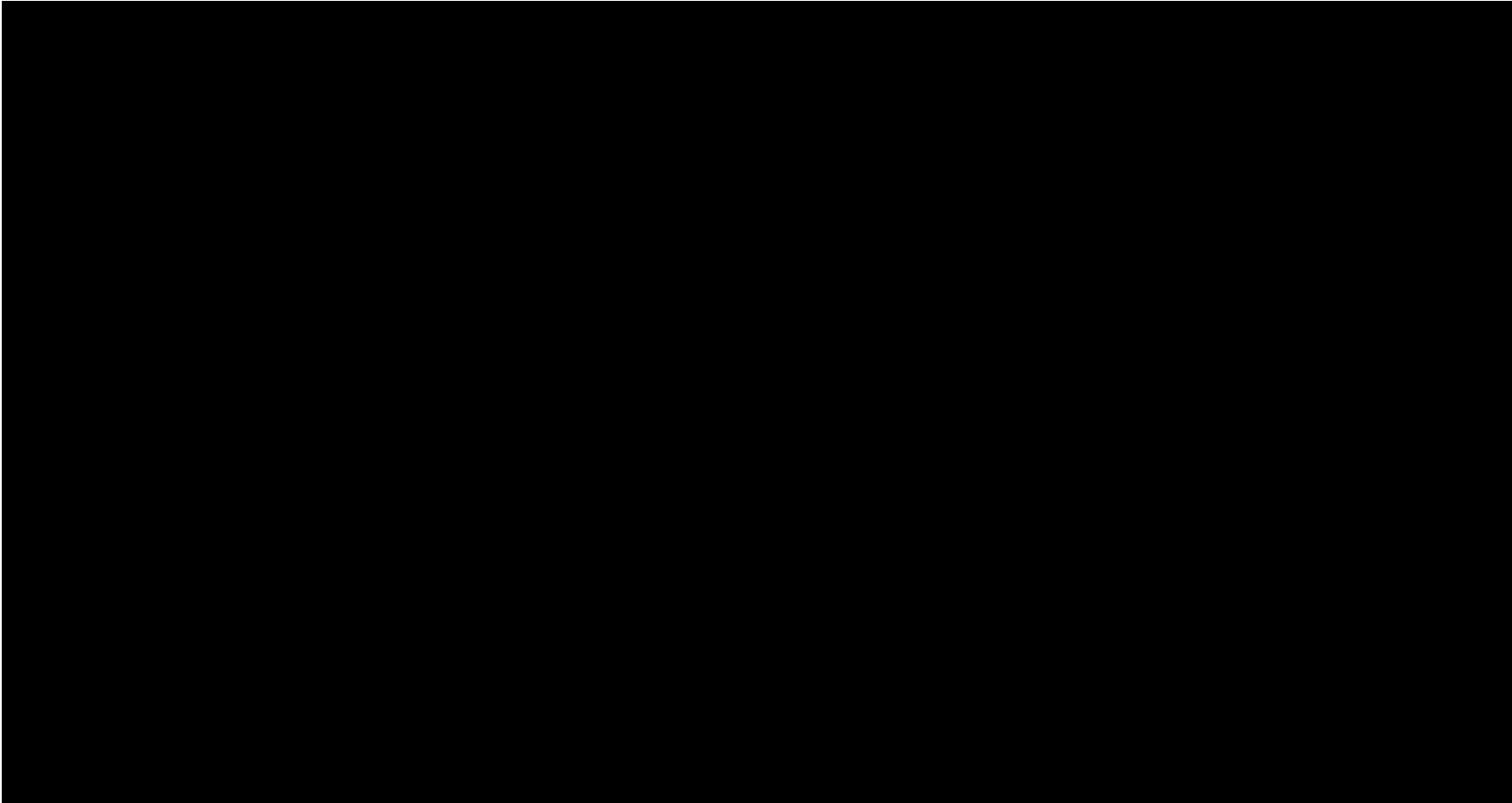
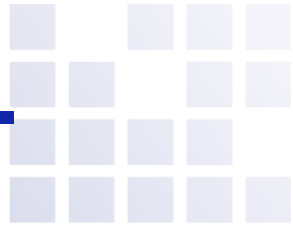
Provides **200** or more covered professional services under the Physician Fee Schedule (PFS)



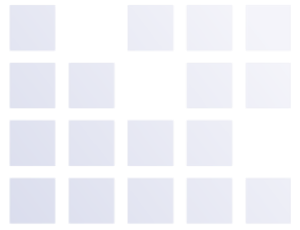
Provider List Update

- Updating your list makes your practice reports easier to understand, clears up clutter and assists with the reconciliation billing process that will occur after the new year
 - Provider names are not submitted in the data so the names must be entered manually
- 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
- Please refer to this guide to audit your provider lists:
 - [Updating Provider Lists on the NACOR Dashboard \(PDF\)](#)

How to access your NACOR Benchmarks- DEMO







Next Office Hours

Tuesday July 13th, 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.