



CMS Announces Submission Timeframes for 2014 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) Data

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is pleased to announce the 2014 PQRS data submission timeframes:

Reporting Method	Submission Period	Submission Deadline Time (All Times are Eastern)
EHR Direct or Data Submission Vendor that is certified EHR technology (CEHRT)	1/1/15 - 2/28/15	8:00 p.m.
Qualified clinical data registries (QCDRs) (using QRDA III format) reporting for PQRS and the clinical quality measure (CQM) component of meaningful use for the Medicare Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program	1/1/15 - 2/28/15	8:00 p.m.
Group practice reporting option (GPRO) Web Interface	1/26/15 - 3/20/15	8:00 p.m.
Qualified registries	1/1/15 - 3/31/15	8:00 p.m.
QCDRs (using XML format) reporting for PQRS only	1/1/15 - 3/31/15	8:00 p.m.
Maintenance of Certification Organizations (MOCs)	1/1/15 - 3/31/15	8:00 p.m.

An Individuals Authorized Access to CMS Computer Services (IACS) account with the “PQRS Submitter Role” is required for these PQRS data submission methods. Please see the [IACS Quick Reference Guides](#) for specifics.

PQRS provides an incentive payment to individual eligible professionals (EPs) and group practices that satisfactorily participate or satisfactorily report data on quality measures for covered Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) services. Additionally, those who do not meet the 2014 PQRS reporting requirements will be subject to a negative payment adjustment on all Medicare Part B PFS services rendered in 2016.

For questions, please contact the QualityNet Help Desk [1-866-288-8912](tel:1-866-288-8912) or via email at Onetsupport@hcqis.org from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Central Time. Complete information about PQRS is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/PQRS/index.html>.