



**The Oncology Care Model (OCM): Intersection of MIPS and APM Scoring (2017)**

OCM practices that do not qualify as Advanced APMs are required to participate in MIPS, but they are assessed and scored differently from other MIPS participants. Since the OCM contract requires participants to report on quality measures and perform certain practice improvement activities, CMS adjusts the weighting/scoring for certain MIPS categories to recognize this OCM participation. The only MIPS category that OCM practices must report under MIPS is Advancing Care Information. OCM practices that bear two-sided risk and meet the payment amount/patient count threshold will be exempt from MIPS and assessed as an Advanced APM.

Summary Table: OCM Requirements Under MIPS			
MIPS Performance Category	MIPS Activity/Reporting	MIPS Weight	OCM Activity/Reporting
Cost	None	0%	Per OCM agreement
Quality	None	0%	As required by OCM
Improvement Activities	None	25%	As required by OCM
Advancing Care Information	Report on ACI measures as individual or group	75%	As required by OCM

Following is a brief description of an OCM practice’s requirements under MIPS.

Cost/Resource Use: CMS has weighted the *Cost Performance Category* under MIPS at 0% for all MIPS participants in 2017. No cost-related activities or reporting are required for OCM practices under MIPS. Cost/resource use information will factor into an OCM practice’s payment under the terms of the OCM, but will not affect an OCM practice’s MIPS final score.

Quality: CMS has weighted the *Quality Performance Category* under MIPS at 0% for certain “MIPS APMs,” which includes the OCM (one-sided model). OCM practices will report their quality measures as required by the terms of the OCM. Performance on these quality measures will factor into an OCM practice’s payment under the terms of the OCM, but will not affect an OCM practice’s MIPS final score.

Advancing Care Information (ACI): OCM practices are subject to MIPS for the *ACI Performance Category*. For OCM practices, this category is worth 75% of the overall MIPS score. CMS will use one score for each MIPS eligible clinician in the OCM “APM Entity” group to derive a single average APM Entity group score for the ACI category. The score for each MIPS eligible clinician is the higher of either:

- (a) A group score reported by a TIN for the MIPS eligible clinician according to the MIPS submission and reporting requirements for groups; or
- (b) An individual score reported by the MIPS eligible clinician according to the MIPS submission and reporting requirements for individuals.

Improvement Activities (IA): OCM practices are subject to MIPS for the *IA Performance Category*. For OCM practices, this category is worth 25% of the overall MIPS score. OCM practices will automatically be awarded the full IA score under MIPS for participating in OCM-required activities; therefore, no additional activities or reporting are required under MIPS.