

Merit-Based Incentive Payment Program (MIPS)

- Retains portions of the traditional fee-for-service method, but changes reimbursement based upon the combined weighted score of four categories: quality, resource use, clinical practice improvement activities, and advancing care information.
- Baseline payment adjustments are +/- 4% for 2019 up to +/- 9% in 2022 and beyond, with additional positive payment adjustments possible.
- Reduction in administrative burdens

Alternative Payment Model (APMs)

- Includes models like a Medicare Shared Savings Program Accountable Care Organization or a bundled payment program (like CJR)
- Still utilizes measurements based on quality and whether the provider uses an CEHR
- Reimbursement based on earned shared savings, plus the potential of a 5% bonus in 2019-2024 and 0.75% baseline payment from 2026 and beyond

