

Understanding Your Remittance Advice for Merit-Based Incentive Payment System Adjustments

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NGS has reported an increase in invalid overpayment requests related to the MIPS program. MIPS is part of the QPP that determines Medicare performance-based payment adjustments.

The Quality Payment Program is part of the MACRA and includes two tracks – Advanced APM and the MIPS. MIPS substitutes the Sustainable Growth Rate formula and streamlines the following three “Legacy Programs”:

- ⇒ EHR (Meaningful Use)
- ⇒ PQRS
- ⇒ VM

Using a composite performance score, eligible providers may receive a MIPS payment bonus, a payment penalty, or no payment adjustment; a MIPS adjustment can be positive or negative. It’s important to review your RA to determine what the payment adjustment was for. CARC/RARC codes for MIPS performance-based payment adjustments are:

- ⇒ For a positive adjustment: Group code CO, CARC 144 and the amount and RARC N807
- ⇒ For a negative adjustment: Group Code CO, CARC 237 and the amount and RARC N807

Visit the [CMS QPP](#) website for participation, reporting, and performance category requirements.

Reference: NGS website