

***Q – What if I can't attend the training webinar provided by NJ-HITEC and MDOL?***

If you were unable to attend one of our training Webinars, we encourage our providers to view an [archived version of the presentation](#).

***Q – Does this mean I still can submit PQRS for last year's claims and avoid the 2015 payment reduction?***

Yes. You can utilize the MDOL & NJ-HITEC partnership to submit to HITEC's registry until the deadline of March 15, 2014 at 11:59 PM ET.

***Q – How quick will the PQRS codes be sent to the payers?***

As a CMS Qualified Registry, NJ-HITEC will submit your PQRS data to CMS by March 31, 2014. You will receive a confirmation email when the data is accepted by CMS.

***Q – You aren't resubmitting my claims again are you? I don't want to be audited for duplicating claims!***

No. We are only taking the data from your claims and submitting to NJ-HITEC for PQRS filing to CMS only. Reporting with a Registry is an alternative to Claims-Based reporting of PQRS measures.

***Q – I sent PQRS Codes on my claims last year, why are you bothering me with all of this?***

We like to inform all customers of our newest features and tools developed. If you sent in PQRS codes on your claims last year, they are still being processed by CMS and our notification to you regarding this new partnership and feature is purely informational.

***Q – What if there are certain claims I don't want to submit, can I pick and choose which ones I want NJ-HITEC to send out?***

Yes, absolutely. You will be able to select any 20 patients that are eligible for the measures group you are reporting when you are logged into the NJ-HITEC PQRS Registry portal.

***Q – The name is NJ-HITEC, but I'm in California, how is this going to help me?***

NJ-HITEC's name aside, they provide registry submission and support services for healthcare providers nationwide. Regardless of geographic location, you are still able to utilize their registry for PQRS data submission. NJ-HITEC provides remote assistance 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM EST by phone (973-642-4055) or email ([pqrs@njhitec.org](mailto:pqrs@njhitec.org)), and guidance documents are available on the NJ-HITEC PQRS Registry site.

***Q – Will this feature help me with 2014 claims as well?***

Yes. You will be able to use this tool for the 2014 reporting period beginning in July 2014.

***Q – What happens if I miss the 03/15 deadline?***

If you miss the 3/15 deadline, beginning in 2015 eligible professionals are subject to a -1.5% payment adjustment on Medicare Part B claims for unsatisfactory reporting or non-participating in the 2013 reporting period. You will be able to use this tool for the 2014 reporting period beginning in July 2014. Please note that the same fees will apply for submission of your PQRS data to NJ-HITEC's registry within the 2014 reporting period.

***Q- Does this identify Medicare Secondary claims as well as primary claims that may have qualified for reporting?***

Yes. PQRS requirements allow Medicare secondary. MDOL is pulls from the providers' secondary claims for PQRS submission.

***Q – Are the charges monthly or one time?***

There is a \$175 charge for a one-time setup fee per practice. The charge for filing through NJ-HITEC's registry is \$125 per provider for 2013 registry reporting for each measures group. These charges will appear on your monthly MDOL invoice.

***Q – What if I forget which provider I submitted for already? Will I be charged twice if I try to submit for the same provider?***

No—our system will not allow duplicate submissions for the same provider to submit to the same measures group.

***Q – What if I paid the PQRS one-time setup fee of \$175, plus the \$125 per provider for filing for each measures group, is that for 2013 claims registry only? Will I have to pay again for 2014 reporting?***

Yes—if you choose to utilize the registry reporting option for 2014. The one-time setup fee of \$175 is for each PQRS data submission to NJ-HITEC's registry through their partnership with MDOL for each PQRS reporting period. This fee varies slightly throughout PQRS registries nationwide, but is offered to MDOL customers at a discounted cost through our partnership with NJ-HITEC.

***Q – What if I don't have enough qualifying Medicare patients, but I do have enough overall? (IE: EP has 64 qualifying patients but only 6 were Medicare)***

Providers can report on <20 patients but at least 1 patient to avoid the penalties. Even if the provider only has 4 Medicare patients, they should be reporting to avoid 2015 penalties.

***Q – If an EP reports 1 measures group for 1 eligible Medicare Part B FFS patient for 2013, does the performance rate of each measure within the measures group still need to be >0% to avoid the 2015 PQRS payment adjustment?***

When reporting PQRS in 2013 to avoid the PQRS payment adjustment in 2015, if the performance was not met on any of the reported cases or measures (so the performance rate is 0%), but the individual provider or 2013 PQRS GPRO did have at least one measure validly reported for a minimum of one patient, they will still avoid the 2015 PQRS payment adjustment. It is only when analyzing to determine if an incentive is earned for 2013 PQRS that the performance rate of individual measure(s) or a Measure Group must be higher than 0% to be counted.

**Q – I agreed to the terms and conditions, completed the form, and submitted my data. Now what?**

You should receive an email from NJ-HITEC within one business day of submitting your data. This email will contain your credentials and instructions to logging into the NJ-HITEC PQRS Registry portal. If you do not receive this email within 1 business day of submitting your data, please contact NJ-HITEC via email: [pqrs@njhitec.org](mailto:pqrs@njhitec.org) or via phone: (973) 642.4055.

**Q – If I have a question about PQRS registry submission in general, receiving my incentive, or a step within the data submission process having to do with the registry, who can I contact?**

Please contact NJ-HITEC by using one of the methods below:

- ▶ E-mail NJ-HITEC: [pqrs@njhitec.org](mailto:pqrs@njhitec.org)
- ▶ Call NJ-HITEC: (973) 642.4055

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- ▶ If you would like additional information on the various reporting types for PQRS, please visit [www.cms.gov/pqrs](http://www.cms.gov/pqrs).
- ▶ For additional information regarding the upcoming reporting periods, please view the [PQRS Reporting Timeline](#) as provided by CMS.

