

PQRS Corner

Four Weeks to Go

If you're planning to submit your 2015 PQRS data via **EHR** (direct or data submission vendor) or a **qualified clinical data registry** (QCDR), the deadline is **February 29** at **8 pm** Eastern Time.

Other key reporting deadlines:

- **March 11** for **GPRO Web Interface**
- **March 31** for **Qualified registries (Registry XML) & QCDR (QCDR XML)**



Not reporting your 2015 PQRS data will result in an automatic **-2.0%** PQRS payment adjustment to your Medicare Part B payments in 2017.

It will also trigger an additional **-2.0%** Value Modifier (VM) payment adjustment to your 2017 Medicare payments. Check out the free CSMS on-demand webinar ([PQRS: What You Need to Know in 2016](#)) to learn about reporting options.

An [Enterprise Identity Management \(EIDM\)](#) account is required for these PQRS data submission methods.

Questions? Contact the QualityNet Help Desk 7 am – 7 pm Central Time: [1-866-288-8912](tel:1-866-288-8912) or Qnetsupport@hcqis.org.

Test QRDA I Release 2 and QRDA III Release 1 Files

The Submission Engine Validation Tool (SEVT) located on the [Physician and Other Health Care Professionals Quality Reporting Portal](#) has been updated. Updates include changes to the Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) Category I, Release 2 and electronic health record (EHR) QRDA Category 3, Release 1 requirements for 2015 submission. If you have previously tested QRDA Category 3 files, **CMS highly encourages that you retest your files prior to the submission period.** Check out the [PQRS SEVT User Guide](#) for details.