Appendix D CAHPS and CMS Web Interface Registration Guide
2018 Finalized vs. 2019 Finalized

Burden Impact: There are no impacts to burden as a result of any changes to this registration guide from the previous version.

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1	Under "Introduction" section: "The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA) ended the Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) formula, which would have made major cuts to Medicare payment	Under "Introduction" section: *Text deleted*.	With the third year of the QPP being under way, such information is known by stakeholders and not necessarily. Condensed the "Introduction" section.

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3	Under "Introduction" section: "For more information about reporting through the CMS Web Interface, please review the 2018 CMS Web Interface Fact Sheet. For more information about administering the	Under "Introduction" section: "For additional information on submitting data through the CMS Web Interface or administering the CAHPS for MIPS Survey, visit the following resources: • The 2019 CMS Web Interface Fact Sheet for more information about quality data submissions through the CMS Web Interface. • The 2019 CAHPS for MIPS Survey Fact Sheet for more information about administering the CAHPS for MIPS Survey."	Edited for clarity

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3	Under "Introduction" section: "This guide offers direction about who needs to register, as well as step-by-step instructions for how a group can register to participate in MIPS utilizing the CMS Web Interface and/or	Under "Introduction" section: "This guide provides information and instructions on the registration process for groups and virtual groups that want to submit their Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) quality data through the CMS Web Interface and/or administer the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) for MIPS Survey for the 2019 performance period."	Edited to be succinct and used as the introductory paragraph of the guide.

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3	Under "Introduction" section: "Additional information about the Quality Payment Program can be found on the Quality Payment Program website, https://qpp.cms.gov/."	Under "Introduction" section: "You can find additional information about the Quality Payment Program on the Quality Payment Program website."	Edited to be succinct.

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5 (2018) & 3 (2019)	Under "When do we need to register?" subsection: "For Year 2 of MIPS (2018), you can register to utilize the CMS Web Interface and/or administer the CAHPS for MIPS survey between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018 (11:59p	Under "Registration Information" subsection: "To register to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface and/or administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey, sign in to the Quality Payment Program website. Registration opens on Monday, April 4, 2019 at 10:00am Eastern Time (ET) and closes on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 5:00pm ET. • Groups and virtual groups need an account (user ID and password) to sign into the Quality Payment Program website. • Additionally, an individual registering the group or virtual group will need an appropriate QPP role associated with the group or virtual group. More information is provided in Section III: Access the Registration System."	Moved registration information to the beginning of the 2019 Guide. Registration information in the 2018 Guide was under the "When do we need to regist

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3 (2018) & 3-4 (2019)	Under "Who needs to register?" subsection: "Groups of 25 or more clinicians that intend to submit their 2018 MIPS quality measures through the CMS Web Interface for the first time (i.e. did not use this submissi	Under "Who needs to register?" subsection: "Groups or virtual groups with 25 or more clinicians that did not use the CMS Web Interface to submit quality data for the 2018 performance period, but plan to for the 2019 performance period. • Why? Groups that submitted quality data through the CMS Web Interface for the 2018 performance period have been automatically registered for the 2019 performance period. Automatic CMS Web Interface registrations can be edited (i.e., update group information) or cancelled for the 2019 performance period. Groups or virtual groups that plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey for the 2019 performance period. • Why? There is no automatic registration for the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. Groups and virtual groups that plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey must register each performance period they plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. Groups that have been automatically registered for the CMS Web Interface and plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. • Why? There is no automatic registration for the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. Groups and virtual groups that plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey must register each performance period they plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. • Note, the CAHPS for MIPS Survey assesses the experience of patients receiving primary care services. The CAHPS for MIPS Survey is most appropriate for groups and virtual groups that provide primary care services."	Edited for clarity.

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4		Under "Who needs to register?" subsection: *Added the following text:* "A group is defined as a single Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with 2 or more clinicians (including at least one MIPS eligible clinician), as identified by their individual National Provider Identifier (NPI), who have reassigned their Medicare billing rights to the TIN. A virtual group is a combination of two or more whole TINs (solo practitioners and/or groups with 10 or fewer clinicians, including at least one MIPS eligible clinician) whose clinicians elected to participate in MIPS as part of a virtual group. For the 2019 performance period, only virtual groups that we approve and identify as official virtual groups can participate in MIPS as a virtual group."	Moved the definition of the term "group" from the "Who can't register?" subsection in the 2018 Guide to the "Who needs to register?" subsection in the 2019 Guide

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		Under "Who needs to register?" subsection: *Added a text box with the following text:* "You were automatically registered if you submitted quality data through the CMS Web Interface in 2018. Sign in to qpp.cms.gov and review your registration to verify the information (such as group size and contact information) is correct."	Adde d for clarity .

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4 (2018) & 4-5 (2019)	Under "Who does not need to register?" subsection:
	
	"Groups that intend to submit their 2018 quality measures via Qualified Registry, QCDR, or EHR.
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		Under "Who does not need to register?" subsection:
		
		"Groups or virtual groups that plan to submit eCQMs, MIPS CQMs and/or QCDR measures for the 2019 performance period.
		  • Why? Registration is not required for these collection types.
		Groups that submitted quality data through the CMS Web Interface for the 2018 performance period.
		  • Why? Groups have been automatically registered to submit data for the Quality performance category through the CMS Web Interface for the 2019 performance period. Automatic CMS Web Interface registrations can be edited (i.e., update group information) or cancelled for the 2019 performance period.
		  • However, groups that have been automatically registered for the CMS Web Interface and plan to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey need to register for the CAHPS for MIPS Survey for the 2019 performance period. There is no automatic registration for the CAHPS for MIPS Survey.
		Groups participating in a Medicare Shared Savings Program (SSP) Accountable Care Organization (ACO).
		  • Why? An SSP ACO is required to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface. The quality data submitted through the CMS Web Interface by the SSP ACO is used to score the MIPS Quality performance category and the score will apply to each MIPS eligible clinician in the ACO.
		  • However, groups can register to submit data at the group (ACO Participant TIN) level if, for example, a group (ACO Participant TIN) is terminating its ACO participation agreement or have concerns that the ACO will not be able to successfully report on behalf of the ACO Participant TINs."
			Edited for clarity.

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4 (2018) & 5 (2019)	Subheading: "Groups with clinicians participating in a Next Generation ACO or other (non-SSP) Advanced APM"	Subheading: "Groups with clinicians participating in a Next Generation ACO Model or other (non-SSP) Advanced APM"	Edited for clarity.

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4 (2018) & 5 (2019)	Under "Groups with clinicians participating in a Next Generation ACO or other (non-SSP) Advanced APM" subheading: "Certain Advanced Alternate Payment Models (APMs) allow "split TINs," where some of the	Under "Groups with clinicians participating in a Next Generation ACO Model or other (non-SSP) Advanced APM" subheading: "Certain Advanced Alternate Payment Models (Advanced APMs) allow "split TINs", where some of the clinicians billing under the group's Taxpayer Identification number (TIN) participate in the model while others do not. If a "split TIN", particularly the portion of the group (TIN) that is not participating in a Next Generation ACO Model or other Advanced APM, is eligible to participate in MIPS, the group can register to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface (as long as the MIPS eligible portion of the group has 25 or more clinicians) and/or administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey on behalf of the MIPS eligible clinicians in the group who do not participate in the APM. This would be separate from any APM Entity reporting required by the model which would only apply to the clinicians participating in the model."	Edited for clarity.

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5	Under "Who can't register?" subsection: • "Virtual Groups that intend to submit data through the CMS Web Interface and/or administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey (2018 only). • Why?	Under "Who can't register?" subsection: • "APM Entities: Medicare Shared Savings Program Accountable Care Organizations (SSP ACOs) and Next Generation ACO Models. • Why? ACOs are required to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface, so there is no need to register for the CMS Web Interface. The registration system will not allow registrations at the APM Entity (Primary TIN) level."	Edited to reflect the operationalization of virtual groups being able to register for CAHPS and the CMS Web Interface similar to groups. Edited for

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5 (2018) & 4 (2019)	Under "Who can't register?" subsection: "A "group" is defined as a single Medicare billing Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with 2 or more individual eligible clinicians (including at least one MIPS	Under "Who needs to register?" subsection: "A group is defined as a single Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with 2 or more clinicians (including at least one MIPS eligible clinician), as identified by their individual National Provider Identifier (NPI), who have reassigned their Medicare billing rights to the TIN."	Edited for clarity. Moved the definition of the term "group" from the "Who can't register?" subsection in the 2018 Guide to the "Who needs to register?" subse

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5	Under "Do we have to submit data through the CMS Web Interface if we're registered?" subsection: "If your group does not intend to submit data through the CMS Web Interface, we strongly encourage you to cancel	Under "Do we have to submit data through the CMS Web Interface if we're registered?" subsection: "No, registered groups and virtual groups do not have to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface. However, groups and virtual groups that do not plan to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface are strongly encouraged to cancel their registration by 5:00pm ET on July 1, 2019. If your group or virtual group doesn't cancel your registration before this date, you can submit quality measures through other submission types."	Edited for clarity.

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6		*Added subsection and text:* "Is it possible we won't be able to report through the CMS Web Interface? For groups and virtual groups that are registered for the CMS Web Interface, we conduct an assignment and sampling methodology process. Generally, we assign beneficiaries to the group or virtual group that furnished the plurality of primary care services for such beneficiaries. In rare instances, a group or virtual group may have zero Medicare beneficiaries assigned to them and as a result, we can't populate a beneficiary sample. If a beneficiary sample can't be populated, the group or virtual group will not be able to submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface. If a group or virtual group does not have any Medicare beneficiaries assigned for any of the CMS Web Interface measures, the following will occur: - We will notify the groups and virtual groups that they can't submit quality data through the CMS Web Interface. We anticipate notifications to be sent in the Fall of 2019. - The group or virtual group won't meet the CMS Web Interface data submission criteria and will need to submit measures from another collection type (such as eCQMs or MIPS CQMs)."	Added for clarity.

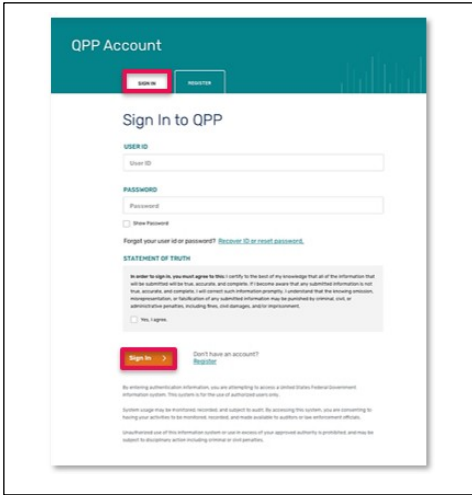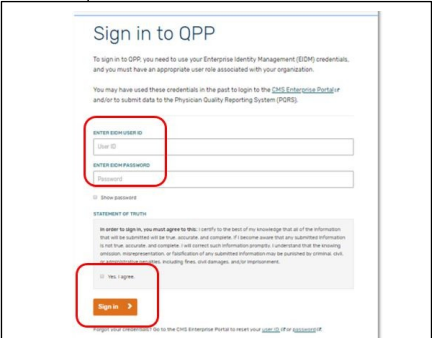| P a g e	2018 Final Docume nt 2018	2019 Final Document	Reaso n for Chan ge
6		*Added subsection and text:* "Is it possible we won't be able to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey? For the 2019 performance period, the CAHPS for MIPS Survey continues to be optional. For groups and virtual groups that are registered to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey, we conduct a process for assigning and sampling beneficiaries. Groups and virtual groups must meet minimum beneficiary sampling requirements to administer the 2019 CAHPS for MIPS Survey. ○ If a group or virtual group does not meet the minimum beneficiary sampling requirements for the CAHPS for MIPS survey, we will notify groups and virtual groups indicating that they will not be able to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. We anticipate notifications to be sent in the Fall of 2019. ○ ○ Groups and virtual groups that don't meet minimum beneficiary sampling requirements: • Will need to select a different activity for the Improvement Activities performance category • Will not be able to supplement their quality score from CMS Web Interface measures with points associated with the administration of the CAHPS for MIPS Survey • May qualify for a denominator reduction in the Quality performance category if not submitting quality data through the CMS Web Interface."	Adde d for clarity .

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6 (2018) & 7 (2019)	Under "Getting Started" section, "Create and Access your EIDM account" subsection: "An individual from the group can sign-up for a new EIDM account or modify an existing account at https://portal.cm	Under "Getting Started" section, "Obtain Access" subsection: "An individual from the group or virtual group will need an account that lets them sign in to qpp.cms.gov and the Security Official role for their organization to submit, modify or cancel a registration. • If you're a returning user, sign in with your existing EIDM account credentials. • If you're a new user, you'll need to create an account before you can request Security Official access to your organization by signing in to qpp.cms.gov. Visit the QPP Access User Guide on the Resource Library for instructions to create an account and/or request the Security Official role for your organization. • Register for a HARP Account provides information about creating a new HARP account • Connect to an Organization provides information about requesting the Security Official role for your organization. To determine whether your group or virtual group already has an individual who can register the group or virtual group for the CMS Web Interface and/or to administer the CAHPS for MIPS survey, please contact the Quality Payment Program and provide the group's TIN or virtual group ID and the name of the group. • By phone at 866-288-8292 (TTY 1-877-715-6222) • By e-mail at QPP@cms.hhs.gov."	Edited to reflect the change in the system used for user verification.

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7		Under "Getting Started" section: *Added text box with the following text:* "Start the account creation process now to avoid any last-minute delays in obtaining an account and role with your organization. The registration period closes on July 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm ET."	Added for clarity.
6 (2018) & 7 (2019)	Subheading: "Prepare to Register"	Subheading: "Prepare to Register for CMS Web Interface or CAHPS"	Edited for clarity.

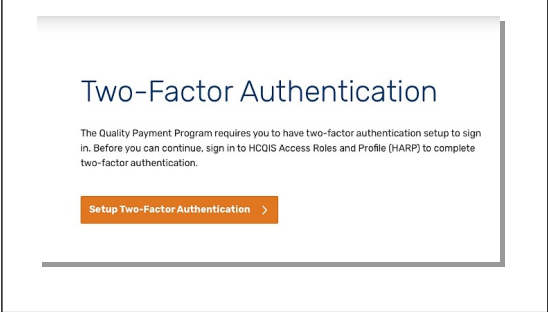| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
6-7 (2018) & 7 (2019)	Under "Getting Started" section, "Prepare to Register" subsection: "Please gather the following information before you begin to register your group (as identified by its Medicare-billing TIN) in the	Under "Getting Started" section, "Prepare to Register for CMS Web Interface or CAHPS" subsection: "Gather the following information before you begin to register your group or virtual group: • Organization Information: Organization Name and Mailing Address • Contact Information: First Name, Last Name, Phone Number and Email o You must provide complete information for at least one contact to submit your registration; all contacts will be notified by email when a registration is submitted, modified or cancelled. • Determine your group's or virtual group's size: 2-24 clinicians, 25-99 clinicians, or 100 or more clinicians • Determine your selection: CMS Web Interface (25 or more clinicians) and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey."	Edited to reflect changes in other sections of the 2019 Guide.

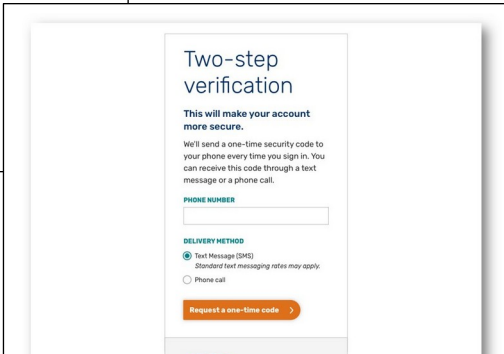| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
8	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section: "You will be able to access the registration system anytime between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018 (11:59pm EDT) by signing	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section: "You will be able to access the registration system between April 4, 2019 and July 1, 2019 (5:00 pm ET) by signing in to the QPP website. Signing in to qpp.cms.gov will allow you to create new registrations, view or cancel existing registrations, or modify information for groups with an existing registration. 1. Go to https://qpp.cms.gov/login or click Sign In in the upper right-hand corner of the QPP website. 2. Enter your User ID and Password in the requested fields, check Yes, I agree next to the statement of truth, and Sign In (you will be prompted to provide a security code from your two-factor authentication)."	Edited to be succinct and reflect new two-factor authentication system.

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8		Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section: *Added a text box with the following text:* "Returning users Sign in with the same EIDM credentials you've always used New users Sign in with your newly created HARP credentials Don't have an Account? Click the Register tab next to the Sign In tab and review the QPP Access User Guide"	Added for clarity.

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8	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section, particularly Step 2: *Screen shot of QPP Sign In page:*	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section, particularly Step 2: *Screen shot of QPP Sign In page:* 	Language from the 2018 Sign In page was deleted and utilized for the 2019 Sign In page given that such language was no longer necessary.

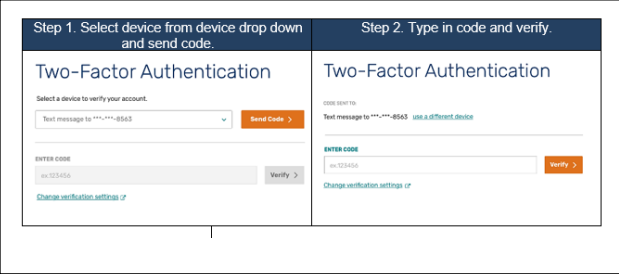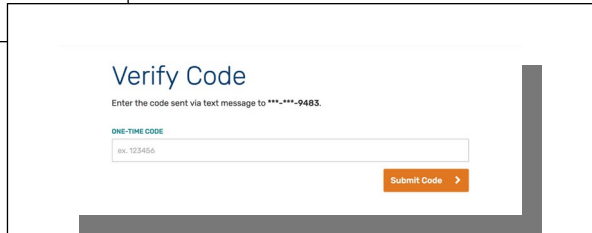| P a g e	2018 Final Docume nt 2018	2019 Final Document	Reaso n for Chan ge
9	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registra tion System" section (such section specified on previous page): "3. If this is your first time logging in, you will be prompte d to provide a phone number	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on previous page): "3. If this is your first time signing in, you will be prompted to set up two-factor authentication which will be completed in your HARP account. You will select a verification device (such as your cell phone) where you wish to have your one-time code sent each time you sign in. If you're a returning user, you will simply select the registered verification device you wish to have the one-time code sent to."	Edite d to reflec t the chang e from utilizi ng EIDM to HARP.

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9	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on previous page (page 8)), particularly Step 3: *Screen*	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on previous page (page8)), particularly Step 3: *Screen shot of Two-Factor Authentication page:* **Two-Factor Authentication** The Quality Payment Program requires you to have two-factor authentication setup to sign in. Before you can continue, sign in to HCQIS Access Roles and Profile (HARP) to complete two-factor authentication. **Setup Two-Factor Authentication >** **Two-step verification** **This will make your account more secure.** We'll send a one-time security code to your phone every time you sign in. You can receive this code through a text message or a phone call. **PHONE NUMBER** **DELIVERY METHOD** ◉ Text Message (SMS) *Standard text messaging rates may apply.* ○ Phone call **Request a one-time code >**	Edited to reflect the change from utilizing EIDM to HARP.
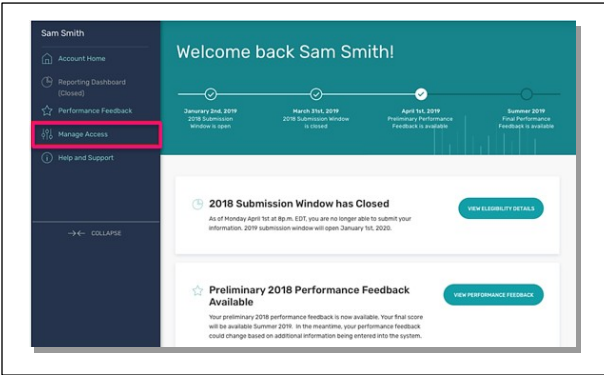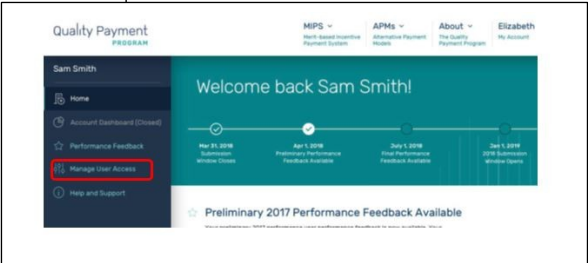
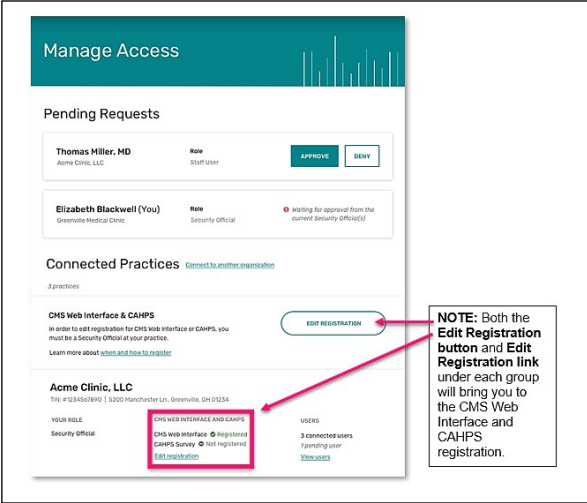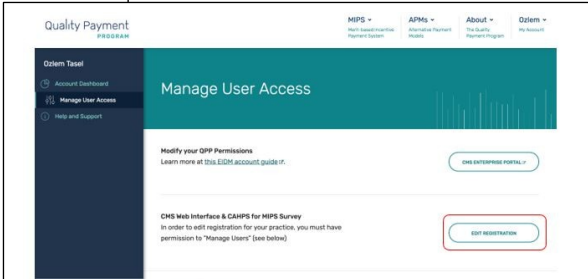| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
10 (2018) & 9 (2019)	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "4. Type your code and Submit Code."	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "Request a one-time code by selecting your preferred device from the device drop down and click send code and verify code."	Edited to reflect the change from utilizing EIDM to HARP.

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10 (2018) & 9 (2019)	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 4: *Screen shot regarding verification code page:*	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 4: *Screen shot regarding verification code page:* 	Edited to reflect the change from utilizing EIDM to HARP.

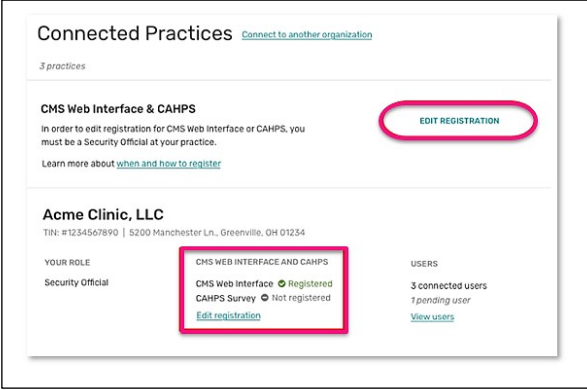| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
10	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "5. Select Manage User Access from the left-hand navigation panel."	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "Select Manage Access from the left-hand navigation panel."	Edited to reflect language change in the system – 2018: "Manage User Access" 2019: "Manage Access"

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10	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 5: *Screen*	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 5: *Screen shot regarding user homepage:*	Edited to reflect language change in the system. 2018: "Manage User Access" 2019: "Manage Access"

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11	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "6. Select Edit Registration next to CMS Web Interface & CAHPS, above your	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "6. Review your connected organizations to see if your group or virtual group has an active registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey. An active registration is indicated by "Registered" in green text with a green check checkmark."	In the 2019 Guide, included an additional step at Step 6, which outlines information pertaining to connected organizations. 2018 Guide – 6 steps

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11	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 6: *Screen*	Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 6: *Screen shot regarding Manage Access page:* 	In the 2019 Guide, the screen shot reflects a change to information displayed in the system; the system automatically displays "Pending Requests."

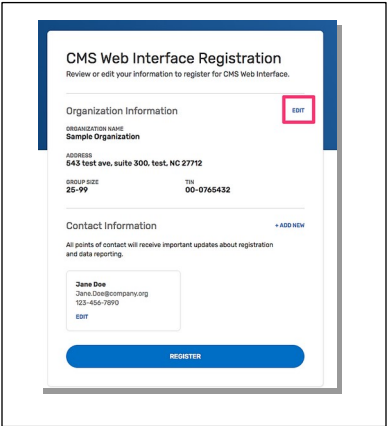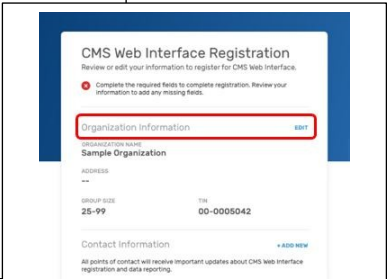| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
12		Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8): "7. Click the Edit Registration button to the right of CMS Web Interface & CAHPS section. Or click the Edit Registration link below the CMS Web Interface and CAHPS section under the practice you're interested in registering for. Selecting Edit Registration will allow you to submit a new registration as well as modify or cancel an existing registration for your group or virtual group."	In the 2019 Guide, included an additional step at Step 6, which outlines information pertaining to connected organizations. 2018 Guide – 6 steps

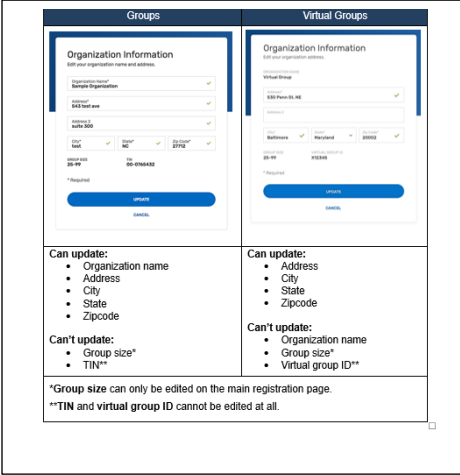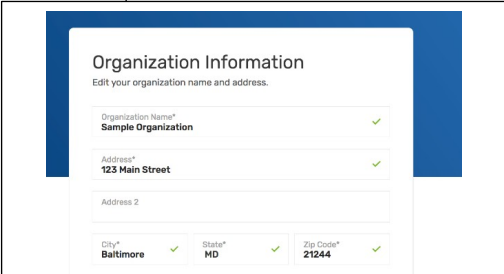| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
12		Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 7: *Screen shot regarding Connected Practices:* 	Added for clarity.
12		Under "Access the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration System" section (such section specified on page 8), particularly Step 7: *Text box with the following text:* "If you don't see Edit Registration, then you do not have the required Security Official role in for any connected practice(s). This role is necessary to submit, modify or cancel a registration. Visit Connect to an Organization in **the** QPP Access User Guide for information about obtaining the correct role."	Added for clarity.

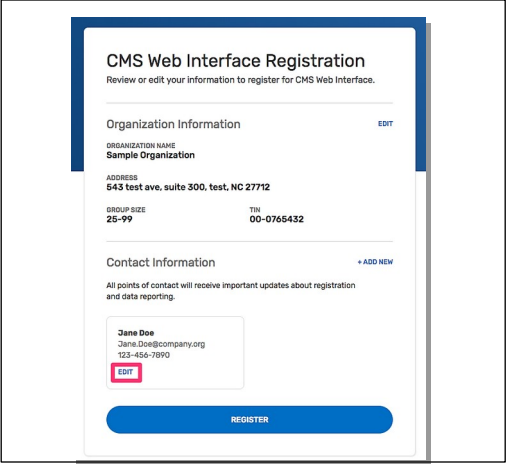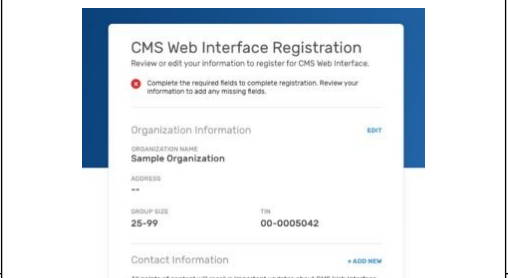| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
12 (2018) & 13-14 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section:1. "After selecting Edit Registration, you will see the Connected Practice(s) for which you have a Security Official role in	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section: "After selecting Edit Registration, you will be taken to the main registration page where you will see a list of the groups and/or virtual groups you have a Security Official role for. Note: There are a few small differences in the registration process for groups and virtual groups. These differences will be highlighted throughout this section of the guide. The main difference is that groups will see their Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) listed below their group name while virtual groups will see their virtual group ID. Follow the steps below whether you are registering for the first time or re-registering a group or virtual group whose previous registration was cancelled. 1. Select the Group Size next to the group or virtual group you want to register. • 2-24 clinicians will allow you to register for the CAHPS for MIPS survey. • 25-99 or 100 or greater clinicians will allow you to register for the CMS Web Interface and/or the CAHPS for MIPS Survey."	Edited for clarity.

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13 (2018) & 14 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): "2. After identifying your group size, you will see the available registration options. Select	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "2. After you identify your group size, you will see the registration options available to your group or virtual group. Click Register under CMS Web Interface (which will only display if your group size allows it) or CAHPS for MIPS Survey. Note: This section uses CMS Web Interface registration as the example, but the same steps apply if you're registering to administer the CAHPS for MIPS survey.	Edited for clarity.

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14 (2018) & 15 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): "3. At this point, you will see limited organization and contact information displaye	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "3. To submit your registration, you will need to complete any required Organization and Contact information. Groups and virtual groups will both see limited group and contact information populated. Select Edit next to the organization to complete any missing required information."	Edited for clarity.

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15 (2018) & 16 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12), specifically Step 3: *Screen* 	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13), specifically Step 3: *Screen shot:* 	2018 screen shot displays a pop-up warning noting that all fields need to be displayed (this same functionality in the 2019 system exists) and as a result

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1 5 (2 0 1 8) & 1 7 (2 0 1 9)	Under "Submit a New Registra tion for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): "4. Enter the Address, City, State and Zip Code for the Organiza tion. A green	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "4. Review the organization information that populated for your group or virtual group and update it as necessary. A green checkmark will appear after you enter each piece of required information. Once all required information has been entered, you will be able to select Update."	Edite d for clarity .

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15 (2018) & 17 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12), specifically Step 4: *Screen* 	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13), specifically Step 4: *Screen shot*: 	Edited for clarity. Reflects inclusion of virtual groups.

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16 (2018) & 18 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12), specifically Step 5: *Screen*	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12), specifically Step 5: *Screen shot:* 	Changes were not made to the system; just a different screen shot of the system was used in the 2019 Guide (screen shot of all fields completed and regist

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17 (2018) & 19 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): 2. "6. Contact information will be partially populated with the first and last name associate	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "6. Contact information will be partially pre-populated with the first and last name associated with your HARP account. • To keep yourself as a contact for the group or virtual group's registration, simply add your email address and phone number and select Update. (Don't worry – you can add additional contacts!) • If you should not be a contact for the group or virtual group's registration, update the first and last name, add the contact's email address and phone number and select Update."	Edited to reflect the change from utilizing EIDM to HARP.

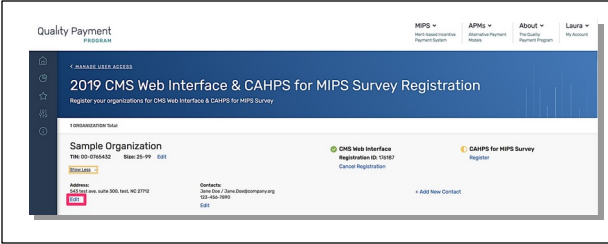| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
19 (2018) & 21 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): "8. Congratulations, you have successfully registered! You will see your registration ID	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "8. Congratulations, you have successfully registered! You will see your registration ID displayed on the screen. Each group or virtual group receives a single registration ID that will not change whether you modify, cancel or add a new registration. All the contacts associated with the registration will also receive an email notification of their successful registration. Select Back to List to complete another registration for the same group or virtual group, or to register another group for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey."	Edited for clarity.

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20 (2018) & 22 (2019)	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 12): "9. See the green check mark next to CMS Web Interface, indicating your	Under "Submit a New Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 13): "9. In Manage Access, confirm you see a green checkmark next to CMS Web Interface (or CAHPS for MIPS Survey), indicating your successful registration for your group or virtual group. Note: If you're adding a second registration for the same group or virtual group (i.e. registering for the CAHPS for MIPS survey after registering for the CMS Web Interface), the organization and contact information will carry over and you will only need to follow Steps 2 and 8."	Edited for clarity.

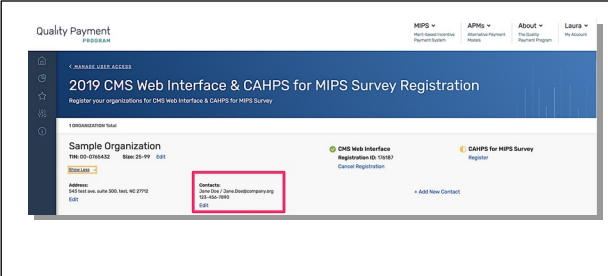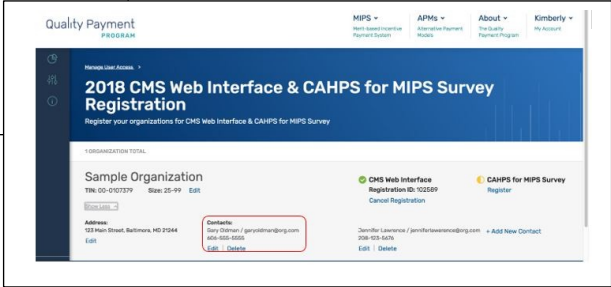| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
21 (2018) & 23-24 (2019)	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section:1. 2. "You can modify information for a group with an existing registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section: "You may need to modify your information for any of the following reasons: • You were automatically registered for the CMS Web Interface, and the Group Size from your 2018 registration is no longer accurate. • You were automatically registered for the CMS Web Interface, and the Organization Address from your 2018 registration is no longer accurate. • You were automatically registered for the CMS Web Interface, and the Contact Information (name, email, and/or phone number) from your 2018 registration is no longer accurate. • You need to update the Organization Address. • You need to update Contact Information, or change the Contacts associated with the group's registration. You can modify information for a group or virtual group with an existing registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS survey for performance period 2019 any time before the registration period closes on July 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm ET. 1. Complete the steps in Section III (Access the Registration System). 2. To edit the Group Size, select Edit next to Size." Select the correct group size and confirm or cancel the change. Note: If you are currently registered for the CMS Web Interface and select 2-24 as the group size, the confirmation message will indicate that accepting the change in size will cancel any existing CMS Web Interface registration because the CMS Web Interface is only available to groups with 25 or more eligible clinicians (including at least one MIPS eligible clinician)."	Edited for clarity.

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22-23 (2018) & 25 (2019)	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 21): "3. Select the correct group size and confirm or cancel	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 23): "3. To update Organization or Contact Information, select Show Details below the TIN or Virtual Group ID information."	In the 2019 Guide, eliminated Step 3 from the 2018 Guide. Step 4 (2018) and Step 3 (2019) are the same step in terms of what a user would

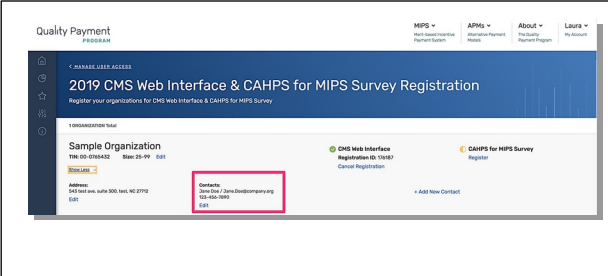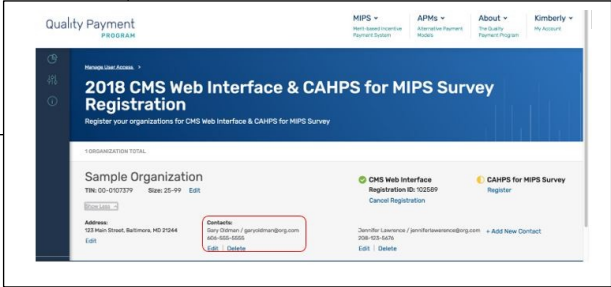| Page	2018 Final Document 2018	2019 Final Document	Reason for Change
22	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 21), particularly Step 3: *Screen*		In the 2019 Guide, eliminated Step 3 from the 2018 Guide. Screen shot/ Step 3 not necessary.

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23 (2018) & 26 (2019)	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 21), particularly Step 5: *Screen*	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 23), particularly Step 4: *Screen shot:* 	In the 2019 Guide, eliminated Step 3 from the 2018 Guide. Step 5 (2018) and Step 4 (2019) are the same step in terms of what a user would

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24 (2018) & 26 (2019)	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 21, particularly Step 6: *Screen*	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 23), particularly Step 5: *Screen shot:* 	In the 2019 Guide, eliminated Step 3 from the 2018 Guide. Step 6 (2018) and Step 5 (2019) are the same step in terms of what a user would

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24 (2018) & 26 (2019)	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 21, particularly Step 7: *Screen*	Under "Modify Information for a Group with an Existing Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section (such section specified on page 23), particularly Step 6: *Screen shot:* 	In the 2019 Guide, eliminated Step 3 from the 2018 Guide. Step 7 (2018) and Step 6 (2019) are the same step in terms of what a user would

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25-26 (2018) & 27 (2019)	Under "View your CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration Summary" section: "The registration system will allow you to view information about the CMS Web Interface and/or	Under "View your CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey Registration Summary" section: "The registration system will allow you to view information about the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey registrations for all the groups and virtual groups for which you have a Security Official role for their organization. A green checkmark indicates an existing registration, a yellow semi-circle indicates there is no registration. In the screenshot below, Sample Organization is registered for the CMS Web Interface but is not registered to administer the CAHPS for MIPS Survey. Selecting Show Detail will display the Organization and Contact Information. Note: Each group and virtual group will receive a single Registration ID to track all registration activity. To view your group or virtual group's registration information, follow the steps in Section III (Access the Registration System)."	Edited for clarity.

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27-28 (2018) & 28-29 (2019)	Under "Cancel Your 2017 Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section:

"If your group is registered to participate in MIPS utilizing the CMS Web Interface and/or administering the CAHPS for MIPS | Under "Cancel Your 2017 Registration for the CMS Web Interface and/or CAHPS for MIPS Survey" section:

"If your group or virtual group is registered to participate in MIPS utilizing the CMS Web Interface and/or administering the CAHPS for MIPS survey for the 2019 performance period, but wishes to cancel the registration, you can log into the registration system and cancel the registration any time before the registration period closes on July 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm ET. If you want to re-register the group or virtual group during the registration period after cancelling your registration, please refer to Section IV (Submit a New Registration) of this guide. Note: You will can't cancel the group or virtual group's 2019 registration after July 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm ET.
1. Complete the steps in Section III (Access the Registration System).
2. Select Cancel Registration under the appropriate registration.
3. Once you select Cancel Registration, you will be required to click Continue to cancel your registration or if you change your mind, click Cancel.
4. You have successfully cancelled your registration! Record the Registration Identification Number provided in the email notification for your records. If you need to contact the Quality Payment Program to discuss your registration, please provide the Registration Identification Number. All the contacts associated with the registration will also receive an email with the Registration Identification Number confirming your registration cancellation.
5. When you return to the list of Connected Practices, you should see that the group or virtual group is no longer registered for the CMS Web Interface.

Note: If you did not intend to cancel the group or virtual group's registration, please follow the guidance in Section IV (Submit a New Registration) to re-register your group before the registration period closes on July 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm ET.

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