Improvement Activities Call for Activities Submission Form Crosswalk

2018 Finalized vs. 2019 Finalized

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

| **Page** | **Final Rule 2018** | **Final Rule 2019** | **Reason for Change** |
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| 1 (paragraph 1) | “Activities submitted by July 1, 2019 will be considered for inclusion…” | “Activities submitted by July 1, 2020 will be considered for inclusion…” | Alignment with current year |
| 1 (paragraph 1) | “…will be considered for inclusion for the Quality Payment Program Year 5 (2021).” | “…will be considered for inclusion for the Quality Payment Program Year 6 (2022).” | Alignment with current year |
| 1 (paragraph 1) | “Improvement activities submitted July 1, 2019 or after will be considered for…” | “Improvement activities submitted July 1, 2020 or after will be considered for…” | Alignment with current year |
| 1 (paragraph 2) | “…refer submitters to the 2019 MIPS Improvement Activities list “ | …”refer submitters to the 2020 MIPS Improvement Activities list “ | Alignment with current year |
| 1 (paragraph 2) | “…lists the complete inventory of current improvement activities for the Quality Payment Program Year 2 (2018).” | “…lists the complete inventory of current improvement activities for the Quality Payment Program Year 4 (2020).” | Alignment with current year and updated faster than last year when Year 2 was most recent available |
| 1 (paragraph 3) | “The new list of criteria for CY 2019 and future years would be as follows” | “The current list of acceptance criteria is as follows” | We did not make updates to the criteria in the rule so stated this more simply as current guidance |
|  | * Include a public health emergency as determined by the Secretary; or\* * CMS is able to validate the activity\*   \**New submission criteria for submissions made in CY 2019* | * Include a public health emergency as determined by the Secretary; or * CMS is able to validate the activity | No asterisk and note needed as these are no longer new criteria |