

About QPP Exceptions Applications

<https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/exception-applications?py=2019>

1. Promoting Interoperability Hardship Exception

Certified electronic health record technology (CEHRT) is required for participation in the Promoting Interoperability performance category. Under the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS), you may qualify for a re-weighting of the Promoting Interoperability performance category (to 0%) if you meet certain criteria

2. Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception

MIPS eligible clinicians, groups, and virtual groups may submit an application for re-weighting of any or all MIPS performance categories if they've been impacted by extreme and uncontrollable circumstances that extend beyond the Promoting Interoperability performance category.

Can I Apply for an Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception?

Extreme and uncontrollable circumstances are defined as rare events entirely outside of your control and the control of the facility in which you practice.

These circumstances would cause you to either be:

- Unable to collect information necessary to submit for a performance category, or;
- Unable to submit information that would be used to score a performance category for an extended period of time (for example, if you were unable to collect data for the Quality performance category for 3 months).