



Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting Program FY 2026 Annual Payment Update Reconsideration Process

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Acronyms

APU	annual payment update
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
DACA	Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement
FY	fiscal year
HBIPS	Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services
IMM	Influenza Immunization
IPF	inpatient psychiatric facility
IPFQR	Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting
NOP	Notice of Participation
PRRB	Provider Reimbursement Review Board
SMD	Screening for Metabolic Disorders
SUB	Substance Use
TOB	Tobacco Use
TR-1	Transition Record with Specified Elements Received by Discharged Patients

Purpose

The purpose of today's presentation is to provide information regarding the CMS IPFQR Program annual payment update (APU) reconsideration process for fiscal year (FY) 2026.

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify the IPFQR Program requirements.
- Understand the APU reconsideration process.
- File a Reconsideration Request Form with CMS.

FY 2026 IPFQR Program Reporting Requirements

- Pledge a status of Participating in the IPFQR Program Notice of Participation (NOP).
- Submit the following quality measure and non-measure data:
 - Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (HBIPS)-2 and HBIPS-3
 - Substance Use (SUB)-2/-2a, -3/3a
 - Tobacco Use (TOB)-3/-3a
 - Influenza Immunization (IMM)-2
 - Transition Record with Specified Elements Received by Discharged Patients (TR-1)
 - Screening for Metabolic Disorders (SMD)
 - Facility-level non-measure data
- Complete Data Accuracy and Completeness Acknowledgement (DACA).

FY 2026 IPF Payment Decisions

To participate in the IPFQR Program and qualify to receive the full FY 2026 APU, eligible IPFs must have completed the following requirements by August 18, 2025:

- Have an IPFQR Program NOP status of Participating.
- Submitted measure and non-measure data.
- Completed the DACA.

APU Status Notifications

- Notification letters were sent **September 11, 2025**, to facilities that did not meet one or more of the program requirements.
- Reconsideration Request Forms for decisions are due to CMS **30 days** from the date on the APU decision letter.
- Notifications of APU reconsideration decisions will be sent by CMS to facilities filing a reconsideration approximately 90 days after the Reconsideration Request Form is submitted.

APU Reconsideration Process on QualityNet

An overview of the APU reconsideration process for the IPFQR Program is available on the **APU Reconsideration** page on QualityNet:
<https://www.qualitynet.org/ipf/ipfqr/apu#tab2>

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APU Recipients

APU Reconsideration

- On the QualityNet home page, click on the **Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities** button.
- In the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program box, click the **Learn more** button.
- Click on **APU** in the top menu. Then, select **APU Reconsideration**.
- You will see the overview page for the IPFQR Program APU reconsideration process for FY 2026.

Reconsideration Request

- Provide the CMS-identified reason(s) why the facility did not meet the APU requirement.
- Specify your reason(s) for believing the facility did meet the quality reporting program requirement(s) and should receive the full APU.
- Include any supporting information or documentation by attaching a PDF file with your completed APU Reconsideration Request Form.
- Submit the Reconsideration Request Form via one of the methods listed below.
 - *Hospital Quality Reporting Secure Portal* Managed File Transfer and the QRFormsSubmission@hsag.com email address
 - Secure fax: (877) 789-4443
 - Email: QRFormsSubmission@hsag.com

PRRB Appeal

- If a facility is dissatisfied with the decision of the CMS APU reconsideration determination, the facility may file a Provider Reimbursement Review Board (PRRB) appeal.
- An appeal:
 - Can only be submitted after the facility has submitted a request for reconsideration and received a decision on the request.
 - Can be submitted up to 180 days following the IPF reconsideration notification date.
- Details about the PRRB appeal process are on the CMS website: <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Review-Boards/PRRBReview/index>

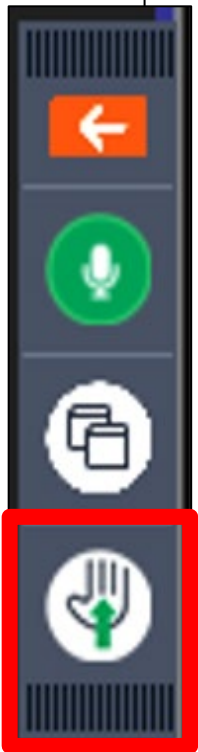
Questions

- Questions regarding the APU reconsideration process go to the National Support Team for the IPFQR Program:
 - IPFQualityReporting@hsag.com
 - (844) 472-4477
- If you have questions about a reconsideration request that you already submitted, please reach out to Reconsideration@cms.hhs.gov.
- Please contact Inpatient and Outpatient Healthcare Quality Systems Development and Program Support with additional questions about the IPFQR Program:
https://cmsqualitysupport.servicenowservices.com/qnet_qa?id=ask_a_question

Questions



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