

Table 12: The ACI Measure Set—At a Glance

If your EHR system is a 2015-edition CEHRT, it should have the functionality to support the 15 measures in the ACI measure set.

- **The 5 red measures** are base score measures. These are mandatory. You must successfully perform and report all 5 to get a base score of 50% (the maximum possible); fall short and you score 0% for both the base

score and your whole ACI score.

- **The 9 italicized measures** are performance score measures. Three of them are also base score measures and are therefore mandatory; the other 6 are optional.
- **The 4 blue measures** are registry bonus measures. You only need to be successful with 1 of those 4 measures to earn the full 5% registry bonus.

Base Score	Measure	How to Report	Required or Optional?	Performance Score	Registry Bonus Score
0% or 50%	Security Risk Analysis	Yes/No	Required		
	e-Prescribing*	n/d	Required		
	<i>Provide Patient Access</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Required</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Send a Summary of Care*</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Required</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Request/Accept Summary of Care*</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Required</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Patient-Specific Education</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Optional</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>View, Download, or Transmit (VDT)</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Optional</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Secure Messaging</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Optional</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Patient-Generated Health Data</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Optional</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Clinical Information Reconciliation</i>	<i>n/d</i>	<i>Optional</i>	0%-10%	
	<i>Immunization Reporting</i>	Yes/No	Optional	0% or 10%	
	Syndromic Surveillance Reporting	Yes/No	Optional		0% or 5% [†]
	Electronic Care Reporting	Yes/No	Optional		0% or 5% [†]
	Public Health Registry Reporting	Yes/No	Optional		0% or 5% [†]
	Clinical Data Registry Reporting	Yes/No	Optional		0% or 5% [†]

How to report ACI measures. Some require you to attest that you did successfully perform the measure (attest “yes”); others require you to submit a numerator (n) and

a denominator (d). For most performance score measures, your score will be based on your performance rate (the n/d ratio).

Base score (0% or 50%) + Performance score (0%-90%) + registry bonus (0% or 5%) + CEHRT for improvement activities bonus (0% or 10%; see page 27) = ACI score (which is capped at 100%).

* Under the proposed MIPS rule for 2018, CMS has included exclusions for these 3 measures that would—if included in the final rule—apply retroactively to the 2017 performance year. † Note: The registry bonus is capped at 5%.

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Build on your experience. “If you have previously been successful attesting to meaningful use, continue your current workflows to maximize ACI points. First, meet the base measures, then look to the (familiar) performance measures for additional points. Don’t forget to take advantage of the bonus points in this category. [See “There

Are 2 Bonuses Available,” page 27.]” —*e-Talk participant*

The Secure Messaging measure. “Secure message all surgery dates/times through the secure portal and make the patient confirm receipt. This is an easy way to meet the Secure Messaging measure.” —*e-Talk participant*

The ACI Measure Set

Below are the CMS definitions for the ACI measure set.

Security Risk Analysis. For definition, see page 29.

- Required for base score.
- Contribution to performance score: 0%

e-Prescribing. For definition, see page 29.

- Required for base score.
- Contribution to performance score: 0%

Provide Patient Access. For at least 1 unique patient seen by the MIPS eligible clinician: (1) The patient (or the patient authorized representative) is provided timely access to view online, download, and transmit his or her health information; and (2) The MIPS eligible clinician ensures the patient's health information is available for the patient (or patient-authorized representative) to access using any application of their choice that is configured to meet the technical specifications of the Application Programming Interface (API) in the MIPS eligible clinician's certified EHR technology.

- Required for base score.
- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Send a Summary of Care. For at least 1 transition of care or referral, the MIPS eligible clinician that transitions or refers their patient to another setting of care or health care provider-(1) creates a summary of care record using certified EHR technology; and (2) electronically exchanges the summary of care record.

- Required for base score.
- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Request/Accept Summary of Care. For at least 1 transition of care or referral received or patient encounter in which the MIPS eligible clinician has never before encountered the patient, the MIPS eligible clinician receives or retrieves and incorporates into the patient's record an electronic summary of care document.

- Required for base score.
- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Patient-Specific Education. The MIPS eligible clinician must use clinically relevant information from certified EHR technology to identify patient-specific educational resources and provide electronic access to those materials to at least 1 unique patient seen by the MIPS eligible clinician.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

View, Download, or Transmit (VDT). During the performance period, at least 1 unique patient (or patient-authorized representatives) seen by the MIPS eligible clinician actively engages with the EHR made accessible by the MIPS eligible clinician. An MIPS eligible clinician may meet the measure by either-(1) view, download or transmit to a third party their health information; or (2) access their health information through the use of an API that can be used by applications chosen by the patient and configured to the API in the MIPS eligible clinician's certified EHR technology; or (3) a combination of (1) and (2).

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Secure Messaging. For definition, see page 29.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Patient-Generated Health Data. Patient-generated health data or data from a nonclinical setting is incorporated into the certified EHR technology for at least 1 unique patient seen by the MIPS eligible clinician during the performance period.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Clinical Information Reconciliation. For at least 1 transition of care or referral received or patient encounter in which the MIPS eligible clinician has never before encountered the patient, the MIPS eligible clinician performs clinical information reconciliation. The MIPS eligible clinician must implement clinical information reconciliation for the following three clinical information sets: (1) Medication. Review of the patient's medication, including the name, dosage, frequency, and route of each medication. (2) Medication allergy. Review of the patient's known medication allergies. (3) Current Problem list. Review of the patient's current and active diagnoses.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Immunization Registry Reporting. The MIPS eligible clinician is in active engagement with a public health agency to submit immunization data and receive immunization forecasts and histories from the public health immunization registry/immunization information system (IIS).

- Contribution to performance score: 0%-10%

Note: The registry bonus is capped at 5%.

Syndromic Surveillance Reporting. The MIPS eligible clinician is in active engagement with a public health agency to submit syndromic surveillance data from a urgent care ambulatory setting where the jurisdiction accepts syndromic data from such settings and the standards are clearly defined. Earn a 5% bonus in the ACI score for submitting to 1 or more public health or clinical data registries.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%

Electronic Case Reporting. The MIPS eligible clinician is in active engagement with a public health agency to electronically submit case reporting of reportable conditions. Earn a 5% bonus in the ACI score for submitting to 1 or more public health or clinical data registries.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%

Public Health Registry Reporting. The MIPS eligible clinician is in active engagement with a public health agency to submit data to public health registries. Earn a 5% bonus in the ACI score for submitting to 1 or more public health or clinical data registries.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%

Clinical Data Registry Reporting. The MIPS eligible clinician is in active engagement to submit data to a clinical data registry. Earn a 5% bonus in the ACI score for submitting to 1 or more public health or clinical data registries.

- Contribution to performance score: 0%