

# What you should do in response

Use this checklist to guide your 2021 QPP strategy. These are the main areas on which to focus in response to this year’s final rule, based on whether you participate in an Advanced APM, MIPS APM, or traditional MIPS.

## 1 Advanced APM

- Confirm whether you’ll be a QP through the [QPP Participation Status Tool](#). Results from first QP determination snapshot for 2021 are expected in July.
- Prepare a MIPS reporting backup plan should you not achieve QP status.
- To prepare for rising QP thresholds in 2023, monitor your QP threshold scores and implement initiatives to engage patients to boost attribution.

## 2 MIPS APM

- Decide on either APP or traditional MIPS reporting for 2021.
- Evaluate whether to report APP quality measures through eCQMs or MIPS CQMs. To estimate your performance score, use our [APP Reporting Method Comparison Tool](#).
- Plan for CMS Web Interface to sunset in 2022.

## 3 Traditional MIPS

- Evaluate opportunities to boost your score across performance categories. For example, consider attesting to the new HIE Bi-Directional Exchange measure to boost your PI performance.
- Aim for the exceptional performance threshold of 85 points to maximize your positive payment adjustment.
- Consider applying for an Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception if you’ve been significantly impacted by Covid-19 and expect to score below 60 points.
- Participate in the [MVP development process](#).