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The HSCRC will not incorporate downside risk in EQIP because it does not have the ability to directly adjust physician fee-for-service payments.

However, the HSCRC has created a dissavings policy to ensure that EQIP drives meaningful improvements in cost efficiency and quality. There are two components of the EQIP dissavings policy for EQIP Entities:

- ***Annual Accountability***
- ***Removal Accountability***



Annual Accountability

Prior to earning an incentive payment, EQIP Entities are required to offset any cumulative dissavings from prior performance years.



Removal Accountability

An EQIP Entity is removed from EQIP if it generates dissavings in ***two consecutive*** performance years and its baseline-period performance across all clinical episode categories in which it participates ranks in the lower two terciles of the tiered Shared Savings Rate. Care Partners participating with the Entity in both consecutive years of dissavings will not be eligible to participate in EQIP the following year.



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