Advanced Alternative

Payment Model (AAPM)

The Episode Quality

Improvement Program (EQIP)

# EQIP AS AN AAPM

**Quality Payment Program (QPP)** 

The Merit-based Incentive

Payment System (MIPS)

# **CMS QUALITY PAYMENT PROGRAM**

The Quality Payment Program (QPP) was created in 2017 to reward Medicare practitioners who provide high-quality and patient-centered care.

QPP has two tracks:

EUIP Quality Improvement Program

- AAPM
- MIPS

# EQIP AS AN AAPM

The Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) developed EQIP as an Advanced Alternative Payment Model (AAPM).

Practitioners in EQIP are on the AAPM track of the QPP.

# QUALIFYING APM PARTICIPANTS

Practitioners in EQIP are considered Qualifying APM Participants (QPs).

#### For CY2025 & beyond, QPs will:

- Be exempt from MIPS reporting and MIPS payment adjustments.
- Receive an increased physician fee schedule update based on the QP conversion factor.

1. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. (2024). QPP Overview - QPP. Available here



