








KEY PLAYERS

Lead Care Partner 	<p>A Lead Care Partner (LCP) is a practitioner who initiates the creation of an EQIP Entity. The LCP will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have access to the EQIP Entity Portal (EEP). • Submit Care Partner information and select EQIP Episodes and Care Intervention Categories during enrollment. • Receive updates on Entity's status throughout enrollment and the Performance Year.
Care Partner 	<p>Care Partners are general practitioners, specialists, or other CMS-approved practitioners who enroll and participate in EQIP. Care Partners will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trigger EQIP Episodes and perform EQIP Care Interventions. • Sign a Care Partner Arrangement (contract). • Receive normal fee-schedule payments from Medicare and a potential "Incentive Payment" with the EQIP Entity. • Be eligible to achieve Quality Payment Program Status and bonuses.
EQIP Entity 	<p>An EQIP Entity is an individual Care Partner or a group of Care Partners that enroll and participate in EQIP together. Each EQIP Entity will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be evaluated on cost and quality performance in selected Clinical Episode Categories. <p>*Any earned incentive payments will be due to the EQIP Entity.</p>
Administrative Proxy 	<p>An Administrative Proxy could be a practice manager, an external consultant, or whoever the EQIP Entity would like to engage to help them manage participation and monitor performance in the program. Administrative Proxies will have access to the EQIP Entity Portal (EEP) and be able to complete enrollment for the Entity.</p>
CRP Entity 	<p>The Care Redesign Program (CRP) Entity is responsible for aggregating Care Partner Agreements and issuing incentive payments to the payment remission source indicated by the EQIP Entity.</p>
HSCRC & CRISP 	<p>The Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) and CRISP are the EQIP program administrators. They are responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculating episodes, monitoring performance and determining Incentive Payments. • Maintaining reporting and monitoring requirements with CMS. • Facilitating EQIP Entity and Care Partner Enrollment, Reporting and Learning Systems. • Assisting with contracting and Incentive Payment distribution from the CRP Entity.
MedChi 	<p>MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, has partnered closely with the HSCRC and CRISP to help develop and support EQIP. MedChi assists with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach, education, and enrollment. • Advocacy for EQIP and its participants. • EQIP Entity creation and administrative support.

