




Participation Requirements



Participation Checklist

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-  Be enrolled in the Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System (PECOS)
-  Use Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT)
-  Be onboarded with CRISP, Maryland's Health Information Exchange
-  Meet EQIP Episode volume thresholds





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Examples:

- Doctors of Medicine
- Doctors of Osteopathy
- Physician Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners
- Physical Therapists

****Please note there may be other CMS approved practitioners who are eligible for EQIP that are not listed here.***





Be enrolled in the Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System (PECOS)

To check your PECOS enrollment, please visit the [PECOS Lookup](#).

For more information on PECOS, please visit <https://www.cms.gov>.





Use Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT)

To check if your EHR is certified, please visit the [Certified Health IT Product List](#) or contact your EHR vendor.

For more information on CEHRT, please visit <https://www.cms.gov>.





Be onboarded with CRISP, Maryland's Health Information Exchange

All EQIP participants must be onboarded with CRISP.

To learn more about CRISP or to move forward with onboarding, please contact equip@crisphealth.org.





Meet EQIP Episode volume thresholds

The Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) requires each EQIP Entity to meet three minimum episode volume thresholds during the baseline period to be eligible to participate in the clinical episode categories they choose.

- Calendar Year 2019 is EQIP's baseline period.
 - In Performance Year 5 (CY2026), Emergency Department Episodes **ONLY** will use Calendar Year 2023 as the baseline period.
1. The EQIP Entity must be attributed 11 or more clinical episodes within each selected clinical episode category during the baseline period.
 2. The EQIP Entity must be attributed 50 or more clinical episodes across ALL clinical episode categories selected during the baseline period.
 3. 75% of Care Partners in an EQIP Entity must have at least one claim with a non-excluded beneficiary who triggered a clinical episode in each clinical episode category chosen during the baseline period.
 - This claim threshold is 50% for EQIP Entities with 10 or fewer Care Partners



Email equip@crisphealth.org to determine your baseline episode volume.

Want to Learn More?

Visit the full [EQIP Curriculum](#) to explore comprehensive learning modules and deepen your understanding of Maryland's Episode Quality Improvement Program (EQIP).

