



## COMPLETING IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES THROUGH AOA MORE

This tutorial will address the **2018 MIPS Improvement Activities** category. You'll learn how AOA MORE can help you achieve maximum points in this category and avoid a negative payment adjustment in 2020.

- Anyone who is enrolled in AOA MORE, regardless of EHR vendor integration status, can participate in the Improvement Activities offered through the registry.
- For "SMALL" practices (15 or fewer clinicians), you must complete 2 medium-weighted activities to earn full points for this category. Also, by earning full points in the Improvement Activity category, you will meet the MIPS minimum reporting threshold and avoid a negative payment adjustment in 2020!

### Accessing Your AOA MORE Dashboard

Using either **Google Chrome** or **Firefox** browser, go to [www.aoa.org/MORE](http://www.aoa.org/MORE).

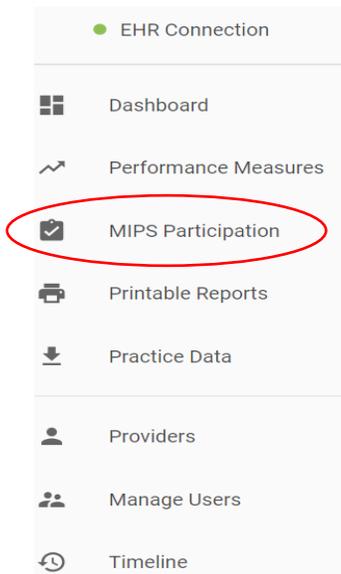
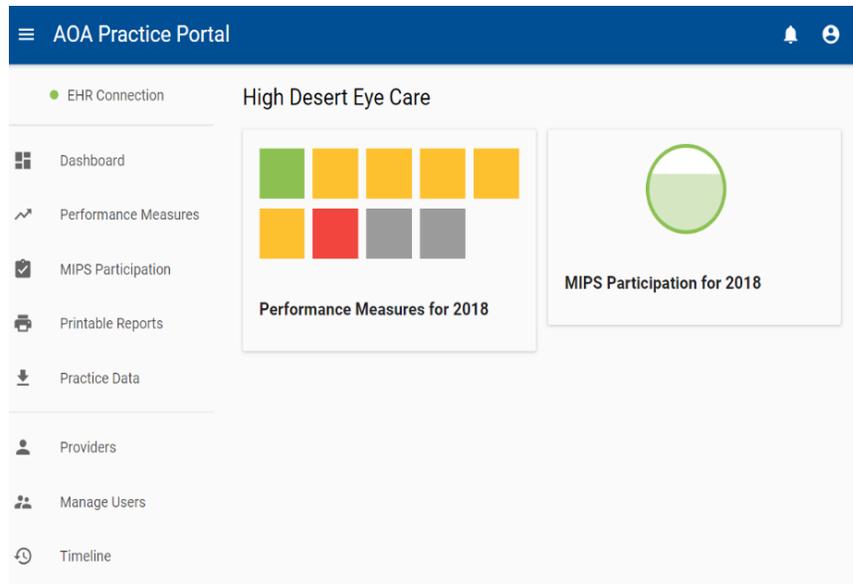
This will bring you to the AOA MORE landing page. From here, select the yellow REGISTRY LOGIN button. You will be asked to login with your AOA credentials.

Please note that you will need to use your full 8-digit AOA member number as your username. Add zeros to the start if you are below that 8-digit requirement. Enter your password and press GO.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If you are using something other than your AOA member ID number as your username for AOA web

access, please contact us through the HELP DESK button or by emailing [QualityImprovement@aoa.org](mailto:QualityImprovement@aoa.org) to have this changed. The registry requires your 8-digit AOA membership number as a username.

This is the new **AOA MORE landing page**. The registry platform has been upgraded and new features continue to be added. If your vendor is not currently pushing 2018 data into the registry, you will see **grey** boxes in this area. These 9 boxes represent the quality measures that AOA MORE collects and the colors designate performance to date.



From the left side navigation bar, select **“MIPS Participation.”** When you open this page, you’ll see quality measures results at the top. Scroll down and you’ll see Promoting Interoperability. Scroll a little further and you’ll come to Improvement Activities.

AOA MORE default listing offers several medium weighted Improvement Activities. For small practices with 15 or fewer providers, two medium weighted options will help you meet this requirement and earn full points for the category. Improvement Activities must be reported for 90-days. October 1<sup>st</sup> started the final 90-day reporting period for 2018.

The example below shows what you will see as you scroll down to the Improvement Activities section. All providers enrolled in AOA MORE that fall under the practice tax ID number (TIN) will be listed here.

*NOTE: If reporting as a GROUP, only one provider under the TIN needs to complete an activity and those points will be applied to the GROUP.*

## Improvement Activities

Medium-Weight Measures		
Participation in a QCDR, that promotes collaborative learning network opportunities that are interactive.		 
 Dr. Archimedes the Owl	Yes	
Participation in a QCDR, that promotes implementation of patient self-action plans.		 
 Dr. Archimedes the Owl	Yes	
Participation in a QCDR, that promotes use of patient engagement tools.		 
 Dr. Archimedes the Owl	Yes	

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Description

Take advantage of the many educational opportunities provided through AOA MORE. Refer to the "Announcements" feature on your AOA MORE dashboard to learn of new webinars and Office Hour sessions that will help you sharpen skills, advance quality improvement and improve patient care. Follow the links below to access recorded webinars and other educational offerings. Make note of the session titles and the date you participated. You will be able to attest to CMS directly from the AOA MORE Attestation Portal that you completed this activity during a specific 90-day period. The AOA MORE Attestation Portal will open in early 2019.

EYELEARN: An exclusive AOA member benefit, EyeLearn is an easy-to-use centralized online learning resource. EyeLearn offers you a secure learning environment, assessment quizzes, enhanced PowerPoints, E-learning modules and self-guided core sections. Start learning now at: <http://aoa.peachnewmedia.com/store/provider/provider09.php>

Webinars: To view previously recorded AOA webinars on MIPS participation or optometric coding changes, visit: <https://www.aoa.org/advocacy/webinars>

OK

Click on the "information" circle on the right to expand the activity. For this first activity, **"Participation in a QCDR (AOA MORE) that promotes collaborative learning network opportunities that are interactive"** we have provided links for pre-recorded educational presentations that will help you meet the objective.

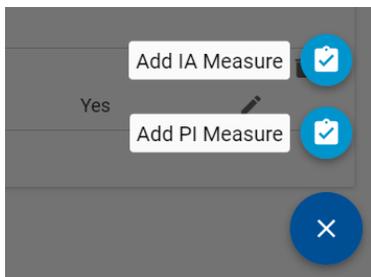
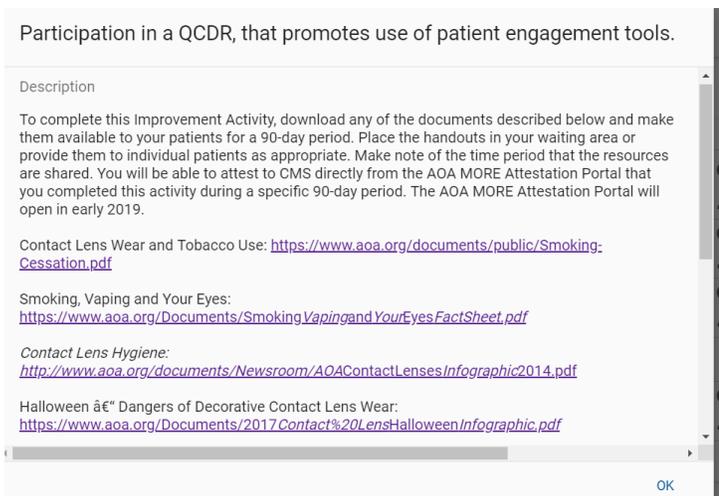
The AOA offers **EyeLearn** as a member benefit. This is an outstanding platform that provides education, practice pearls, and strategies to help you improve your knowledge to provide the best and most up to date patient care possible. This platform also allows you to track your progress on courses and keeps a record of the courses you have taken.

The AOA offers guidance and the latest information on **coding for optometry**. Access these recorded informational webinars and take part in upcoming MIPS webinars as another way to enhance your knowledge. These are member-protected resources, so you'll have to login to access the webinars and EyeLearn.

After you've watched one of these webinars, make a note of the topic, date that you watched and print out the handouts. Place these in your 2018 MIPS documentation folder in the case of an audit.

If you select “**Participation in a QCDR that promotes use of patient engagement tools**” and expand the box, you’ll find a list of resources that can be downloaded and shared with your patients. Scroll down once the box is expanded as there are multiple resources available.

Place handouts in your waiting area to allow patients easy access to these helpful resources or provide condition-related resources during the examination.



If you are participating in the Southern New England Practice Transformation Network (SNE-PTN) and would like to use AOA MORE to attest this Improvement Activity to CMS, click the large blue circle at the bottom right of the page. Then select “Add IA Measure.” Activities are listed alphabetically per the Quality Payment Program (QPP) descriptions. Scroll down until you come to “TCPI Participation” and check the box. This action adds the activity to your dashboard. You would then select the edit “pencil” icon and click YES.

## Documenting Improvement Activities

As stated above, keep a 2018 MIPS Documentation file. If you download materials, watch a webinar, provide a self-action plan or any other action required for an activity, make note of the date and keep of copy of the resource in your documentation file. Attestation to CMS will be by YES and NO checkboxes. No additional documentation is required at the time of attestation.

## Attestation

Attestation for the 2018 MIPS program year must be completed between Jan. 2 and March 31, 2019 through either the CMS portal (location to be shared later) or right here within your **AOA MORE dashboard**. In January, we will be opening an AOA MORE Attestation Tab that links

directly to CMS and we'll provide education at that time about the steps required to attest through AOA MORE.

If you have additional questions, please contact us at [QualityImprovement@aoa.org](mailto:QualityImprovement@aoa.org) or by calling the **AOA MORE Hotline at 314-983-4270**.