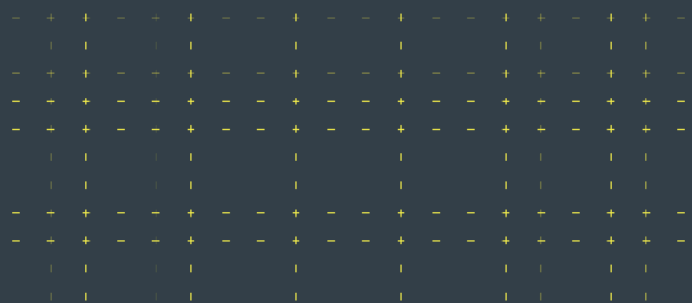




# Quality Improvement Practice Incentive Payment

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To receive a PIP QI payment general practices must:

- be eligible for the PIP
- register for the PIP QI Incentive
- electronically submit the PIP Eligible Data Set to their local PHN quarterly
- undertake continuous quality improvement activities in partnership with their local PHN.

Practices are able to register for the Incentive from 1 August 2019 using their Provider Digital Access (PRODA) through Health Professionals Online service (HPOS).

Practices should notify Capital Health Network when they apply and withdraw from the PIP QI Incentive.

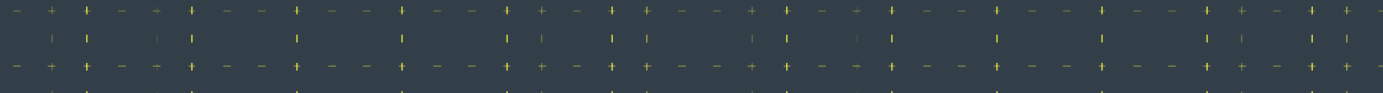
# 10 Improvement Measures

1. Proportion of patients with diabetes with a current HbA1c result
2. Proportion of patients with a smoking status
3. Proportion of patients with a weight classification
4. Proportion of patients aged 65 and over who were immunised against influenza
5. Proportion of patients with diabetes who were immunised against influenza
6. Proportion of patients with COPD who were immunised against influenza
7. Proportion of patients with an alcohol consumption status
8. Proportion of patients with the necessary risk factors assessed to enable CVD assessment
9. Proportion of female patients with an up-to-date cervical screening
10. Proportion of patients with diabetes with a blood pressure result.

- The PIP QI Incentive rewards practices for participating in continuous quality improvement activities in partnership with their local PHN.
- Practices may focus their quality improvement activities on the specified Improvement Measures. There are no prescribed targets associated with any of the Improvement Measures.

Alternatively, practices may focus their quality improvement activities on any other areas informed by their clinical information system data that meet the needs of their practice population.

- The PIP QI Incentive is administered by the Department of Human Services (Human Services). Human Services will make the PIP QI payment quarterly to the nominated bank account of the practice. The first payment will be made in November 2019.
- Eligible practices can receive a maximum payment of \$12,500 per quarter, based on \$5.00 per Standardised Whole Patient Equivalent, per year. In order to receive a payment general practices must have submitted their quarterly data at least once during the data submission period for that quarter.



# Standardised Whole Patient Equivalent (SWPE)

- PIP practice payments are based on a measure of the practice size known as the SWPE
- The SWPE is calculated by Medicare using MBS claims by patients attending the practice during a 12 month period
- The SWPE value of a practice is the sum of the fractions of care provided to practice patients, weighted for the age and sex of each patient.
- As a guide, the average full-time general practitioner (GP) has a value of around 1,000 each year.

- The total care for each patient equals 1.0 and is known as the Whole Patient Equivalent (WPE).
- It is based on GP and other non-referred consultation items in the MBS, and uses a weighting value rather than the number of consultations per patient.
- The weighed fractions of patient care are then added together, giving the SWPE value for the practice.
- The table gives the values used in weighting for age and gender for November 2016. Weightings are subject to quarterly adjustments

Patient age (years)	< 1	1 to 4	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 to 74	75 +
Female	0.5335	0.8275	0.5208	0.8403	1.0288	1.1054	1.4633	2.2109
Male	0.5751	0.9042	0.5304	0.5399	0.6837	0.9042	1.3227	2.0288



# The importance of providing your patient with 100% care

- For example, in a 12 month period, a patient has \$100 in MBS benefits at Practice A and \$400 at Practice B, to a total of \$500.
- Practice A would be assigned  $\$100/\$500$  or 0.2 of the patient's care.
- Practice B would be assigned  $\$400/\$500$  or 0.8 of the patient's care.

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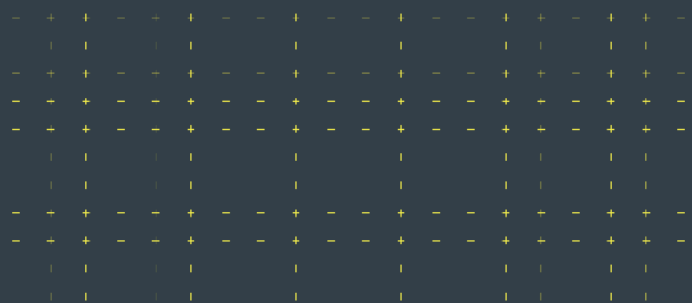
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To understand the PIP QI requirements and PIP data governance arrangements, please refer to the following documents:

- [PIP QI Guidelines](#) - PDF 545 KB
- [PIP QI Guidelines](#) - Word 110 KB
- [Improvement Measures](#) - PDF 216 KB
- [Improvement Measures](#) - Word 90 KB
- [Improvement Measures – Annotated Specifications](#) - PDF 246 KB
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- [PIP Eligible Data Set Data Governance Framework](#) - PDF 500 KB
- [PIP Eligible Data Set Data Governance Framework](#) - Word 98 KB
- [PIP QI Who do I ask](#) - PDF 99 KB
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