

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## MIPS 265: Biopsy Follow-Up FAQs

### **Is this measure reportable via claims?**

No.

### **Do I need to report on this measure every time a patient comes back into the office?**

This measure only needs to be reported once per reporting period.

### **Can I report on this measure if I do not perform the biopsy?**

No, only the biopsying physician can report on this measure.

### **Is this measure for new patients or all patients undergoing a biopsy?**

This measure is only for new patients.

### **Does calling the patient suffice for communicating the results of the biopsy back to the patient?**

Communication methods are to be documented in the biopsy tracking log and patient medical record.

Acceptable communication is defined as the following:

- Directly speaking with the patient or a person designated by the patient to discuss biopsy results
- Documented telephone message or voice mail regarding the availability of biopsy results
- Mailer/fax sent to the patient indicating the availability of biopsy results or discussing the diagnosis itself
- Any HIPAA secure electronic communication with the patient discussing the biopsy results

### **If I have a new patient and send them to someone in my office for a biopsy, can I report this patient?**

You can only report this measure if you are the biopsying physician.

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