

# Medical Quality Improvement Consortium (MQIC) FAQ

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# What is Medical Quality Improvement Consortium (MQIC)?

The Medical Quality Improvement Consortium (MQIC) is a community of GE Healthcare Centricity<sup>™</sup> Practice Solution (CPS) and Centricity<sup>™</sup> EMR (CEMR) customers who contribute deidentified EMR data for research, analytics, and other scientific initiatives to improve the quality of patient care and outcomes. MQIC members make a significant contribution to the advancement of clinical knowledge and population health by contributing to this valuable data resource. The data is anonymized and is HIPAA compliant.

# What are the benefits of participating in the MQIC program?

There are multiple benefits associated with becoming an MQIC member including:

- The option to participate in the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) via GE Healthcare's Quality Submission Services (QSS). GE Healthcare will submit data on behalf of providers and group practices for an additional charge. This service is intended to reduce the administrative burden of PQRS submissions, making it easier for a practice to avoid the payment adjustments and related Value-Based Modifier adjustments for non-submission.
- Opportunities to participate and contribute to real world research such as observational and benchmarking studies, quality of care guidelines, and adverse event reporting, facilitated through GE Healthcare's research partners.

### How much does it cost to participate in MQIC?

There is no cost to join MQIC. Please note however that CPS12 or CEMR9.8 and Clinical Quality Reporting (CQR) are the minimum technical requirements.

### How do I join MQIC?

Customers can join MQIC by downloading and signing the MQIC Member Agreement found on the <u>CPS</u> and <u>CEMR</u> Customer Service Portals or the Quality Reporting Community

Once the agreement is signed, contact CPS/CEMR Support at 888-436-8491 (option 2 then option 3) to complete the process.