



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE 2019 INVITATION May 30, 2018

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Quality Requirements

Update: *On May 22, 2018 the posting of the Technical Guidance and User Guide for the 2019 Plan Year and 2019 Quality Improvement Strategy Implementation Plan and Progress Report was updated on the CMS website.*

With the receipt of the above information NYSoH is granting Applicants an extension until **June 19th** for submission of these documents.

May 25, 2018

Quality Requirements - SHOP

Question: Please advise if the interpretation below is correct:

In reviewing the quality requirements for NY SHOP plans, since we would not have any NY SHOP membership until 1/1/2019, we are interpreting the requirements below, as follows - the HEDIS and enrollee survey requirements (QRS) as well as the QIS requirements would not be applicable until the 2020 NYSoH QHP application for the NY SHOP.

It appears we would only be required potentially to submit a Quality Strategy (QS) for the NY SHOP with the 2019 application. Can you please confirm we would not have any quality submission requirements for the 2019 application submission for the NY SHOP?

Answer: We agree that your interpretation is correct, for 2019 you would only need to submit a Quality Strategy.

May 14, 2018

Quality Requirements

Update: *On the posting of the Technical Guidance and User Guide for the 2019 Plan Year and 2019 Quality Improvement Strategy Implementation Plan and Progress Report.*

We have received additional information from CMS, they understand the time sensitivity of this issue, and are working to publish the QIS guidance. They did indicate there are no substantive changes to the

Plan 2019 QIS Guidance or Form.

To expedite issuers' preparation of submissions, CMS recommends using the 2018 Plan Year QIS Implementation Plan and Progress Report form (QIS form).

With the receipt of the above information NYSoH is granting Applicants an extension until **June 8th** for submission of these documents. We are advising Applicants to use the 2018 Plan Year QIS Implementation Plan and Progress Report Form and the QIS Technical Guidance and User Guide for the 2018 Plan Year for their 2019 submission.

May 9, 2018

Quality Requirements

We are aware the posting of the Technical Guidance and User Guide for the 2019 Plan Year and 2019 Quality Improvement Strategy Implementation Plan and Progress Report have yet to be posted.

We would like to give all Applicants an automatic extension for submission of these documents. We will be requiring the submission of the 2019 QIS Implementation Plan and Progress Report form to be due **4 weeks** from the date of the posting of the CMS resources on their website.

All other plan participation proposal information will still be due on May 25, 2018.

Dental Coverage

Question: Does the plain language description apply to Stand-Alone Dental products as well?

The change for Dental Coverage: includes both QHP & SADP applicants' product descriptions to include a plain language description of what services are included within "Basic" and "Major" dental services.

Answer: This language was added on Page 20 of the invitation under SADP.