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# QPP Clinician Participation Letter

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The federal government granted an exclusion for many physicians to its Quality Payment Program (QPP), which features the Merit-based Incentive Payment System. Physicians – and other QPP-eligible clinicians - are omitted on the basis of billing less than \$30,000 in Medicare Part B allowed charges per year OR providing care for less than 100 Part-B enrolled Medicare patients. According to estimates by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), this represents 35% of all eligible clinicians.

Some physicians may see so few Medicare patients, they may know they don't have to be concerned with this new program. However, others may wonder whether they meet the exclusion. CMS recently announced that the agency will be mailing letters regarding the exclusion. Due in "late April through May," the letters will be issued to your practice via your Medicare Administrative Contractor for Part B claims. CMS pledges that these notifications will be "providing the participation status of each MIPS clinician associated with your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)."

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