

IPFQR Program: Understanding Reporting Periods vs. Fiscal Years

January 1, 2023–December 31, 2026

Calendar Year and Fiscal Year

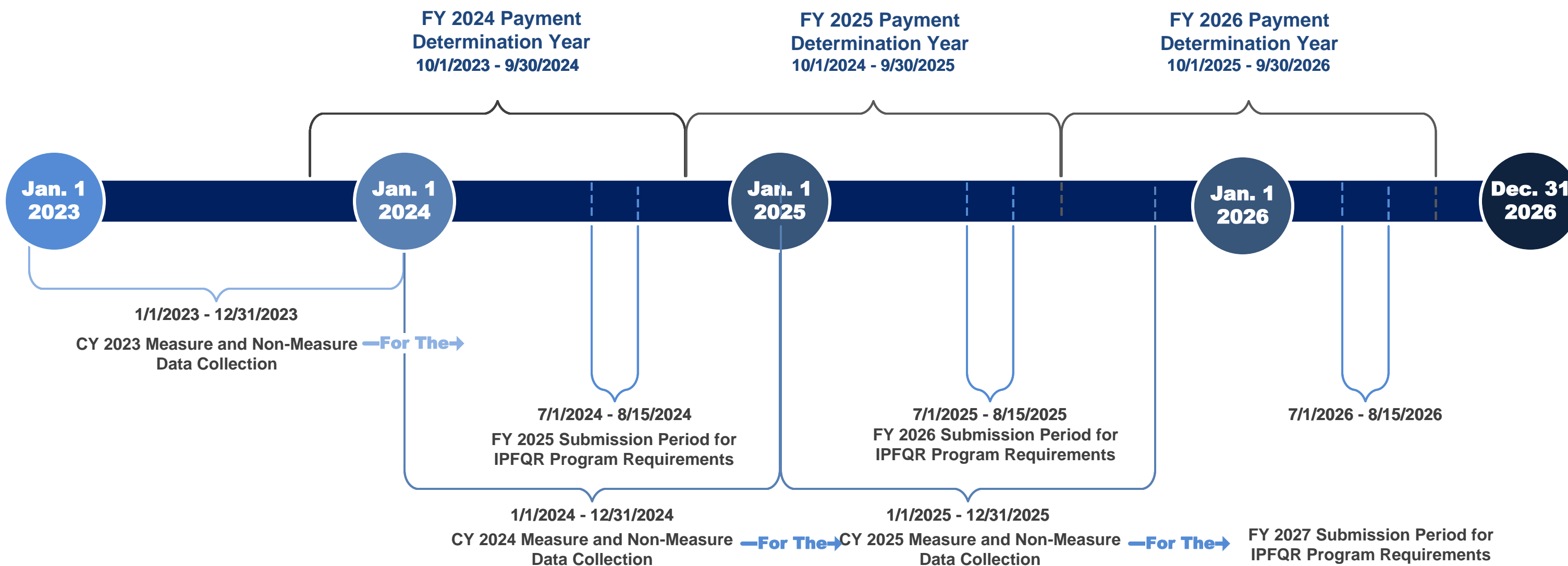
The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) uses quality data that inpatient psychiatric facilities (IPFs) collect **during a reporting period** to make payment decisions for a future year.

- Reporting Period = Calendar Year (CY)
- Fiscal Year (FY) = Payment Year
- Annual Payment Update (APU) = the annual percentage increase that CMS applies to Medicare reimbursement for eligible IPFs

IPF Data → CMS APU Decisions

Submission of CY data is connected to payment in a future FY, as illustrated below.

- IPFs collect data for CY 2023 discharges.
- IPFs submit data to CMS in 2024.
- CMS makes preliminary FY 2025 APU decisions.
- CMS provides IPFs with an opportunity to request reconsiderations of FY 2025 APU decisions.
- CMS makes final FY 2025 APU decisions.



Exceptions

- Data used for claims-based measures are not usually from a single calendar year.
- Data for the Influenza Immunization (IMM-2) measure are collected from October 1 through March 31 of the previous fiscal year. For example, IPFs will collect IMM-2 data from October 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024, and submit the data in the summer of 2024 to impact the FY 2025 payment determination.
- Data for the COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Health Care Personnel measure are collected and submitted to the National Healthcare Safety Network every quarter. Refer to the CMS IPFQR Program Measures and Non-Measure Data paper tool on the QualityNet [IPFQR Program Resources](#) web page.