

# IPFQR Program: Understanding Reporting Periods vs. Fiscal Years

## January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2023

### Calendar Year and Fiscal Year

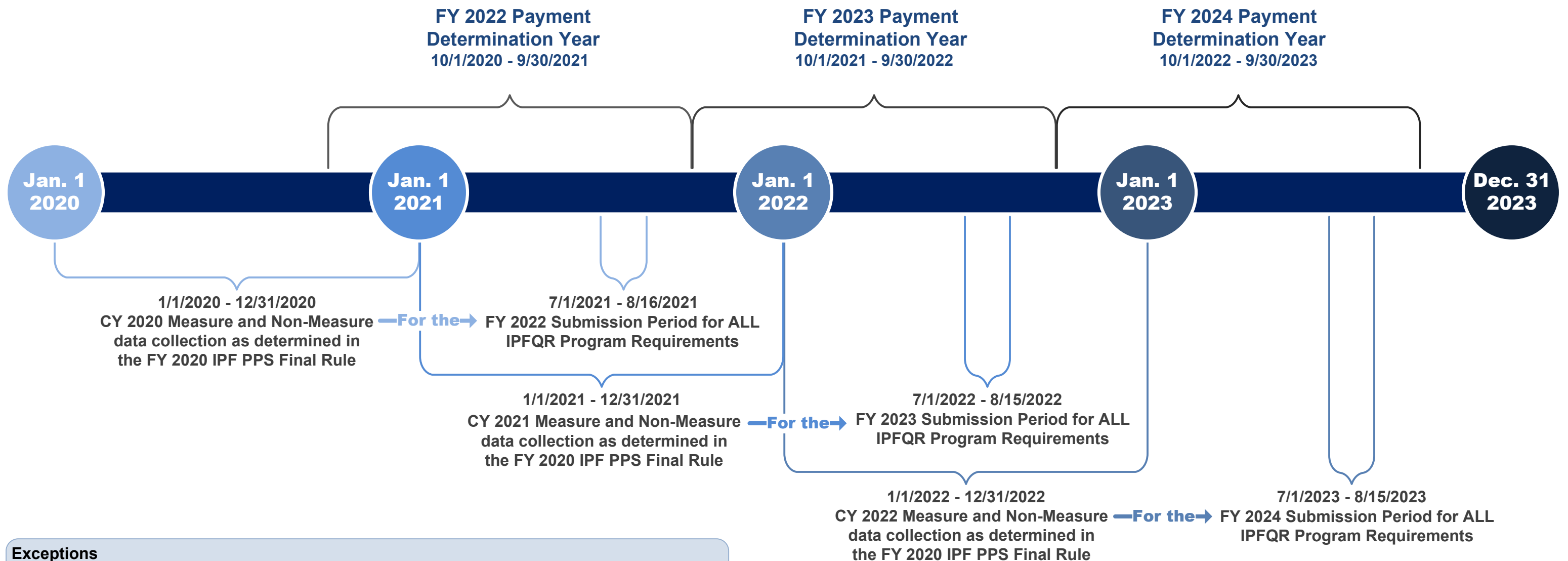
The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) uses quality data **collected** by IPFs **during a reporting period** to make payment decisions for a future year.

- 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 2020 discharges.
- IPFs submit data to CMS in 2021.
- CMS makes preliminary FY 2022 APU decisions.
- CMS provides IPFs with an opportunity to request reconsiderations of FY 2022 APU decisions.
- CMS makes final FY 2022 APU decisions.



### Exceptions

- Data used for claims-based measures (CBMs) are not usually from a single calendar year.
- Data for the 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, 2020–March 31, 2021 and submit the data in 2021 to impact the FY 2022 payment determination.