

IPFQR Program: Understanding Reporting Periods vs. Fiscal Years

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2021

Calendar Year and Fiscal Year

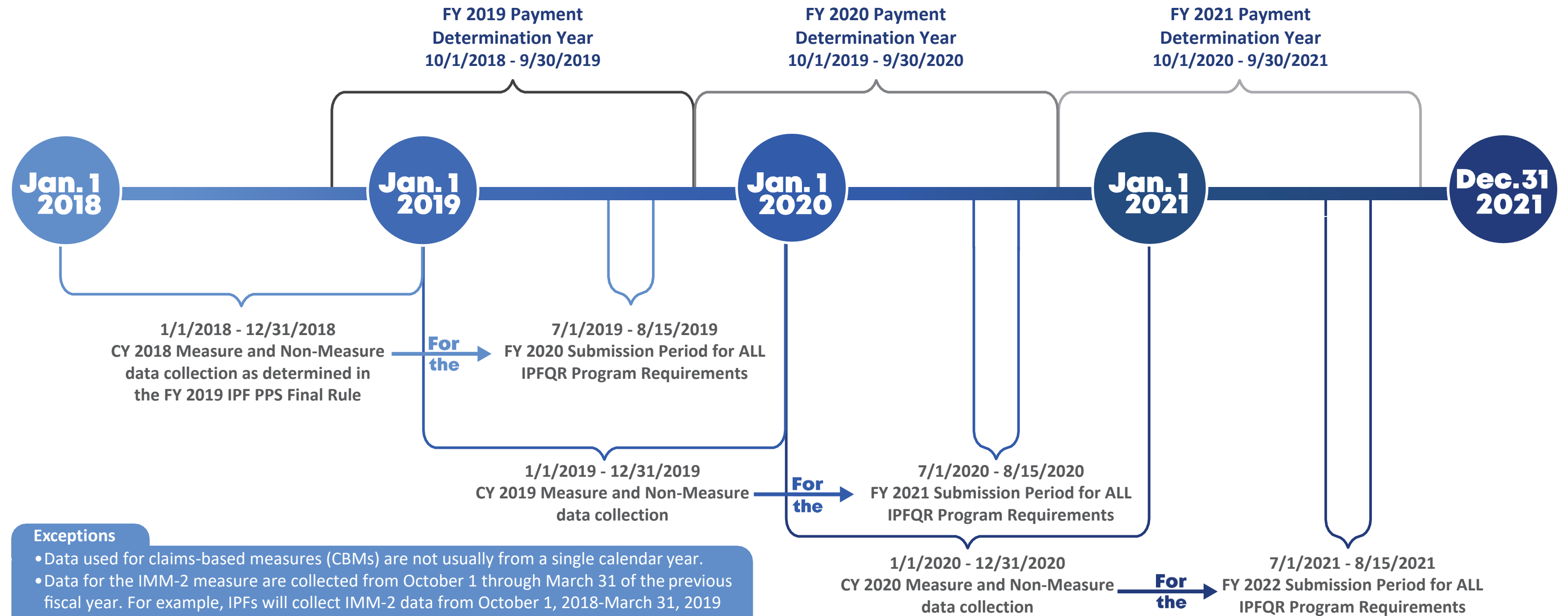
The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) uses quality data **collected** by IPFs **during a reporting period** to make payment decisions for a future year.

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

IPF Data → CMS Annual Payment Update (APU) Decisions

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

- IPFs collect data for CY 2018 discharges.
- IPFs submit data to CMS in 2019.
- CMS makes preliminary FY 2020 APU decisions.
- CMS provides IPFs with an opportunity to request reconsiderations of FY 2020 APU decisions.
- CMS makes final FY 2020 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, 2018-March 31, 2019 and submit the data in 2019 to impact the FY 2020 payment determination.