



**Department
of Health**

Value Based Payment Quality Improvement Program (VBP QIP) Timeline

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VBP QIP Timeline as of March 2017

Please note that the dates included herein are the Department of Health's (DOH's) recommended completion dates for past, present, and upcoming VBP QIP milestones. It is up to individual pairings of VBP QIP partners to determine the exact completion dates for each of the following items. To successfully participate in VBP QIP and to continue to receive payments, these milestones must be met and reported on in the proper order as detailed below, but the exact timing is left to the discretion of the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), in coordination with its paired PPS and Facilities.

Note that dates in **red** must be completed by their listed times and cannot be pushed back.

Group 1 Timeline: Demonstration Year (DY) 1 – 2

The timeline for Group 1 is for participants, who began participating in VBP QIP in DY1.

Milestone	Due Date	Completed
Applications / Contracts		
MCOs submit VBP QIP applications to DOH	August 21, 2015	✓
MCO VBP QIP applications approved by DOH	September 11, 2015	✓
MCOs, Performing Provider Systems (PPS), and Facilities put VBP QIP contract agreements in place ¹	October 9, 2015	✓
Rates / Payments		
DOH finalizes rates and sends to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)/ Division of Budget (DOB) for review	September 18, 2015	✓
DOH effectuates the State share payment to the MCOs	October 14, 2015	✓
MCOs to submit December 2015 interim report (for VBP QIP payment disbursements made during the month of October 2015 - two month lag)	December 4, 2015	✓
January rate adjustments for DY1 approved by CMS	TBD	
April 2016 rates approved by CMS/DOB	November 2016	✓
Governance Document		
MCOs submit VBP QIP Governance Document ² for DOH review	March 7, 2016	✓
DOH completes first round of review of MCO VBP QIP Governance Document and provides comments to the MCOs	April 26, 2016	✓
MCOs submit a revised VBP QIP Governance Document to DOH for review	September 16, 2016	✓

¹ It is expected that the agreements will be put in place to extend through 2020, knowing that these agreements will be amended over time as the program matures.

² MCO Governance Document refers to the documents submit by MCOs that establish governance for VBP QIP.



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Milestone	Due Date	Completed
DOH reviews and approves VBP QIP MCO Governance Document	October 11, 2016	✓
Facility Plan		
DOH to provide a Facility Plan ³ outline to the MCOs for review	September 30, 2015	✓
MCOs submit Facility Plans outline comments to DOH	October 9, 2015	✓
DOH to finalize Facility Plan template guidance with the MCOs, ensuring consistency with VBP Roadmap	October 23, 2015	✓
MCOs develop and issue Facility Plan templates	February 18, 2016	✓
MCOs to issue the Facility Plan template to the PPS for comments	February 18, 2016	✓
Facilities submit draft Facility Plan to PPS for initial review	May 2, 2016	✓
PPS review Facility Plan and return them to facilities for revision	May 27, 2016	✓
Facilities complete Facility Plans and submit to PPS, MCO, and DOH for review	June 20, 2016	✓
Facility Plans reviewed by MCO in collaboration with PPS (final copies should be sent to DOH)	September 16, 2016	✓
DOH to distribute Facility Plan Guidance Packet to VBP QIP partners	January 27, 2017	✓
DOH to release VBP QIP DY3 Guidance Document	March 17, 2017	✓
Facilities submit their updated, MCO approved, final Facility Plan to DOH	March 31, 2017	
Metrics / Benchmarks		
Baseline metrics for future measurement are co-developed by facility, PPS, & MCO (submitted as part of the final Facility Plan)	March 31, 2017	
Benchmarks for reporting & performance set to be revisited quarterly	Ongoing: Quarterly Starting October 1, 2017	
Reporting		
MCO Monthly Reporting to DOH (January to March 2016), for disbursements made October to January 2016 – Manual Submissions ⁴	4th of the Month	✓
MCO Quarterly Reporting to DOH (April 2016 – Ongoing) – MMCOR Submissions	Ongoing: 45 days after Quarter End ⁵	

³ Facility Plans should reflect a distressed facility’s overall approach to improve quality and outcomes in a way that aligns with NYS’ Payment Reform as a means to achieve long-term sustainability.

⁴ Beginning in Q2 of SFY2016-17, monthly reporting should be submitted through the Medicaid Managed Care Operating Report (MMCOR).

⁵ Visit the DOH website to view [DSRIP Timelines](#) for reporting due dates.



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Group 2 Timeline: DY2

The timeline for Group 2 is for participants who began participating in VBP QIP in DY2.

Milestone	Due Date	Completed
Applications / Contracts		
MCOs submit VBP QIP applications to DOH	June 13, 2016	✓
MCO VBP QIP applications approved by DOH	June 17, 2016	✓
MCOs, PPS, and Facilities put VBP QIP contract agreements in place	September 30, 2016	✓
Rates / Payments		
April 2016 rates approved by CMS/DOB	November 2016	✓
DOH effectuates the State share payment to the MCOs	July/August 2016	✓
Governance Document		
MCOs submit VBP QIP Governance Document for DOH review	October 7, 2016	✓
DOH completes first round of review of MCO VBP QIP Governance Document and provides comments to the MCOs	October 21, 2016	✓
MCOs submit a revised VBP QIP Governance Document to DOH for review	December 9, 2016	✓
DOH reviews VBP QIP MCO Governance Document	February 24, 2017	✓
MCOs submit a revised VBP QIP Governance Document to DOH for review (Group 2)	March 24, 2017	
DOH reviews revised VBP QIP Governance Documents and sends updated scorecards to MCOs	March 31, 2017	
Facility Plan		
DOH to provide a Facility Plan outline to the MCOs for review	July 10, 2016	✓
DOH to send Facility Plan template guidance with the MCOs, ensuring consistency with VBP Roadmap	July 10, 2016	✓
MCOs develop and issue Facility Plan templates	September 9, 2016	✓
MCOs to issue the Facility Plan template to the PPSs for comments	September 9, 2016	✓
Facilities submit draft Facility Plan to PPS for initial review	October 14, 2016	✓
PPSs review Facility Plan and return them to facilities for revision	October 28, 2016	✓
Facilities complete Facility Plan and submit to PPS, MCO, and DOH for review	November 11, 2016	✓



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Milestone	Due Date	Completed
Facility Plans reviewed by MCO in collaboration with PPS (final copies should be sent to DOH)	December 9, 2016	✓
DOH to distribute Facility Plan Guidance Packet to VBP QIP partners	January 27, 2017	✓
DOH to release VBP QIP DY3 Guidance Document	March 17, 2017	✓
Facilities to submit updated, MCO approved, final Facility Plan to DOH	March 31, 2017	
Metrics / Benchmarks		
Baseline metrics for future measurement are co-developed by facility, PPS, & MCO (submitted as part of the Facility Plan)	March 31, 2017	
Benchmarks for reporting & performance set to be revisited quarterly	Ongoing: Quarterly Starting October 1, 2017	
Reporting		
MCO Quarterly Reporting to DOH (April 2016 – Ongoing) – MMCOR Submissions	Ongoing: 45 days after Quarter End ¹¹	



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Group 1 and Group 2: DY3 to DY5 Timeline

Beginning in DY3, both groups will have the same timeline. This section will be populated once milestones are established for DYs 3 to 5.

Milestone	Due Date	Completed
Governance Document		
MCOs to make updates to the Governance Plans as appropriate (copies must be sent to DOH)	Ongoing	
Facility Plan		
MCOs to make updates to the Facility Plans as appropriate (copies must be sent to DOH)	Ongoing	
Pay for Reporting (P4R): VBP Contracting		
Facilities must provide paired MCO and DOH with a Letter of Intent (LOI) for at least one VBP contract by July 1, 2017 (LOI may be substituted with a Contract Attestation if a VBP contract already exists by April 1, 2017)	April 1, 2017	
Facilities must provide DOH (only) with the MCO Contract List of current Medicaid Managed Care Contracts including 2015 cost data for each Medicaid Managed Care contract the facility has and should also include projections for which VBP contracts will have a Total Care for General Population (TCGP) value based arrangement by April 1, 2018	April 1, 2017	
Facilities must provide paired MCO and DOH with at least one Contract Attestation confirming parties intend to sign a VBP contract in accordance with the NYS Roadmap	July 1, 2017	
Facilities must provide paired MCO and DOH with LOIs with the remaining Medicaid MCOs for VBP contracts by April 1, 2018 (LOI may be substituted with Contract Attestations if a VBP contract already exist by July 1, 2017)	July 1, 2017	
Facilities must provide DOH (only) with the updated MCO Contract List of current Medicaid Managed Care Contracts including 2016 cost data for each Medicaid Managed Care contract the facility has and should also include projections for which VBP contracts will have a TCGP value based arrangement by April 1, 2018	July 1, 2017	
Facilities must provide paired MCO and DOH with a signed Facility Attestation related to 2016 cost data reported in the Medicaid MCO list	July 1, 2017	
Facilities continue to execute contracts to meet deadline by April 1, 2018	July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	
Facility must provide DOH and their VBP QIP paired MCO Contract Attestations confirming that the partners have indeed signed VBP contracts and that these contracts fulfill the requirements of the	April 1, 2018	



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Milestone	Due Date	Completed
<p>NYS VBP Roadmap. The VBP QIP paired MCO will check contract attestations against LOIs submitted in July 2017</p> <p><i>Note: The VBP QIP facility must have Medicaid MCO contracts where at least 80% of total Medicaid MCO contracted payments (based on the 2016 data reported in the July 1, 2017 MCO Contract List) to the facility are tied to at least Level 1 value based purchasing components</i></p>		
Pay for Performance (P4P): VBP QIP Quality Measurement		
DOH to release the statewide mean for measures for DY4 for AIT measurement	June 2017	
DOH to release the statewide mean for measures for DY5 for AIT measurement	June 2018	
Facilities to submit P4P measures to their paired MCOs	Quarterly: Beginning DY3 Q3, no later than 120 days after close of Quarter	
MCOs to review and approve reports	Quarterly: Beginning DY3 Q3, no later than 45 days after initial submission	
MCOs to notify facilities of decision prepare monthly payments	Quarterly: Beginning DY3 Q3, no later than 180 days after close of Quarter	
Reporting		
MCO Quarterly Reporting to DOH (April 2016 – Ongoing) – MMCOR Submissions	Ongoing: 45 days after Quarter End	
Facilities report on selected measures on quarterly basis	Ongoing: Quarterly	

Group 1 and Group 2: Timeline Diagram

Group 2 completed the first two years of VBP QIP deliverables within one year, using the templates, guidelines, and lessons learned from Group 1 to meet their accelerated milestones.

