

# Quality Methodology



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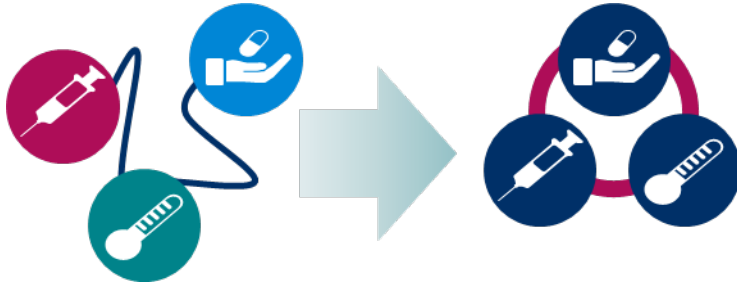
# Webcast Outline

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## *BPCI Advanced Overview*



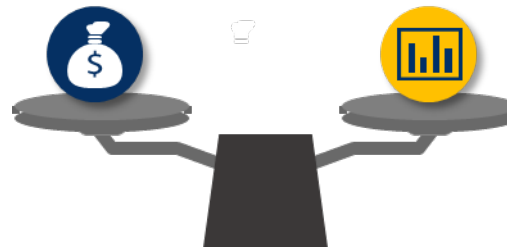
# BPCI Advanced Tests a Different Payment Approach



Shifts emphasis from **individual services** towards a coordinated **Clinical Episode**



Establishes an **“accountable party”**



Clinical Episodes are assessed on the **quality and cost** of care

# Why Bundled Clinical Episodes?

Promotes a patient-centered approach to care by:



Employing Clinical Episodes that are clinically intuitive, concrete, and actionable



Applying lessons learned from Bundled Payments for Care Improvement (BPCI) initiative



Providing important Advanced Alternative Payment Model (Advanced APM) and Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) APM opportunities for specialty physicians

# How is BPCI Advanced Different Than BPCI?



- **Streamlined design**

- One Model, all 90 day episodes
- Single risk track
- Payment is tied to performance on clinically relevant quality measures
- Target Prices are largely set in advance



- Greater focus on **physician engagement and learning**



- Designated as an **Advanced APM** under the Quality Payment Program

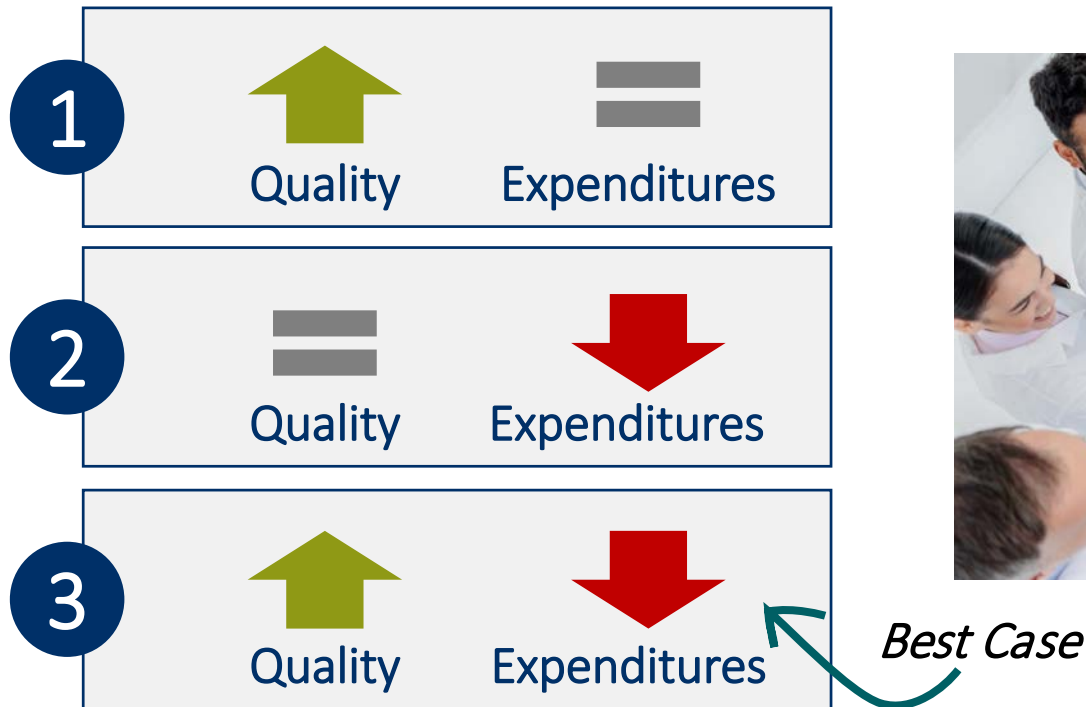


# *Quality Measurement*



# The CMS Innovation Center

The Innovation Center tests innovative payment and service delivery models that are intended to reduce expenditures while preserving or enhancing quality.





# Premise of Value

## Value = Expenditures *and* Quality

- The Positive or Negative Total Reconciliation Amount will be adjusted based on **quality performance**
- The adjustment is limited to a maximum of 10% in 2018 and 2019



# How Does the Quality Payment Program Benefit Clinicians and Patients?

## Clinicians



- Streamlines reporting
- Standardizes measures (evidence-based)
- Eliminates duplicative reporting which allows clinicians to spend more time with patients
- Promotes industry alignment through multi-payer models
- Incentivizes care that focuses on improved quality outcomes

## Patients



- Increases access to better care
- Enhances coordination through a patient-centered approach
- Improves results

# Quality Measures Correlation to Clinical Episodes Model Years 1 & 2

Quality Measure	Guidance	Applicable Clinical Episode Categories
All-cause Hospital Readmission Measure	NQF #1789 QPP #0458	All Inpatient and Outpatient Clinical Episodes
Advance Care Plan*	NQF #0326 QPP #047	All Inpatient and Outpatient Clinical Episodes
Hospital-Level Risk-Standardized Complication Rate (RSCR) Following Elective Primary Total Hip Arthroplasty (THA) and/or Total Knee Arthroplasty (TKA)	NQF #1550	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Double Joint Replacement of the Lower Extremity: MS-DRGs: 461, 462</li> <li>• Major Joint Replacement of the Lower Extremity: MS-DRGs: 469, 470</li> </ul>
Hospital 30-Day, All-Cause, Risk-Standardized Mortality Rate (RSMR) Following Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery (CABG)	NQF #2558	CABG: MS-DRGs: 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236
Excess Days in Acute Care after Hospitalization for Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)	NQF #2881	AMI: MS-DRGs: 280, 281, 282
CMS Patient Safety Indicators	NQF #0531	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Inpatient and Outpatient Clinical Episodes</li> <li>• Clinical Episodes</li> <li>• The CMS PSI 90 will variably apply to individual clinical episodes. Performance on this measure is specific to the clinical episode. (Only included ones that are available)</li> </ul>

\*NQF-endorsed at Physician level; others lacking asterisk are endorsed at the Hospital level.

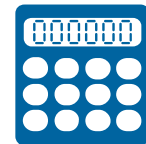
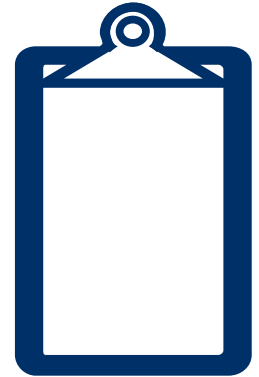
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Perioperative Care: Selection of Prophylactic Antibiotic: First or Second Generation Cephalosporin*	NQF #0268; QPP #021	Back and Neck Except Spinal Fusion (Inpatient and Outpatient) <sup>[2]</sup> MS-DRGs: 518, 519, 520; HCPCS: 62287, 63005, 63011, 63012, 63017, 63030, 63040, 63042, 63045, 63046, 63047, 63056, 63075
		Cervical Spinal Fusion: MS-DRGs: 471, 472, 473
		Combined Anterior Posterior Spinal Fusion: MS-DRGs: 453, 454, 455
		CABG: MS-DRGs: 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236
		Double Joint Replacement of the Lower Extremity: MS-DRGs: 461, 462
		Hip and Femur Procedures Except Major Joint: MS-DRGs: 480, 481, 482
		Lower Extremity and Humerus Procedure Except Hip, Foot, Femur: MS-DRGs: 492, 493, 494
		Major Bowel Procedure: MS-DRGs: 329, 330, 331
		Major Joint Replacement of the Lower Extremity: MS-DRGs: 469, 470
		Major Joint Replacement of the Upper Extremity: MS-DRG: 483
Cardiac Valve: MS-DRGs: 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 266, 267		

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# Quality Measures Submission

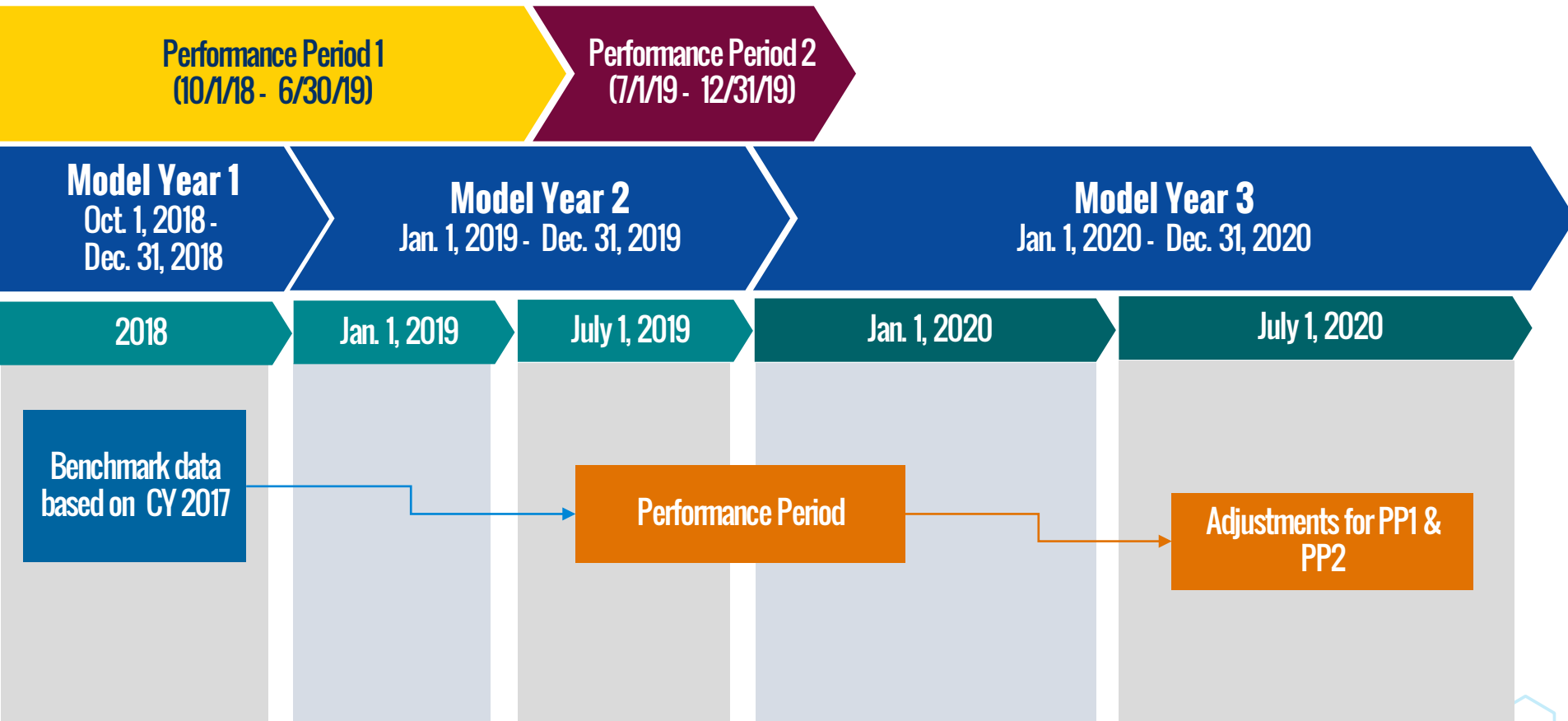
- The Five Inpatient Quality Reporting Measures will be calculated by CMS from Administrative Claims (#1789; #1550; #2558; #2881; #0531).
- The Perioperative Care (#0268) measure will be calculated from MIPS QCDR submission.
- The Advance Care Plan (#0326) will be calculated based on submitted claims, from ANY Physician or Advanced Practice Provider (regardless of BPCI Advanced participation) for the episode time period and nine months prior.
- Performance data is calculated based on Calendar Year data beginning with CY 2019.





# Quality Data Timeline

- The first two Performance Periods are a staggered approach where quality performance is accrued but not initially applied



# Quality Measures: Model Years 3 – 6

Will include claims-based measures through 2020



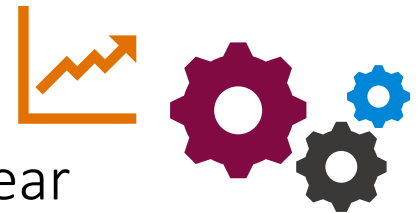
Additional measures with varying reporting mechanisms may be added thereafter



# CMS Plans to Refine Measures for Model Year 3 (2020)

The Innovation Center is working with clinicians to refine the quality measures aligned with the model.

Aspirational Goals: 

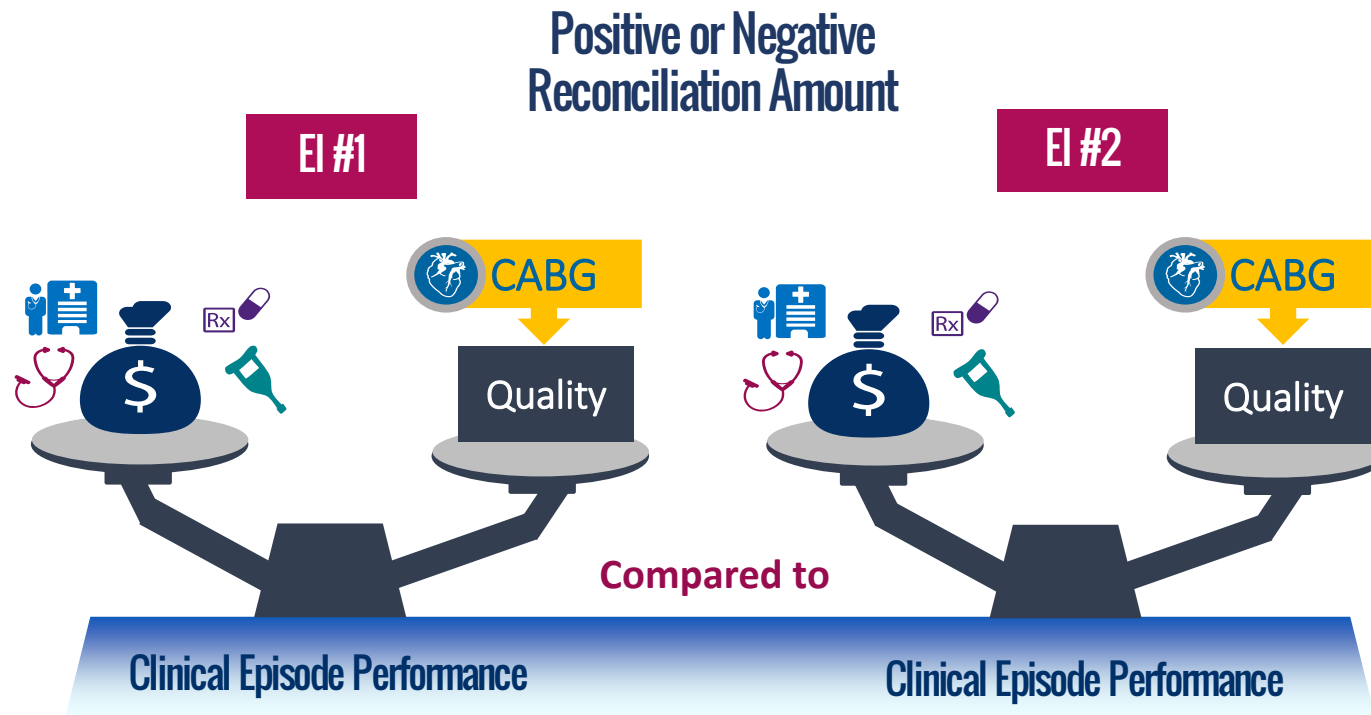


- Measures should be evidence based and have a clear relationship to quality;
- Measure sets should be timely, actionable, and should reflect care delivered within the model;
- Measure selection should minimize participant burden;
- Data are readily available for incorporation into the model.

## *Application of Quality Measures*



# Quality Measure Performance



## Clinician Tip

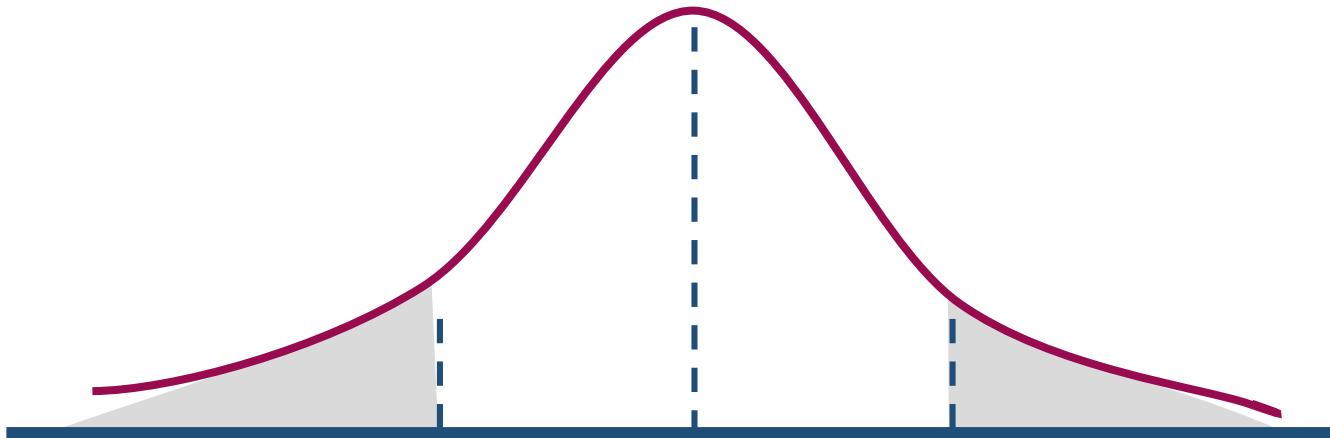


- Not all of the measures apply to all of the Clinical Episodes.
- Quality measure performance is only compared across the same clinical episodes.



# Quality Measures Assessed by Clinical Episode

- Performance is relative to peers
- For each Quality Measure, raw data is converted into scaled scores using deciles



# Clinical Episode Quality Scores are Combined into a Composite Quality Score (CQS)

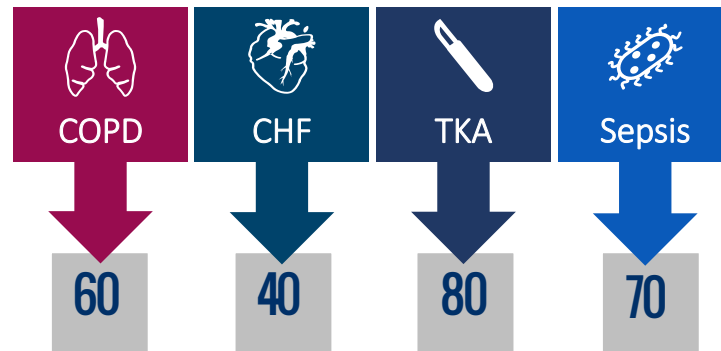
**Composite Quality Score is Calculated at the Episode Initiator Level**



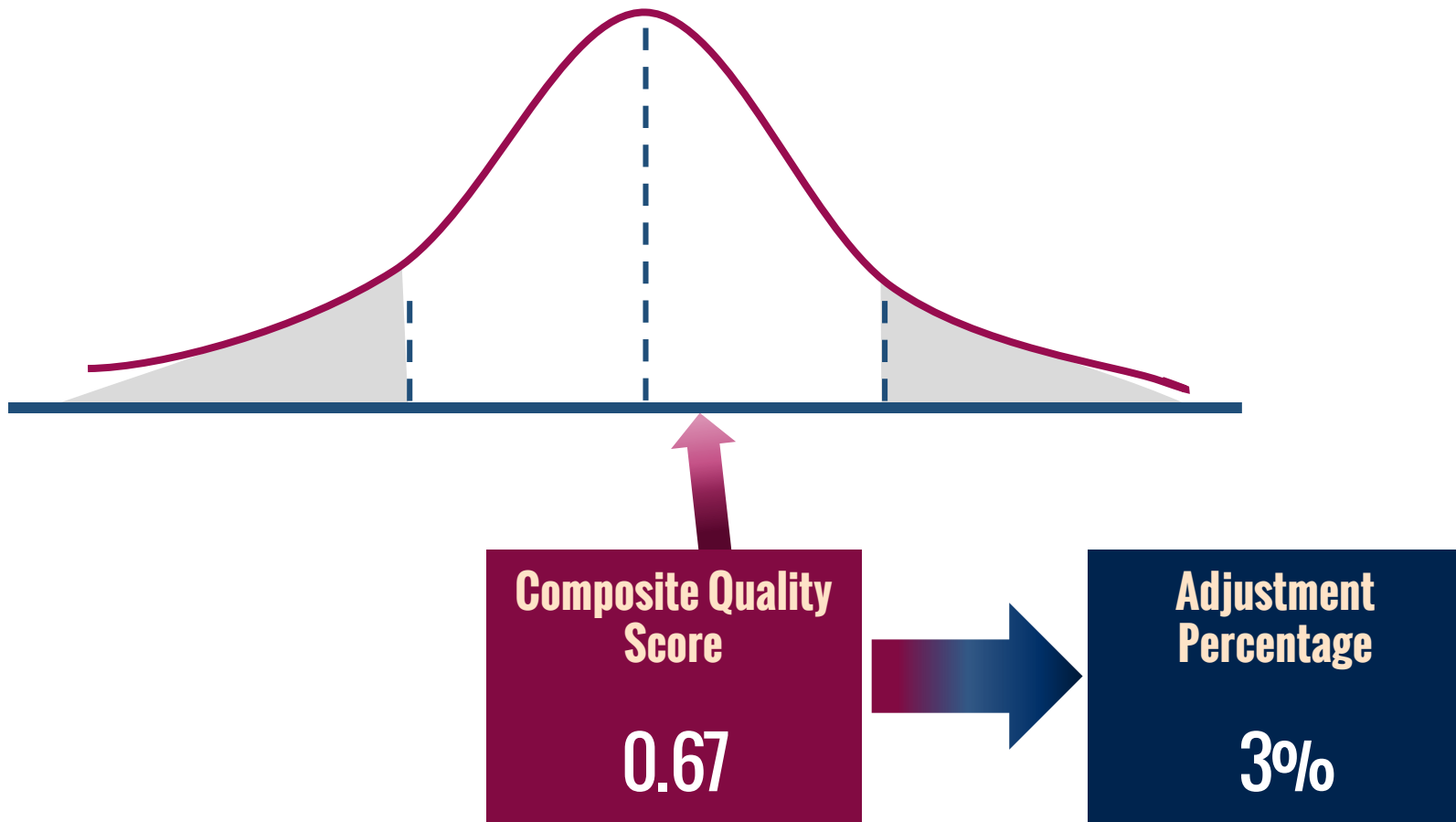
Episode Initiator (PGP/ACH)

62

**Quality Score is Calculated at the Clinical Episode Level**



# Composite Quality Score (CQS) Converted to CQS Adjustment Percentage



## *Application of Quality Measures*



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## Step 4

Assign each Episode Initiator a CQS Adjustment Amount

# Payment Adjustment for Quality (Continued)

## Step 5

For each Episode Initiator, multiply the Total Positive/Negative Reconciliation Amount by the corresponding CQS Adjustment Amount to find the Net Payment Reconciliation Amount or Repayment Amount for Non-Convener Participants.

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## Step 7

Finalize Net Payment Reconciliation Amount or Repayment Amount, notify Participant

# Step 1: Scale Quality Scores by Decile

- For each Quality Measure, convert raw data into scaled scores based on national cohort comparison by decile.



Quality Measure	Actual Score	Percentile	Scaled Score
All Cause Readmission	20	48	50
Advanced Care plan	89	61	60
CMS Patient Safety Indicators	78	40	40
RSMR CABG	1.5	72	70
Perioperative Antibiotic	50	50	50

# Step 2: Combine Scaled Quality Measure Scores into a Quality Score by Clinical Episode



Quality Measure	Scaled Score
All Cause Readmission	50
Advanced Care Plan	60
CMS Patient Safety Indicators	40
RSMR CABG	70
Perioperative Antibiotic	50

Quality Score
54

Scaled Quality Measure scores are combined for each Clinical Episode into a Quality Score

- Measures are weighted equally
- Quality Score is the mean of individual Quality Measure scores



# Step 3: Individual Clinical Episode Quality Scores calculated as a Composite Quality Score

## CORE Quality Measures

1. All Cause Readmission
2. Advanced Care Plan
3. CMS Patient Safety Indicators

## CE Specific Quality Measures

1. RSMR CABG
2. Perioperative Antibiotic

## EI #1: ACH



1. All Cause Readmission
2. Advanced Care Plan
3. CMS Patient Safety Indicators



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4. RSMR CABG
5. Perioperative Antibiotic

# Step 3, Continued: Clinical Episode Quality Scores calculated as a Composite Quality Score

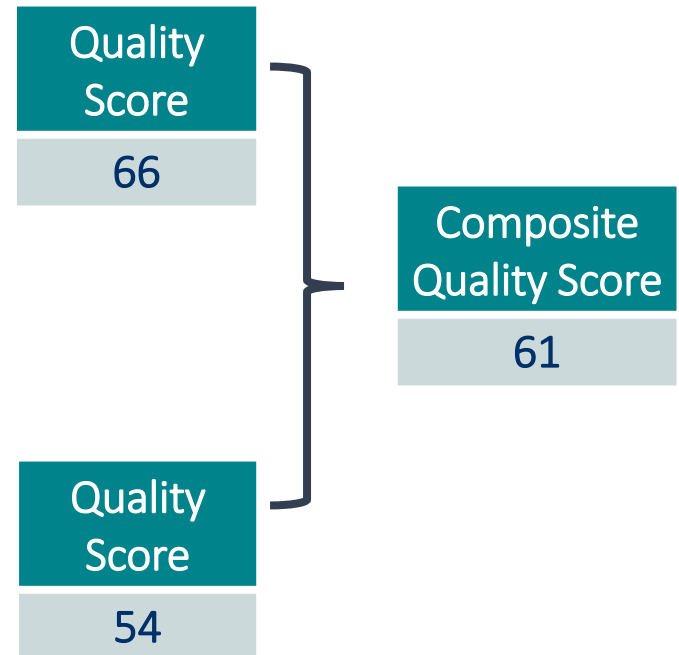
 CHF (n = 30)

Quality Measure	Scaled Score
All Cause Readmission	40
Advanced Care plan	90
CMS Patient Safety Indicators	70

 CABG (n = 20)

Quality Measure	Scaled Score
All Cause Readmission	50
Advanced Care plan	60
CMS Patient Safety Indicators	40
RSMR CABG	70
Perioperative Antibiotic	50

EI #1: ACH



# Step 3, Continued : Clinical Episode Quality Scores calculated as a Composite Quality Score



**CHF**

(n = 50)

ACH #1  
(n=12)

ACH #2  
(n= 19)

ACH #3  
(n=19)

Weighted  
Hospital

Quality  
Score

Quality  
Score

Quality  
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Quality  
Score

61

50

70

61



**CABG**

(n = 70)

ACH #1  
(n=20)

ACH #2  
(n=35)

ACH #3  
(n=15)

Weighted  
Hospital

Quality  
Score

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20

70

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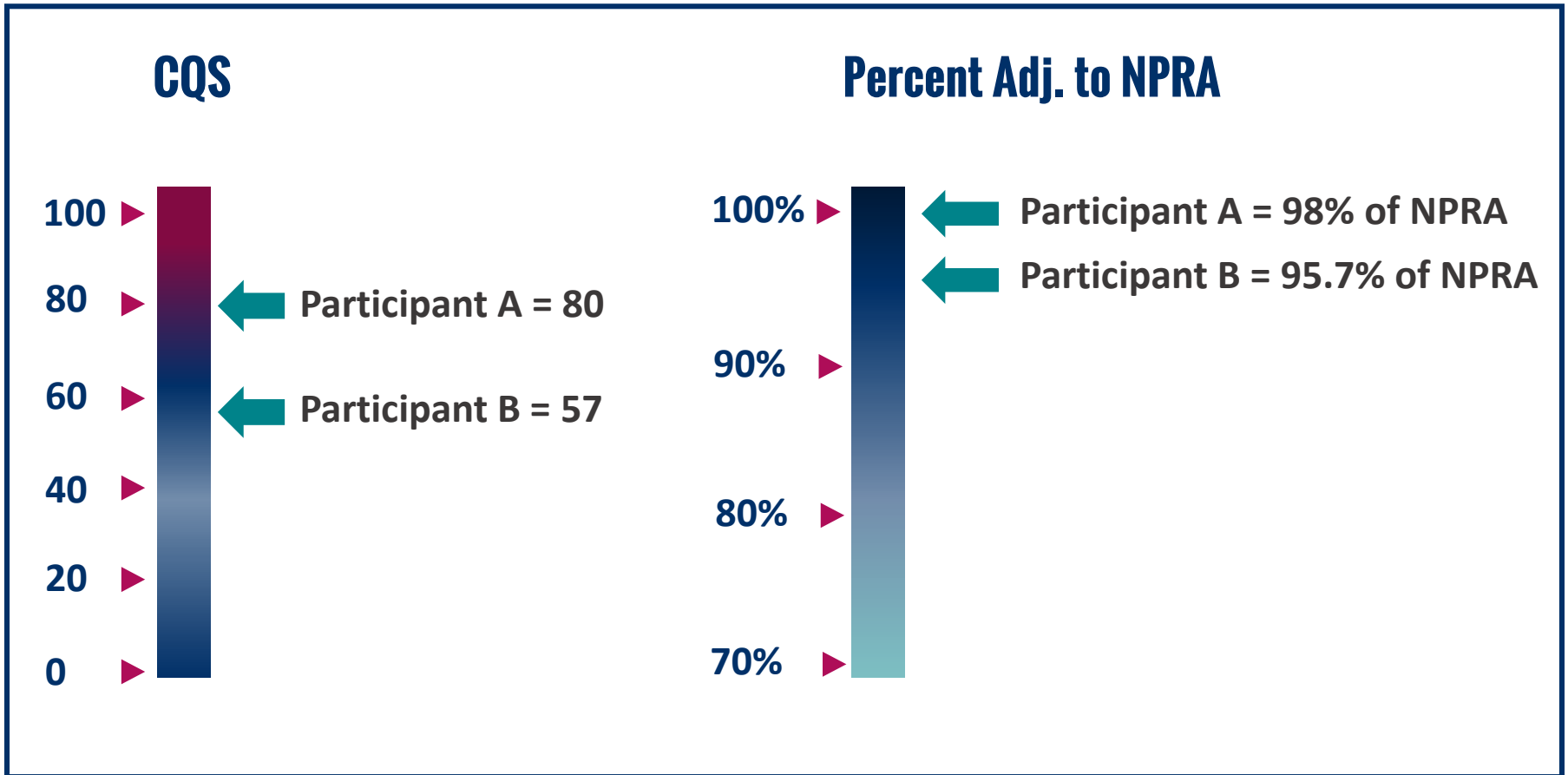
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**EI #2: PGP**

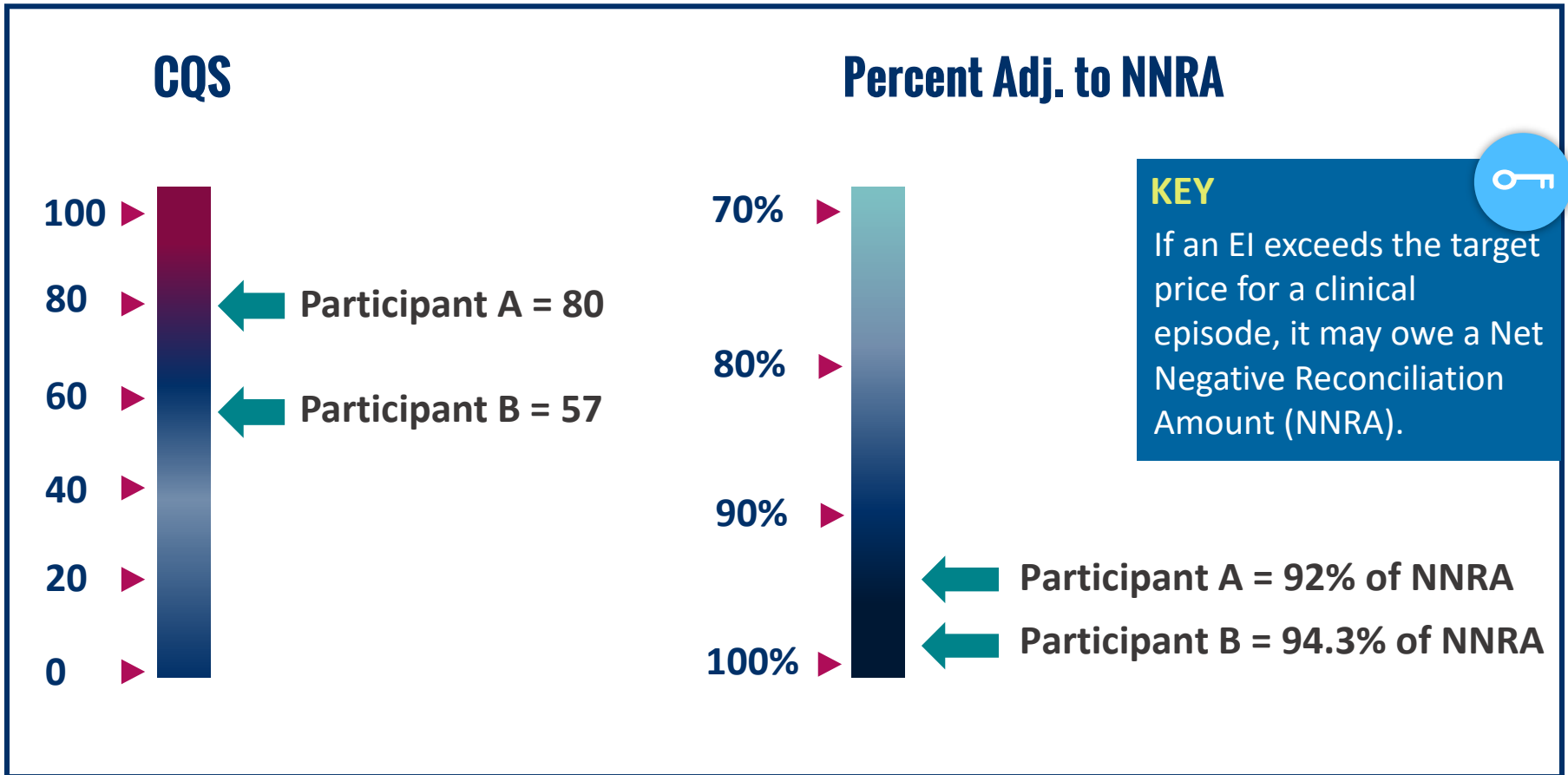
Composite  
Quality Score

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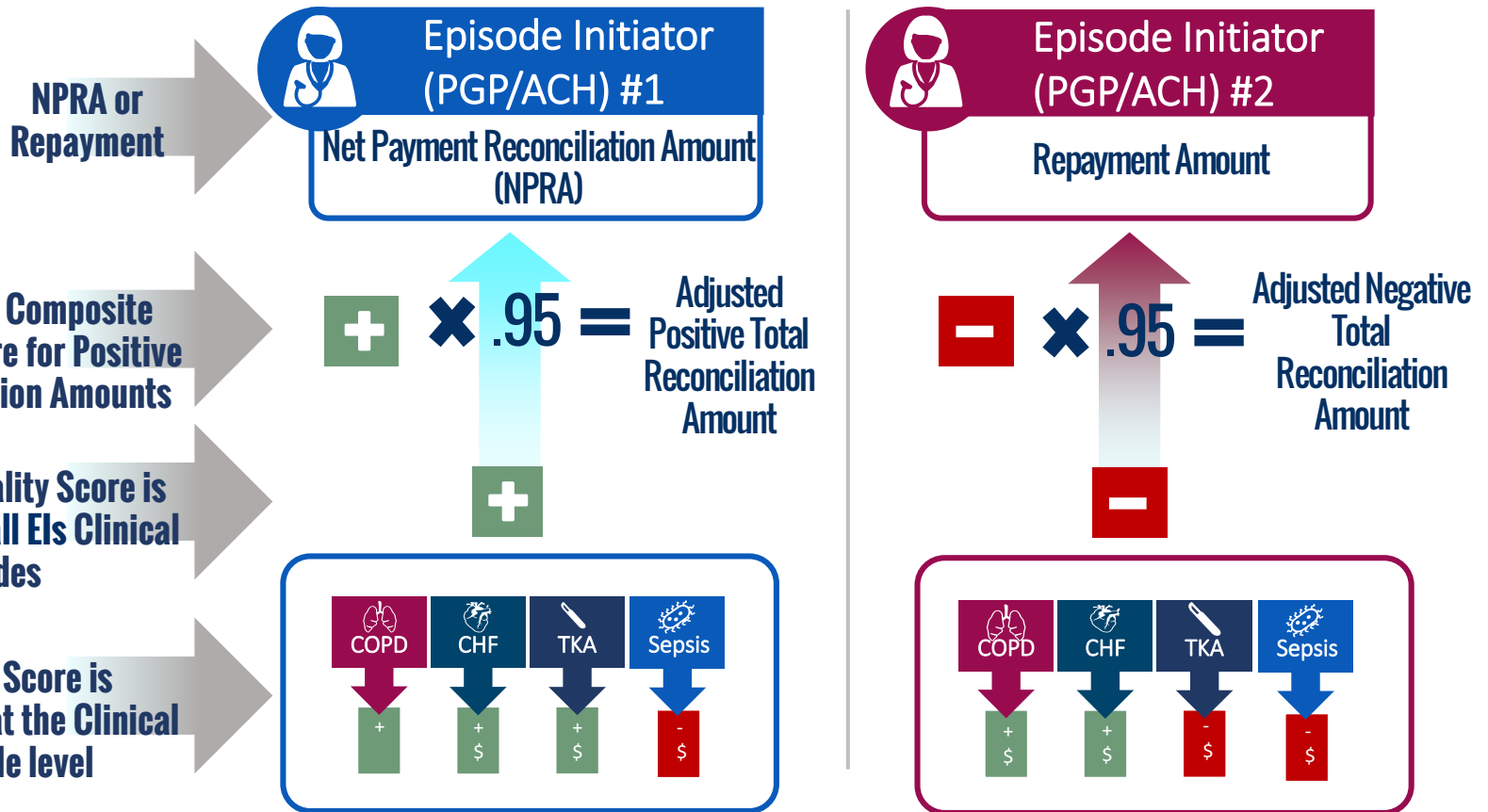
# Step 4: Assign a CQS Adjustment Amount



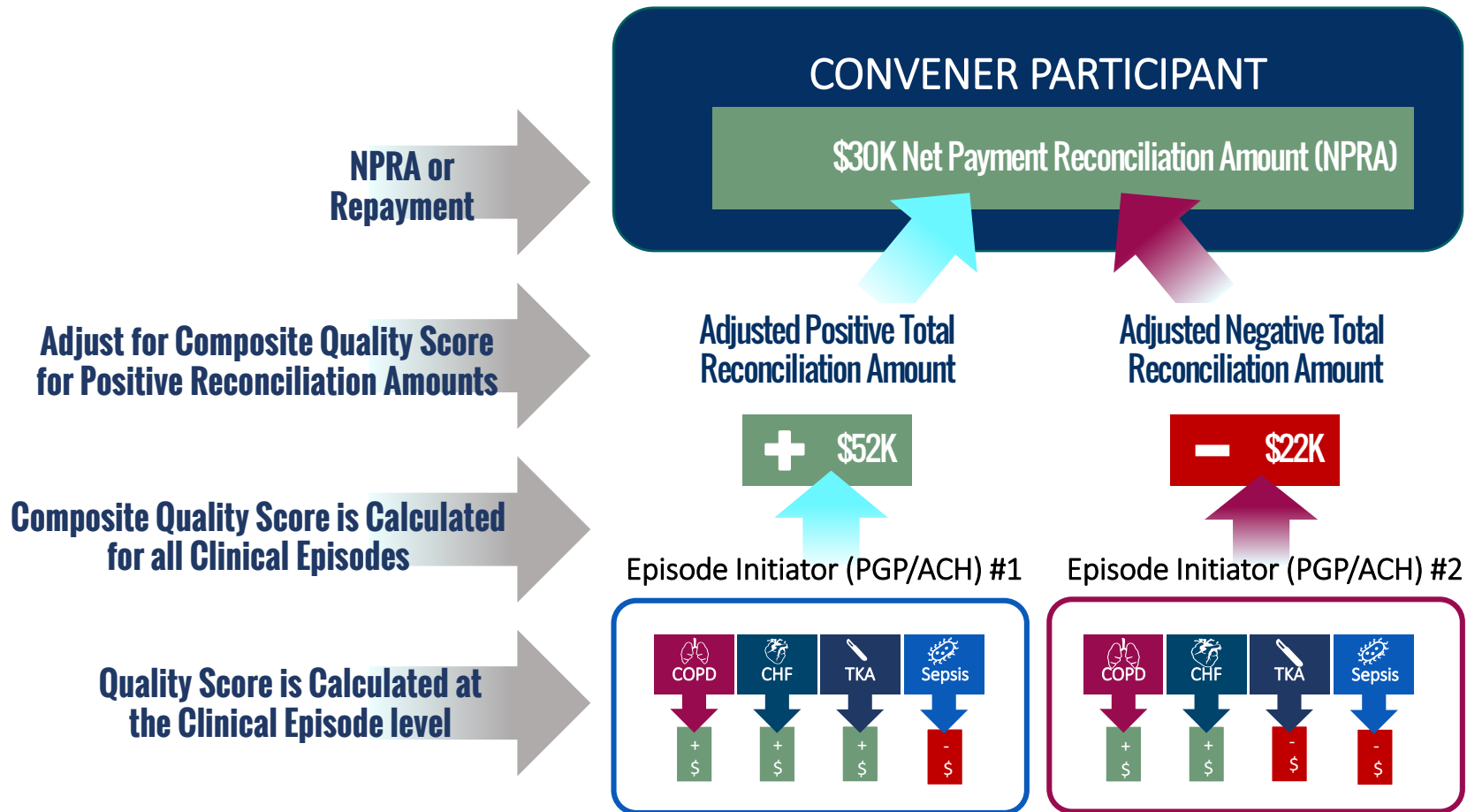
# Step 4 Continued: Assign a CQS Adjustment Amount



# Step 5: Quality Performance Adjustments for Non-Convener Participant (PGP or ACH)



# Step 6: For Convener Participant, Combine Multiple Episode Initiators



## *Summary*





# Summary

- BPCI Advanced is a new voluntary Advanced APM and MIPS APM (beginning in 2019)
- Successful Participants (quality, expenditures) may receive additional payments in the form of NPRA
- All measures are derived from administrative claims for Model Years 1 & 2 (2018 & 2019)
- Future Model Years may include different measures drawn from multiple sources

*Thank You*

