



# How to Apply for a MIPS Exception in 2022

If your 2021 MIPS reporting was disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, Hurricane Ian, or other applicable reasons, you can request to reweight any or all of the MIPS performance categories—Promoting Interoperability (PI), Quality, Improvement Activities (IA), and Cost—under the Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception for the 2022 MIPS performance year.

## Examples of an extreme and uncontrollable circumstance for 2021 include:

- A natural disaster, such as hurricane, tornado, etc.
- A public health emergency (PHE), such as the COVID-19 pandemic

Individuals, groups, and virtual groups cannot submit an application to override PY2022 data that has already been submitted. Any data submitted as an individual, group, or virtual group before or after an application has been approved will be scored.

## The deadline to submit an Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception Application for PY 2021 is December 31, 2022 at 8 p.m. ET.

**NOTE:** The Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances exception will not be automatically applied for eligible clinicians who do not submit MIPS data in 2022. To be eligible for reweighting in 2022, you are required to submit an Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances Exception application to CMS.

## How to Submit an Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstance Application

1. Sign in to your account on the QPP website (<https://qpp.cms.gov/login>) with your HARP credentials.
2. Once you are signed in, click on “*Exception Applications*” on the left-side of the screen and select “*Extreme and Uncontrollable Circumstances.*”
3. When filling out the application, you will need to select the performance categories you would like reweighted. If necessary, you may select all four MIPS performance categories.
4. You will be notified via email if your application was approved or denied.

Visit the [QPP Exceptions Applications page](#) for more information on applying for MIPS exceptions.