



## 2025 VBR FAQs

***Do the VBR timeline changes impact the 2024 VBR reimbursement period, or just 2025 VBR reimbursement and beyond?***

No. The VBR reimbursement period for 2024 (measurement period 2023) will not be affected by any of the changes to the VBR updates effective January 1, 2024.

***Are the 2024 PCP and SCP VBR Requirement documents shared with participants in September 2023 still in effect?***

No. The updated VBR timeline and measurement period replaces the documents disseminated in September 2023.

***Do providers need to meet both the 11 points and the 5% increase on the Inhaler Education measure to receive the reward in 2025?***

Yes. As CQIs mature, the focus shifts from only accruing incentives from all participation to both participation and performance. In 2024, providers will need to participate and improve their Inhaler Education rates.

***Is the Tobacco Cessation Counseling measure continuing in 2024?***

Yes. The Tobacco Cessation Counseling measure will continue in 2024 and potentially beyond. This is a CQI portfolio-wide measure.

***Is the Tobacco Cessation Counseling measure part of the 5% VBR for INHALE?***

No. The Tobacco Cessation Counseling measure is not part of INHALE's 5% VBR. Meeting the measure is worth an additional 2%. This means that providers who meet the INHALE 5% VBR reward may also earn an additional 2% for tobacco cessation for a total of 107%.

***If a provider does not meet the INHALE 5% reward, can they still earn the 2% VBR for participating in the Tobacco Cessation Counseling measure?***

Yes. Providers who are unable to earn the INHALE 5% VBR, but meet the Tobacco Cessation Counseling target, will be awarded the 2% VBR.

***Will activities completed in the Fall of 2023 count toward the 2024 VBR measurement period now that the timeline has shifted?***

Yes. Activities like the Fall 2023 Regional meeting or onboarding activities prior to 1/1/2024 will be counted towards the 2024 measurement period.

***Will the VBR reimbursement period be affected by the new timeline?***

No. The reimbursement periods for both SCPs and PCPs will not be affected and will start on 3/1/2024 for SCPs and 9/1/2024 for PCPs.



***If specialists met the Tobacco Cessation measure for 2023, do they still need to do the 5% improvement for 2024? The new timeline seems to shift things.***

Yes. With the shift in the timeline, Specialists will essentially have 2 measurement years to try and meet the target- the chance to earn the VBR is doubled. INHALE will take the better of the 2 years when scoring.

***The PCPs have several months overlap between the current measurement period (9.1.23-5.31.24) with the 2025 VBR measurement period (1.1.24 – 8.31.24). When they attend the Lung Learning Labs and Spring Regional meetings, will this count toward their 2024 and 2025 VBR?***

Yes. If there is overlap between the measurement periods, credit will be given toward both VBR years.

***Are POs still expected to meet the requirements that were distributed in September 2023?***

Yes. POs are still expected to meet the Participation Requirements distributed in 9/2023 to be eligible to receive the Participation incentive.