Maximize Your Health IT Investment
Our services focus on supporting many Health IT programs through Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

Altarum Quality Improvement Advisory Services (QIAS) offers a variety of custom consulting services to practices, hospitals, and organizations of all sizes. Our Technical Assistance packages include a dedicated Client Service Manager who is assigned to your specific practice and will maintain contact with you through in-person* and on-line meetings, direct phone calls, and email. Because Altarum is a nonprofit, we can offer our packages at very reasonable prices. Following are our some of the QIAS TA offerings:

**Quality Payment Program (QPP) Support**
Bumper-to-bumper Technical Assistance (TA) supporting an eligible clinician or group to facilitate their participation in the 2019 Quality Payment Program. TA will include assistance with evaluating performance categories using the MIPScast® score estimator, gap assessment and score improvement recommendations, and a Security Risk Analysis. Upon completion of the reporting period, QIAS will work with the individual or practice to submit data to CMS using the MIPScast Qualified Registry.

**ACO Participant Assistance**
Package designed to help active ACO participants achieve the requirements of the 2019 Quality Payment Program Promoting Interoperability (PI) Measures only. Technical assistance will include completing a Security Risk Analysis, Measure Gap Assessment (including assistance with public health and interoperability) and use of MIPScast® Qualified Registry for comparative analysis and data submission. Upon completion of the performance period, QIAS will work with the practice to meet the requirements of PI submission.

**QPP Submission**
Offering designed to assist clinicians with Quality Payment Program (QPP) Submission using the MIPScast® Qualified Registry. The practice will have all reporting data completed and ready for entry. QIAS will assist with HARP account creation, and submission of measures into the QPP Submission Portal, if necessary.

**MIPScast® Qualified Registry**
MIPScast® Qualified Registry uses a practice’s actual data to calculate their points earned in each MIPS category to then accurately estimate their MIPS Final Score. Data can be submitting directly from the MIPScast Qualified Registry to CMS. MIPScast is nationally available to clinicians for a small fee if purchased outside of our other TA packages.

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* Within a 60-mile radius of Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, and Lansing.
Security Risk Analysis (SRA)
Designed to help providers achieve the requirements of the Promoting Interoperability Measure “Protect Electronic Health Information”. QIAS staff will guide the practice through completion of a proprietary Security Risk Analysis process, providing a report of information security vulnerabilities and recommended corrective actions. Staff will also help the practice navigate implementation of those corrective actions.

Network Security Evaluation
Take your SRA results to the next level!
One of the most commonly identified areas of risk for providers on the SRA Corrective Action Plan now has a QIAS-guided solution. The QIAS Security Team will scan your network devices (servers, workstations, and other authorized/applicable devices) to identify vulnerabilities using state-of-the-art technology. A practice-specific action plan will include a network map and list of all recognized network needs during the scan. Guided review of these documents and the necessary remedial actions will take place after the scan.

Promoting Interoperability/ Meaningful Use (PI/MU) Audit Response Support
Promoting Interoperability/ Meaningful Use (PI/MU) Audit Response Support includes meetings with the Health System to review that the attested qualifications and supporting documents are in place for PI/MU. QIAS will help answer questions, review documentation, and recommend corrective action as necessary. Upon completion of the audit analysis, QIAS will work with the practice to submit identified information to their respective auditor.

Chronic Care Management (CCM)
Increase patient care management and satisfaction while growing your practice’s bottom line. The Chronic Care Management (CCM) program through CMS achieves just that! We understand your interest in participating, but know that clinical staff can be spread thin and may not be able to dedicate time to rolling out a new patient care program. Let QIAS provide your office with a staffing solution to deliver CCM services to qualifying enrolled patients in your practice.

Custom Consulting
We help health care organizations improve operational, financial, and clinical performance using our process improvement techniques designed specifically for medical practices, clinics, and small hospitals. We help rapidly address common “pain points” relating to patient flow, productivity, efficiency, and staff/patient satisfaction by providing hands-on implementation assistance to develop practical and effective performance improvement plans.