# Plan Year (PY) 2018 Qualified Health Plan (QHP) Application Submission Tips and Reminders

June 1, 2017

2017 Qualified Health Plan (QHP) Series



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#### **Session Guidelines**

- This 60-minute session is conducted to provide a presentation of the PY 2018 QHP Application Submission Tips and Reminders, as well as a live Q&A session for issuers.
- For questions regarding content, contact the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Help Desk by email at: <u>CMS\_FEPS@cms.hhs.gov</u> or by phone at: (855) 267-1515.
- For questions regarding logistics and registration, contact the Registrar at: (800) 257-9520.



### **Upcoming Key Dates for QHP Plan Maintenance and Certification**

Date	Category	Activity
April 27, 2017 – June 14, 2017	Technical Assistance	Issuers Request Review Tool Technical Assistance Outreach Sessions
May 10, 2017 –June 21, 2017	Submission Window	Initial PY 2018 QHP Application Submission Window
June 30, 2017	Outreach	Confirm QHP Certification Notice Points of Contact



### Review Tool Technical Assistance Outreach Sessions

- Marketplace Plan Management Group (MPMG) is offering all issuers review tool technical assistance sessions with Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) subject matter experts (SMEs) before the initial PY 2018 submission window closes on June 21, 2017.
  - Issuers can request calls with CCIIO SMEs from April 27<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- These outreach sessions will provide issuers with an opportunity:
  - To share their review tool results,
  - Discuss review areas with CCIIO SME(s), and
  - Receive answers to any questions while finalizing templates.
- Please request a review tool technical assistance session here: <u>https://www.qhpcertification.cms.gov/outreachform</u>
- Issuers may also request Plan Preview training once their application is submitted.



### Locating the Review Tool Technical Assistance Outreach Form

To locate the Review Tool Technical Assistance
 Outreach form, please go to
 <u>www.qhpcertification.cms.gov</u> and click "Application Materials".



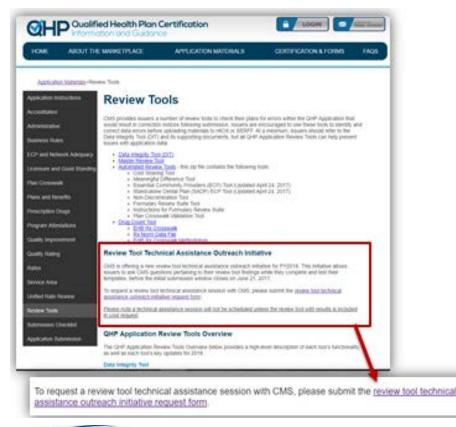
 After clicking "Application Materials", click "Review Tools" located on the right side-bar.





### Locating the Review Tool Technical Assistance Outreach Form (continued)

 On the Review Tools page, you will find review tool technical assistance instructions and a link to the request form.



 After clicking the request form link, issuers may fill out each field, including uploading their review tool in a zip file format.



 After your request is received and processed, CMS will send an Outlook meeting invite from QHP Applications@cms.hhs.gov to the provided email addresses in your submission.



### **Announcements**



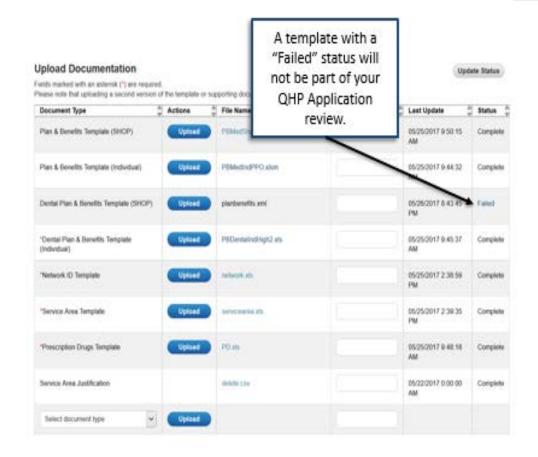
### **Submission Tips**



### Steps After Loading Template to Incorrect Location

If users accidentally upload a template to the wrong location, users will receive a Failed status:

- If users wish to replace the file, simply click the Upload button to overwrite the failed file.
- If users do not wish to replace the file, no further steps are necessary. Templates with a "Failed" status will not be part of users' QHP Application review.



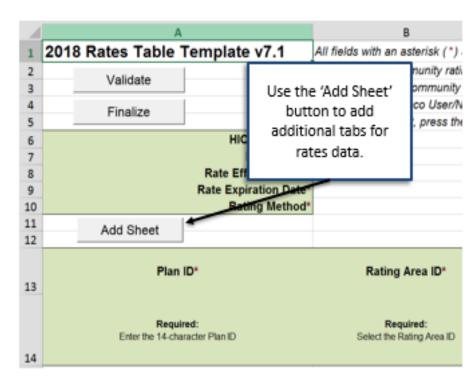


### Rates Template Maximum Rows Per Tab

The Rates Template is defaulted so that each tab contains at most 65,535 rows. An Excel feature allows users to increase this number of rows; however, this larger tab size could cause issues during submission.

#### **Suggested Best Practices**

- Use the 'Add Sheet' button to create a new tab to enter additional rates.
- Double-check that each tab in the Rates Template contains at most 65,535 rows.





# Reminders on How to Submit the QHP Application



#### **Issuer Module - Submissions**



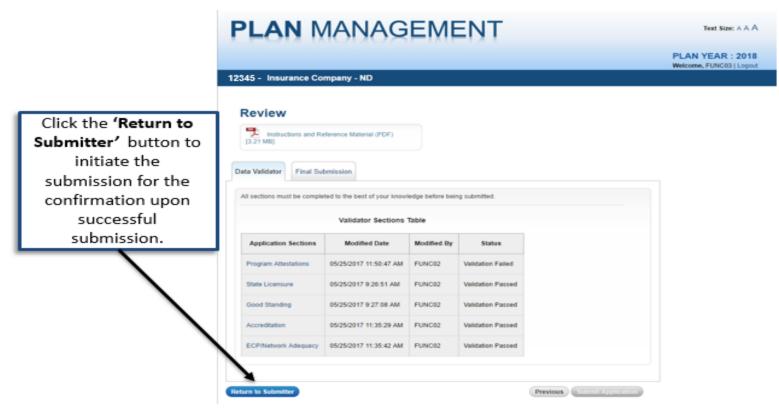
### PY 2018 Issuer Submitter – Summary Page

The Issuer Summary Page will allow users to continue working on an existing application or view an already submitted application. Users must be assigned the role of data submitter to access this page.





### PY 2018 Issuer Review Page – Submission



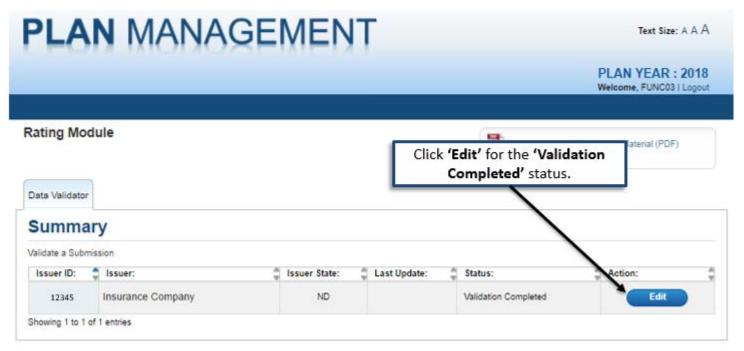


### **Rating Module**



### PY 2018 Rating Validator – Summary Page

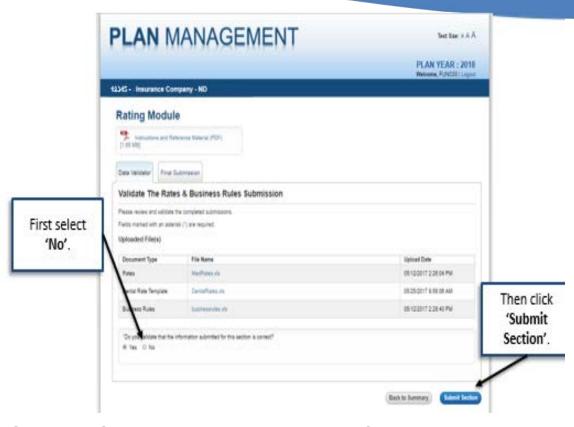
The Rating Validator Summary Page will allow users to select the application to initiate the submission. Users must be assigned the role of Data Validator to return the submission to the Data Submitter.





## PY 2018 Rating Validator – Submission Page

This page provides the current template/data provided by the Submitter and allows the Validator to validate that the information provided is accurate.

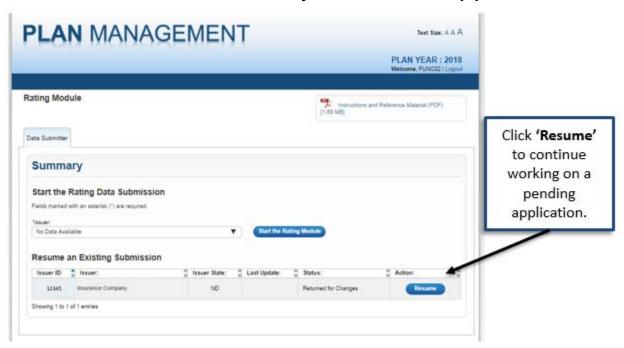


**Note:** By clicking '**Submit Section**' users allow the Submitter to have access to the module to make any modifications needed.



### PY 2018 Rating Submitter – Summary Page

The Rating Summary Page will allow you to start a new application. The Summary page also provides the ability to continue working on a pending application or view an already submitted application.



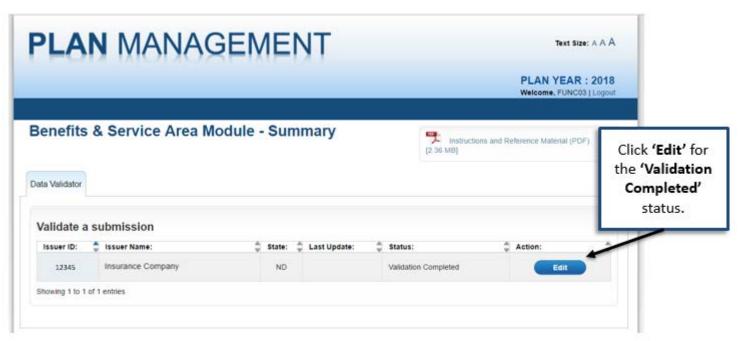


# Benefits and Service Area Module



# PY 2018 Benefits and Service Area Validator – Summary Page

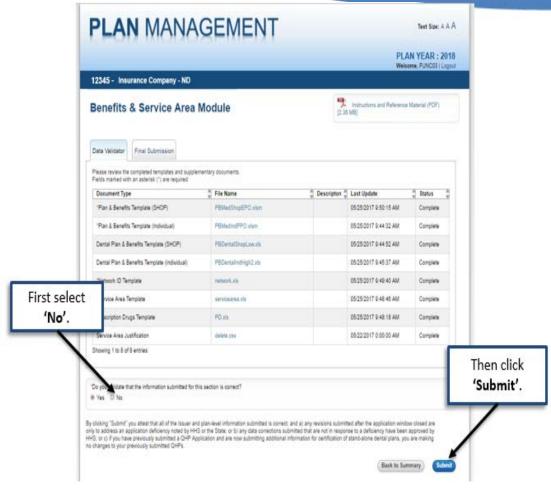
The Benefits and Service Area Validator Summary Page will allow users to select the application to initiate the submission. Users must be assigned the role of Data Validator to return the submission to the Data Submitter.





## PY 2018 Benefits and Service Area Validator – Submission Page (continued)

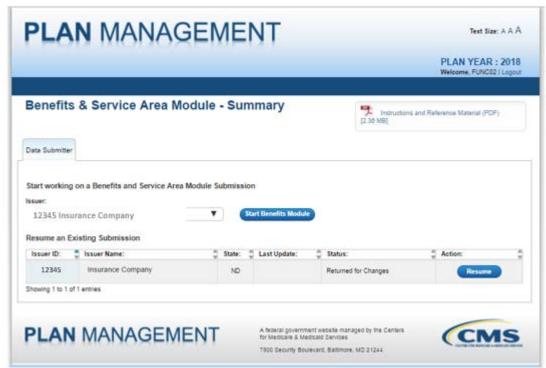
This page provides the current template/data provided by the Submitter and allows the Validator to validate that the information provided is accurate.





### PY 2018 Benefits and Service Area Validator – Submission Page (continued)

The Benefits and Service Area Summary Page allows users to start a new submission, continue working on a pending submission or view a completed submission.



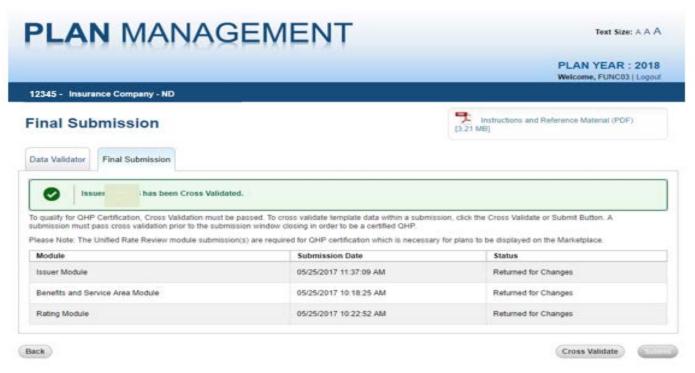


### **Final Submission Tasks**



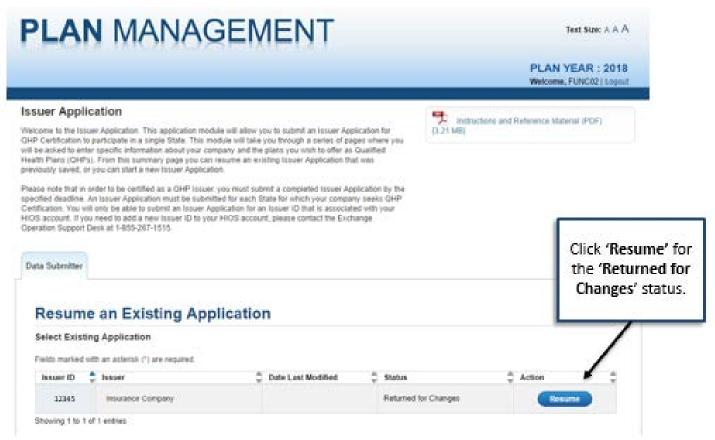
#### **PY 2018 Final Submission Page**

The Final Submission page allows users to perform two functions: cross validation and final submission of the QHP Application.



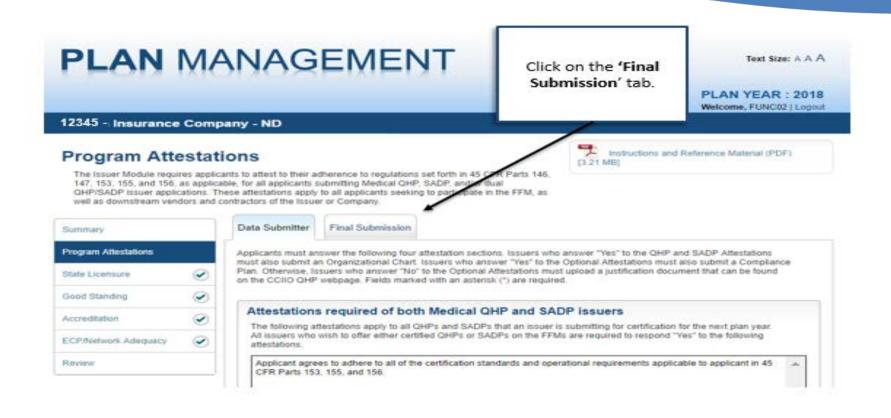


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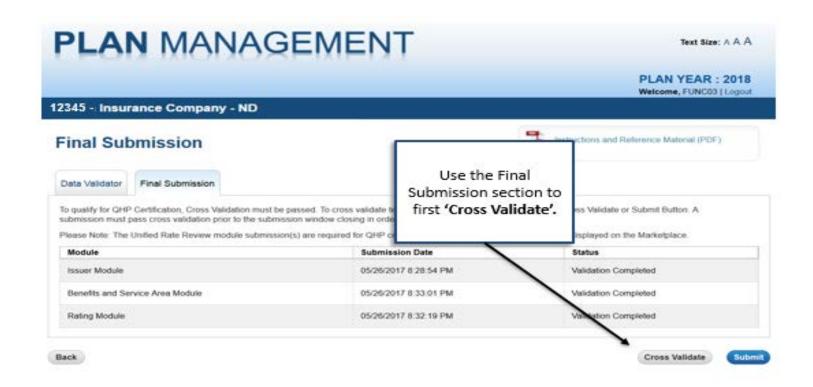


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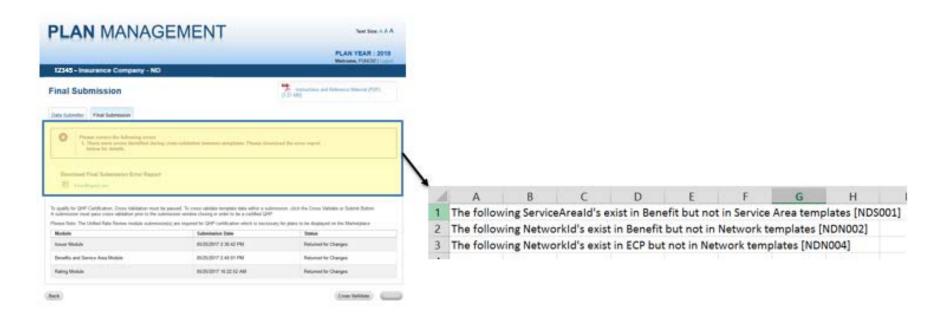
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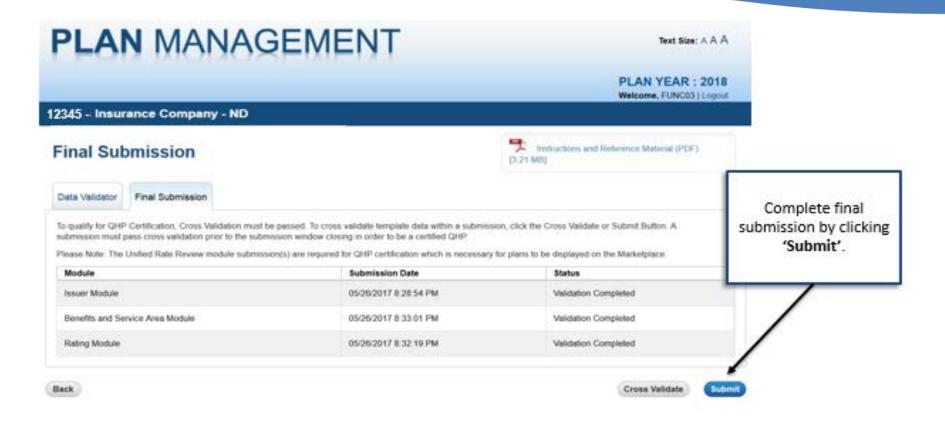
If errors are generated, view the error report and fix the inconsistencies detected. Once errors are fixed, cross-validate and re-submit.





#### **PY 2018 Final Submission Tasks**

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### Live Q&A Session



#### Questions?

- To submit or withdraw questions by phone:
  - To submit a question, dial "star(\*) pound(#)" on your phone's keypad.
  - To withdraw a question, dial "star(\*) pound(#)" on your phone's keypad.
- To submit questions by webinar:
  - Type your question in the text box under the "Q&A" tab and click "Send."

#### **Submission of Inquiries**

#### Users/Issuers can contact:

- CMS Help Desk with questions about specific situations, the Federal Templates and their functionality and the HIOS
  - Call: 855-CMS-1515
  - Email: <u>CMS\_FEPS@cms.hhs.gov</u>
- National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) with questions about state requirements/System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing (SERFF)
  - Email: serffplanmgmt@naic.org



### Best Practices-Submitting Help Desk Tickets

- Include HIOS ID, issuer State and issuer legal name
- Include screenshots or attach templates when asking about an error or issue with the template
- Submit separate Help Desk requests for different, unrelated questions
- Put the question in the body of the email; do not attach Excel or Word documents with lists of questions
- Identify or note whether question is for the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) or Individual Marketplace



#### Plan Management Webinar Dates

The 2017 QHP June Webinar sessions occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays as shown below:

Date	Day	Time (ET)	Topic
6/6/17	Tuesday	3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Open Q&A
6/8/17	Thursday	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Open Q&A
6/13/17	Tuesday	3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Open Q&A
6/15/17	Thursday	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Submission Tips
6/20/17	Tuesday	3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Open Q&A
6/22/17	Thursday	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Plan Preview: Tools and Tips
6/27/17	Tuesday	3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Plan Preview Scenario/Open Q&A
6/29/17	Thursday	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	2018 Updates for Machine Readable Data

Please register if you wish to participate, even if you have registered for a previous series. For registration and additional information on CMS' webinar series, please log in to <a href="https://www.REGTAP.info">https://www.REGTAP.info</a>.



#### **Additional Webinar Dates**

In addition to the weekly PM webinar sessions, issuers are encouraged to attend the following sessions:

Program Area	Day	Time (ET)
Enrollment	Mondays (Bi-Weekly)	12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
EDGE Server	Tuesdays (Bi-Weekly)	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
FF-SHOP	Tuesdays (Bi-Weekly)	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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#### HIOS User Group Conference Call

- The HIOS User Group Conference Call occurs every Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time (US & Canada) (GMT-05:00).
- Call Access: 1-888-455-8828; Passcode: 6714482



#### Resources

Resource	Resource Link
QHP Certification Website	https://www.qhpcertification.cms.gov
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)	http://www.cms.gov/
CMS Regulations and Guidance	http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and- Guidance/Regulations-and- Guidance.html?redirect=/home/regsguidance .asp
HealthCare Website	http://www.healthcare.gov/
National Conference of State Legislatures	http://www.ncsl.org
Registration for Technical Assistance Portal (REGTAP)	https://REGTAP.info
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services	http://www.hhs.gov/



#### **Commonly Used Acronyms**

Acronym	Definition
AV	Actuarial Value
BHP	Basic Health Program
ECP	Essential Community Provider
EHB	Essential Health Benefit
EIDM	Enterprise Identity Management
FFM	Federally-facilitated Marketplace
FFM-DE	Federally-facilitated Marketplace in a Direct Enforcement State
HIOS	Health Insurance Oversight System
MSP	Multi-State Plans



#### Commonly Used Acronyms (continued)

Acronym	Definition
NAIC	National Association of Insurance Commissioners
NCQA	National Committee for Quality Assurance
QHP	Qualified Health Plan
SADP	Stand-Alone Dental Plan
SBM	State-based Marketplace
SBM-FP	State-based Marketplace on the Federal Platform
SERFF	System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing
SHOP	Small Business Health Options Program
USP	United States Pharmacopeia



### **Closing Remarks**

