

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

CMS Email Title & Release Date	Update to the 2019 Draft Call Letter Part D Coordination of Benefits (COB) Section – Dated 2/8/2018
Summary	CMS proposed the Part D Coordination of Benefits (COB) User Fee amount for 2019 to be \$0.1166 at a monthly rate for the first 9 months of the coverage year for a total user fee of \$1.05 per enrollee per year. Plans should account for this COB user fee when developing the 2019 bids.
Action	Informational to PACE.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year 2019 MA and Part D Bid Pricing Tool Beta Testing – Dated 2/9/2018
Summary	CMS will be conducting beta testing of the draft Contract Year (CY) 2019 Bid Pricing Tool (BPT) on February 15, 2018 until March 2, 2018 . The draft for the CY 2019 bid forms and instructions have been posted to the CMS website.
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for the direct link on the CMS website.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	February Actuarial User Group Call – Dated 2/9/2018
Summary	CMS Office of Actuary will host an actuarial user group call on February 22, 2018 to discuss the Contract Year (CY) 2019 bidding and respond to questions from industry actuaries preparing for the CY 2019 bids.
Action	Informational to PACE. For individuals interested in participating, refer to the memo for complete details on the call information.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Payment Year (PY) 2013 Overpayment Recovery – Dated 2/9/2018
Summary	All PY 2013 deletions to the Risk Adjustment Processing System is due on March 16, 2018 for the PY 2013 risk score rerun. All deletions received by the deadline will be included in the risk score rerun and subsequent overpayment recovery.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	2018 Risk Score Reruns for Purposes of Overpayment Recovery – Dated 2/9/2018
Summary	CMS announced the payment years for which CMS intends to rerun risk scores during calendar year 2018 for overpayment recovery. CMS will

Action	<p>notify plans at least 30 days in advance of the deadline for submitting deletes for each risk score runs.</p> <p>Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on the payment years.</p>
CMS Email Title & Release Date	<p>New Subcontractor Field Within Contract Management: Data Validation Contractor – Dated 2/13/2018</p>
Summary	<p>CMS requested plans to select a data validation contractor to conduct annual validation of plan-reported data per the Parts C and D reporting requirements. A new data field within HPMS has been created to capture this consultant information. The path for entering the data is provided.</p>
Action	<p>Informational to PACE as it only applies to Medicare Advantage Plans.</p>
CMS Email Title & Release Date	<p>Redesigned “Information and Guidance for Plans” Web Page for Medicare-Medicaid Plans – Dated 2/16/2018</p>
Summary	<p>CMS redesigned the “Information and Guidance for Plans” page for Medicare-Medicaid Plans participating in the Financial Alignment Initiative capitated model demonstrations. The webpage remains comprehensive but is more user-friendly with new subpages.</p>
Action	<p>Informational to PACE.</p>
CMS Email Title & Release Date	<p>Medicare Part C and Part D Reporting Requirements – Data Validation – 30 day Comment Period – Dated 2/16/2018</p>
Summary	<p>CMS is looking for comments on the proposed Medicare Part C and Part D Data Validation of Reporting Requirements data for contract year 2017 for retrospective review in 2018. Comments are due by February 26, 2018 to CMS. A link to the proposed draft is included.</p>
Action	<p>Informational to PACE as PACE plans are excluded from the Part C reporting requirements and waived of the Part D reporting requirements.</p>
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	<p>Updated Announcement Regarding Encounter Data Deadlines for Payment Years 2016 and 2017 Final Reconciliation – Dated 2/16/2018</p>
Summary	<p>CMS announced extended deadlines for the final reconciliation of Payment Years 2016 and 2017 to facilitate the submission of complete encounter data, and improve the accuracy of risk adjustment payments. The encounter data submission deadlines for payment years 2016 and 2017 is included with the anticipated payment months.</p>
Action	<p>Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on the submission deadlines.</p>

CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Appeals-Related Changes to Prepare for the New Medicare Card Project – dated 2/16/2018
Summary	CMS released guidelines to plans on what type of identifier (HICN or MBI) to use on the reconsideration- and redetermination-related notices, background data forms, and their case file transmittal coversheets.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on the guidelines.

CMS Memo Title & Release Date	ESRD and Part D Risk Scores to Support Evaluation of Proposals in Part II of the 2019 Advance Notice – Dated 2/16/2018
Summary	CMS has posted plan-level risk scores on HPMS for PY 2015. The risk scores are calculated with the ESRD and Part D models discussed in the Part II of the Advance Notice.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.

Important Date Reminders

Date	Item
January 2018	Sensipar- ESRD Treatment must be included in the ESRD PPS & no longer payable under Part D benefit.
March 4, 2018	HICN to MBI Crosswalk File available via MARx.
April 1, 2018	Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program services to be covered for eligible Medicare beneficiaries.
April 1, 2018	New Medicare Card (Formerly known as SSNRI) to Begin
January 2019	Enforcement Date for the Prescriber Enrollment Requirement
<i>*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.</i>	

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