

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Second Plan Preview of 2019 Star Ratings Data – Dated 9/7/2018
Summary	CMS informed plans that they can preview their Star Ratings data in HPMS prior to the display on Medicare Plan Finder. The second plan preview begins on September 10, 2018 to September 17, 2018 . The final Star Ratings can be viewable by beneficiaries on Medicare.gov in October.
Action	Informational to PACE as PACE plans do not participant in the MA plan Star Ratings.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Release of Contract Year 2019 Plan Correction Module – Dated 9/9/2018
Summary	CMS released the HPMS Plan Correction Module for Medicare Advantage Organizations, Medicare Prescription Drug Plans and 1876 Cost Plans. The correction module will be open from September 7, 2018 until September 20, 2018 at 11:59 PM EDT . Only changes to the Plan Benefit Package that are supported by the Bid Pricing Tool are allowed during the plan correction period.
Action	Informational to PACE plans. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	CY 2019 Formulary Enhancement Submission Window – Dated 9/11/2018
Summary	CMS offers a final CY 2019 formulary submission window for plans to submit formulary enhancements to CMS prior to the start of the 2019 contract year. This opportunity will allow plans to submit formulary changes in order that the Medicare Plan Finder displays accurate and up-to-date formulary information during the Annual Election Period. Plans can submit CY 2019 formulary enhancements between September 21, 2018 to September 25, 2018 .
Action	Informational to PACE plans that utilizes and submits a formulary to CMS. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year 2019 Annual Notice of Change and Evidence of Coverage Submission Requirements and Yearly Assessment – Dated 9/12/2018
Summary	CMS remind plans on the key actions required for the Annual Notice of Change/Evidence of Coverage (ANOC/EOC) documents. The ANOC/EOCs provide vital information to enrollees regarding benefits and cost-sharing. CMS expects plans to send correct ANOC/EOCs to enrollees on time and in accordance with Medicare guidelines.

Action	Additional information on the ANOC/EOC instructions and Model Errata can be found in the link provided. Informational to PACE as PACE is waived of the ANOC/EOC requirements. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Announcement of 2018 Risk Adjustment Data Submission Training – Dated 9/12/2018
Summary	CMS announced the CMS 2018 Training on Risk Adjustment Data Submission. Registration for the training is now open. The training is held on November 28, 2018 on site at CMS in Baltimore, Maryland.
Action	Informational to PACE. For those interested in participating, refer to the memo for complete details on how to register.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	CGDP Preliminary Labeler Code Changes for Calendar Year 2019 – Dated 9/13/2018
Summary	CMS informed plans of the anticipated labeler code changes under the Coverage Gap Discount Program for the 2019 Calendar Year. The labeler code changes listed in the email are scheduled to be in effect on January 1, 2019 .
Action	Although the Coverage Gap Discount Program does not apply to PACE, the participating labeler codes are applicable because only brand name prescriptions with NDCs from these codes are accepted for Part D payment. Pharmastar will make the necessary software adjustments to accommodate for the change.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Payment Years 2016 and 2017 Risk Adjustment Attestations – Dated 9/14/2018
Summary	CMS request plans to submit a risk adjustment attestation for PY 2016 and PY 2017 by October 15, 2018 by 11:59 PM PDT . Plans are to complete the applicable attestation and submit to CMS via the pathlink provided. Attestation templates are provided in the memo.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.

Important Date Reminders

Date	Item
January 1, 2019	Preclusion List Requirement Begins
<i>*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.</i>	

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