

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Proposed Collection for Updated 2020 Program Audit Protocols – 30 Day Comment Period – Dated 12/27/2019
Summary	CMS announced an opportunity for plans to comment on the updated proposed Medicare Parts C and D Program Audit and Timeliness Monitoring Data Requests. All comments can be sent to CMS by January 27, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug System (MARx) January 2020 Payment – INFORMATION – Dated 12/27/2019
Summary	<p>CMS provided information on the January payment which is scheduled for January 2, 2020 and may require plan action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Medicare Card Project Transition Period – MARx Reminder • Changes to MARx Plan Transaction Processing • National Medicare Education Campaign User Fees for 2020 • Coordination of Benefits User Fees for 2020 • Updates to the MARx Status Detail: Other Insurance Screen
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details and items that may be application to your plan.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Addressing Continuity of Care for Dually Eligible Enrollees Currently Receiving Opioid Treatment Program Services through Medicaid – Dated 12/27/2019
Summary	CMS remind plans of the Medicare Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) benefit on January 1, 2020 and for newly dual eligible enrollees currently receiving opioid treatment services from an OTP through Medicaid to be covered under the Medicare Part B benefit.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details. Questions on the new OTP benefit should be directed to your CMS Account Manager.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	HPMS CY 2020 Plan Reporting Module Modernization – Dated 12/27/2019
Summary	CMS will release the new CY 2020 Plan Reporting Module on January 2, 2020 with a new design. Previous years Plan Reporting Modules will remain unchanged and in its current design.

Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the email for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Parts C & D Enrollee Grievances, Organizations/Coverage Determinations, and Appeals Guidance – Dated 12/30/2019
Summary	CMS updated the Parts C & D Enrollee Grievance, Organization/Coverage Determination, and Appeals Guidance which goes in effective on January 1, 2020 . A link to the updated guidance is provided.
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	Deadline Extended Request for Comments on Updated Core Quality Withhold Technical Notes for Medicare-Medicaid Plans – Dated 1/2/2020
Summary	CMS is looking for comments on the updated Core Quality Withhold Technical Notes and has extended the comment submission deadline to January 17, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	CORRECTED- Addressing Continuity of Care for Dually Eligible Enrollees Currently Receiving Opioid Treatment Program Services Through Medicaid – Dated 1/2/2020
Summary	CMS made a correction to the initial memo released on December 27, 2019 to correct the webpage link of OTP providers who have submitted or has been approved with Medicare.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details. Questions on the new OTP benefit should be directed to your CMS Account Manager.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year (CY) 2020 Draft Program Audit Protocols for Medicare-Medicaid Plans – Dated 1/2/2020
Summary	CMS released the drafted audit protocols for Medicare-Medicaid Plans. Comments on the draft can be sent to CMS using the comment template provided by February 4, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	National Plan and Provider Enumeration System as a Resource to Improve Provider Directory Accuracy – Dated 1/3/2020
Summary	CMS announced the availability in the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) for providers to certify their National

Action	Provider Identifier (NPI) data. Plans are encouraged to work with their contracted providers to review and update their NPPES data. Informational to PACE. Refer to memo for complete details.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	CY 2021 Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan Application Training – Dated 1/3/2020
Summary	CMS announced the Part C & D User Call registrants for two upcoming calls on the Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan Applications which are scheduled for January 8, 2020 and January 15, 2020.
Action	Informational to PACE.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Health Plan Management System (HPMS) Customer Satisfaction Survey for External HPMS Users – Dated 1/3/2020
Summary	CMS released the annual HPMS customer satisfaction survey and invite HPMS users to participate. The survey period will run from January 6, 2020 to January 17, 2020. HPMS access is not required.
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details for individuals who are interested in taking the survey.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Advance Notice of Methodological Changes for Calendar Year 2021 for Medicare Advantage Capitation Rates and Part C and Part D Payment Policies- Part 1, CMS-HCC Risk Adjustment Model – Dated 1/6/2020
Summary	CMS proposed changes to the risk adjustment model for 2021. PACE plans will continue to use the same method of calculating risk scores that have been in place since PY 2015. CMS does not propose to change the model used to calculate PACE risk scores for PY 2021.
Action	Informational to PACE as PACE plans risk adjustment model will not change for PY 2021.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	Contract Year 2021 Model of Care Training – Dated 1/8/2020
Summary	CMS reminds plans of the call on January 14, 2020 to assist plans with the Contract Year 2021 Model of Care submission requirements for Special Needs Plans.
Action	Informational to PACE.

CMS Email Title & Release Date	Release of Contract Year 2021 Medicare Advantage, Medicare-Medicaid Plan, and Prescription Drug Benefit and Related CY 2021 Applications & Deadlines – Dated 1/8/2020
Summary	CMS released the Contract Year 2021 MA, MMP, Part D and other related applications. All applications are due to CMS by February 12, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE as PACE plans are not required to renew their contracts on a year to year basis and utilizes its own application and service area expansion process.

CMS Email Title & Release Date	Correction to Contract Year (CY) 2020 Draft Program Audit Protocols for Medicare-Medicaid Plans – Dated 1/9/2020
Summary	CMS attached the MMP Care Coordination and Quality Improvement Effectiveness Supplemental Questionnaire as it was not included in the initial HPMS memo regarding the Contract Year 2020 Draft Program Audit Protocols for MMP which was released on January 2, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE.

Important Date Reminders

Date	Item
*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.	

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