

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Contract Year 2021 Plan Benefit Package Testing – Dated 1/27/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS is conducting beta testing to ensure all aspects of the CY 2021 PBP software work as designed and requests assistance from plans in the final testing of the CY 2021 PBP. Testing will take place from Monday, January 27, 2020 through Friday, February 7, 2020. A link to download the CY 2021 PBP beta software is provided.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.</p>
<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>CY 2020 Baseline Out-of-Pocket Cost (OOPC) Model – Dated 1/27/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS announced the availability of the 2020 Baseline Out-of-Pocket Cost (OOPC) model, previously referred to as the “Medicare Plan Finder (MPF) Plan Version,” which serves as the baseline for the MA Total Beneficiary Cost (TBC) calculation for evaluating the TBC change between CY 2020 and CY 2021 for plan sponsors. The Bid Review OOPC Model, previously referred to as the “Plan Model Version,” will be released in April 2020.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Informational to PACE as PACE is waived of the out-of-pocket provisions.</p>
<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Release of Encounter Data Report Cards Q3 2019 – Information – Dated 1/27/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS announced the availability of the Q3 2019 encounter data report cards, including technical notes about the methodology used in report card preparation, in HPMS.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for details on contents and the pathway to access the report cards.</p>
<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Completion of the Reopening of the 2014 Final Part D Payment Reconciliation – Dated 1/28/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS completed the calculations for the reopening of the 2014 Final Part D Payment Reconciliation. The payment reconciliation reports will be available in the reconciliation mailboxes at CSSC on Wednesday, January 29, 2020. Payment adjustments to remit and recover these calculation reconciliation amounts are planned for the March 2020 payment.</p>

Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details and how to access the reports.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Webinar: Medicare Advantage Value-Based Insurance Design Model - Hospice Benefit Component – Dated 1/28/2020
Summary	The Value Based Insurance Design team will host a webinar on Thursday, January 30, 2020 to provide information and answer questions about the hospice benefit component recently added to the Value Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model. During the webinar, CMS will share next steps and engagement opportunities as well as include a live question and answer (Q&A) session.
Action	Informational to PACE. If interested, refer to the memo for additional details on how to register.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Coverage Gap Discount Program: February Participating Labeler Codes – Dated 1/30/2020
Summary	<p>CMS will update the manufacturer labeler codes for the Coverage Gap Discount Program by February 1, 2020. The update includes the following additions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16110 Almirall, LLC • 69800 ADMA Biologics • 69880 Chiasma, Inc • 72252 Neurelis, Inc • 72305 Provell Pharmaceuticals, LLC • 73070 Novo Nordisk Pharma, Inc.
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 has made the necessary software adjustments to accommodate for the updated codes.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	UPDATED: Submission of 2019 Beneficiary-Level Medication Therapy Management (MTM) Program Data – New HPMS Submission – Dated 1/31/2020
Summary	CMS provided information regarding the new HPMS submission process in the Plan Reporting Module instead of the CMS Enterprise File Transfer (EFT) infrastructure. Data must be submitted by 11:59 PM PST on February 24, 2020 .
Action	Informational to PACE as PACE is waived of the requirements of the Medication Therapy Management Program.

<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Payment Year 2019 Risk Adjustment Attestations – Dated 1/31/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS requires all plans to submit a risk adjustment attestation annually. The attestation for PY 2019 (2018 dates of service) are available on HPMS. Plans are asked to complete the applicable attestation for their plan and submit to CMS by Monday, March 2, 2020 by 11:59 PM PDT.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on the requirement.</p>
<p>CMS Email Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Registration - Risk Adjustment for EDS and RAPS User Group – Dated 1/31/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS will host a User Group presenting an overview of risk adjustment for PACE organizations, CMS updates, FAQs and a live Q&A session on February 20, 2020 from 2 PM to 3 PM ET. Participants must register with a valid 2020 contract number by February 18, 2020 at 5 PM ET.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on how to register.</p>
<p>CMS Memo Title & Release Date</p>	<p>Invitation to Provide Feedback on the Redesigned Medicare Plan Finder Tool – Dated 2/4/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS requested feedback on the redesigned Medicare Plan Finder (MPF), including the related Health Plan Management System (HPMS) modules that support Part D pricing file submissions, plan benefit and drug pricing previews, suppressions and exclusions, and Online Enrollment Center (OEC) management. An online survey will be open between Wednesday, February 5, 2020 and Tuesday, February 18, 2020.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for details and link to the survey.</p>
<p>CMS Email Title & Release Date</p>	<p>CORRECTED WEBINAR link-- Training on the 2020 PACE Application – Dated 2/4/2020</p>
<p>Summary</p>	<p>CMS corrected the link for the 2020 PACE Application Training webinar scheduled for February 5, 2020 and previously announced on January 23, 2020.</p>
<p>Action</p>	<p>Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on how to participate in the training session.</p>

CMS Email Title & Release Date	Advance Notice of Methodological Changes for CY 2021 for MA Capitation Rates and Part C and Part D Payment Policies – Part II – Dated 2/5/2020
Summary	CMS released Part II of the Advance Notice of Methodological Changes for Calendar Year (CY) 2021 for Medicare Advantage Capitation Rates and Part C and Part D Payment Policies and 2021 draft Call Letter. A call will be held on February 7, 2020 to discuss information previously provided through the Call Letter. Comments on the proposed changes can be sent to CMS by March 6, 2020 . CMS will announce the MA capitation rates and final payment policies no later than April 6, 2020 .
Action	Applicable to PACE. Details for the conference call are provided. Refer to the call letter for items that may be applicable to your plan.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year (CY) 2021 Final Part D Bidding Instructions – Dated 2/6/2020
Summary	CMS provided instructions and reminders to Part D sponsors in preparation of bid submission for CY 2021. Of note, the HPMS formulary submission window will be open on May 11, 2020 and close at 11:59 PM PDT on June 1, 2020 .
Action	Applicable to PACE. Plans that maintain a formulary or utilization management requirements for Part D drugs must submit a formulary to CMS as outlined in the memo. Refer to the memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year 2021 Part C Benefits Review and Evaluation – Dated 2/6/2020
Summary	CMS released bid and operational instructions for CY 2021 bids submitted by MA organizations and Section 1876 Cost Plans. Comments are requested and must be submitted by 6:00 PM EST on March 9, 2020 . Additionally, CMS requests comments upon separate review of proposed rule CMS-4190-P. Comments about the NPRM will be in the final rule, and CMS will finalize the content of this memo and summarize comments and responses in early April.
Action	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for details on comment submission.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Annual Verification of Parent Organization and Legal Entity Name – Dated 2/6/2020
Summary	CMS requests all plans to review the parent organization and legal entity name listed in HPMS and report any necessary corrections by

Action	March 16, 2020. Organizations are required to keep this information up to date by reporting changes as soon as they occur. Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details and instructions.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	Suspension of CMS Use of Past Performance Review Methodology – Dated 2/6/2020
Summary	CMS announced they will no longer utilize the Past Performance Methodology to evaluate contract performance during the annual application qualification review process. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) details CMS’ approach to the usage of past performance of plans in making contract determinations going forward.
Action	Informational to PACE as PACE is excluded from the performance analysis.

Important Date Reminders

Date	Item
June 29, 2020 11:59 PM ET	Deadline for 2019 PDE Submissions
June 30, 2020 11:59 PM PT	Deadline for 2019 Direct & Indirect Remuneration (DIR) Submission

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

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