

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Invitation to Provide Feedback on the Contract Year 2021 Bid Submission – Dated 8/07/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS invited all plans to provide feedback on the Contract Year 2021 bid submission process in HPMS. A list of the specific areas CMS is looking for on comments and suggestions is included. Any comments and feedback can be submitted from <b>August 10th to August 21st, 2020</b> through the link provided. HPMS user access is not required.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Invitation to Provide Feedback on the Contract Year 2021 Bid Pricing (Actuarial) Requirements– Dated 8/07/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS invited all plans and certified actuaries to provide feedback on the Contract Year 2021 actuarial bid process in HPMS. A list of the specific areas CMS is looking for on comments and suggestions is included. Any comments and feedback can be submitted from <b>August 10th to August 21st, 2020 5 PM EST</b> through the link provided. HPMS user access is not required.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details
<b>CMS Email Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Correction to the July 29, 2020 HPMS memo, “Model Notice Correction and Updates” – Dated 8/11/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS issued a correction to a previous memo “Model Notice Correction and Updates” as the footer in the model document for the Formulary (Abridged and Comprehensive) Model template does not require action.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE plans who do not utilize and submit a formulary to CMS.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Further Guidance on the Contract Year (CY) 2021 Drug Pricing and Plan Benefit Preview – Dated 8/11/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS informed plans of the opportunity to preview their CY 2021 drug pricing data prior to publication on Medicare Plan Finder on <b>Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> 11:59 PM ET</b> . There will be two opportunities to preview the drug pricing data as listed in the memo. The new path link to the preview functionality is provided.

<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE as PACE plans do not have drug pricing data on Plan Finder but should ensure their organization data is displayed accurately.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Enrollment Guidance Policy Changes and Updates and Model Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan Individual Enrollment Request Form for Contract Year 2021 – Dated 8/11/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS has issued Medicare Advantage, Prescription Drug Plan and Cost Plan Enrollment and Disenrollment Guidance revisions for CY2021. These updated will primarily reflect changes resulting from final regulations published on <b>June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020</b> in CMS-4190F. CMS has also revised the “long” model form used for MA and PDP enrollment to a new and improved “shortened” form to simplify the enrollment process.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Medicare Part C and Part D Improper Payment Measures (IPMs) – End of COVID-19 Provider Contract Restrictions – Reporting for Part C and Part D Fiscal years (FYs) 2020 and 2021 IPMs – Dated 8/12/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS provided an update to plans to resume the Part C and Part D IPMs on <b>August 3, 2020</b> . Plans may contact providers to request documentation for IPMs to support the FY 2021 measures.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Email Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Updated CY2021 Plan-Specific Low-Income Subsidy Premium Amounts for Employer Plans – Dated 8/13/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS identified an error in the CY 2021 plan-specific low-income premium subsidy amount for EGWPs. The amount has been re-calculated. Plan specific Part D premium information can be found in the path link provided.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Medicare Advantage Encounter Data – Update on Data Exchange Reports– Dated 08/18/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CMS is extending the deadline for submission of responses to the Data Exchange reports until <b>Thursday, October 8, 2020</b> in order to allow Medicare Advantage Organizations and other entities to focus on data submissions for the upcoming risk adjustment deadline.

<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Updates to the Health Plan Management System Electronic Contracting Module – Release of the Contracts and Addenda for Contract Year (CY) 2021 – Dated 8/19/2020
<b>Summary</b>	CY 2021 contracts and addenda have been released in HPMS Electronic Contracting Module. Plans must execute contracts via the electronic signature process in HPMS. Signed contracts are due no later than <b>August 31, 2020</b> . Plans that fail to submit signatures by the deadline will not be included in the 2020 Medicare & You Handbook.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE as the memo does not apply to PACE.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Allow End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Beneficiaries to Enroll in Medicare Advantage (MA) and Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plans – Dated 08/19/2020
<b>Summary</b>	The Cures Act releases an update to the Social Security Act to expand enrollment options to include individuals with ESRD effective on <b>January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021</b> . CMS asks that MA organizations make conforming changes to accept enrollments from ESRD beneficiaries for January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Revised Part D Notice of Denial of Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (CMS 10146) – Dated 08/20/2020
<b>Summary</b>	The revised the OMB-approved standardized Notice of Denial of Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage is now available for implementation, though CMS will not enforce use of the notice until <b>January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021</b> . This revised denial notice must be provided to Part D enrollees when a sponsor issues an adverse coverage determination.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Contract Year (CY) 2021 Online Enrollment Center (OEC) Timeline and Requirements – Dated 08/21/2020
<b>Summary</b>	This memo provides technical guidance for participation in the CY 2021 OEC. For CY 2021, organizations will continue to use the Health Plan Management System (HPMS) OEC Management module to download their OEC enrollment applications, and for select plan types, to “opt-in” or “opt-out” of the OEC process.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE as the memo does not apply to PACE.

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**Important Date Reminders**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>
August 17, 2020 - August 24, 2020 5 PM ET	Submission Template Contract Year 2021 Opioid Safety Edits- Submission Window
October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	Deadline for submission of responses to the Data Exchange Reports.
September 30, 2020 1 PM ET	Deadline for Part D Payment Reconciliation Reopening for CY 2015 PDE Data Submission
<i>*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.</i>	

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