

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Encounter Data Software Release Updates: Announcement of changes to Edit 20495 and Edit 01415, and Update on Type of Bill 87X for Risk Adjustment - Dated 07/16/2021
<b>Summary</b>	<p>CMS has implemented a software update related to accepting and processing encounter data to support the MA program. The changes apply to the edits below :</p> <p>Edit 20495 “Revenue Code is Non-Billable for TOB” – This edit code will be deactivated after May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.</p> <p>Edit 01415 “Rendering Provider Not Eligible for DOS” - This edit code will be deactivated after May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.</p> <p>TOB 87X Freestanding Nonresidential Opioid Treatment Program – Records will be identified as risk adjustment allowable for years for which the final risk adjustment data submission deadline has not passed. For records submitted in June 2021 and forward MAO-004 reports will reflect the update starting with the July 2021 report.</p>
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Part D Summary 2016 DIR Report for the 2016 Reopening – Submission Reminder – Dated 07/16/2021
<b>Summary</b>	<p>CMS reminded plans of the upcoming deadline for Summary 2016 DIR Report for the 2016 reopening. All plans who intend to submit the 2016 Summary DIR Report should submit no later than <b>11:59 PM PT on July 31, 2021.</b></p>
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Plans who need to resubmit a report for 2016 DIR should refer to the memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Coordinating State Passive Enrollment with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Reassignment for January 2022 – Dated 07/16/2021
<b>Summary</b>	<p>This memo provides additional information on coordinating states’ passive enrollment activities with Medicare’s annual reassignment process for states implementing demonstrations under the capitated model of the Financial Alignment Initiative (FAI).</p>
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE. Refer to memo for details if this is applicable to your plan.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Technical Guidance for the July 24, 2021 MARx Software Release - Special Election Period (SEP) Reason Code – Dated 07/22/2021

<b>Summary</b>	The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) implements software changes to their enrollment and payment systems. This memo contains the same information that was issued on April 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 memo titled “Announcement of the July 24, 2021 Software Release – Special Election Period (SEP) Reason code.” Please refer to memo for complete details.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE.
<b>CMS Email Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Final Medicare Part C and Part D Program Audit Protocols (CMS-10717) User Trainings – Dated 07/23/2021
<b>Summary</b>	The Medicare Parts C and D Oversight and Enforcement Group (MOEG) is announcing a three-part training series to provide technical assistance on the final audit protocols it will use to conduct the Medicare Part C and Part D Program Audits effective in 2022.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to memo for complete details.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Action Required: Release Date for Important 2022 Information – Dated 07/23/2021
<b>Summary</b>	On July 29, 2021, CMS plans to release the Part D base beneficiary premium, the Part D national average monthly bid amount, the de minimis amount, and other important Part C and Part D information for contract year 2022. Plans will have from Thursday, July 29, 2021 until 11:59 PM Pacific Daylight Time on Thursday, August 5, 2021 to complete rebate reallocation and, thereafter, from Friday, August 6, 2021 until 11:59 PM Pacific Daylight Time on Friday, August 13, 2021 to inform CMS of their intent to participate in the voluntary de minimis program.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE. This memo is specific to MA-PD and PDP plans.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Model Notice Corrections and Updates – Dated 07/23/2021
<b>Summary</b>	This memorandum provides Medicare Advantage Organizations (MAOs), Section 1876 Cost Plans and Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs) with corrections to the following model templates: Contract Year (CY) 2022 Annual Notice of Change (ANOC); Evidence of Coverage (EOC); Part D Explanation of Benefits (EOB); and Part D Transition Letter.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Enrollment Process for Medicare Advantage Organizations with Transition Requests for their D-SNP Look-Alike Membership Effective January 1, 2022 – Dated 07/26/2021
<b>Summary</b>	CMS provides further information on the enrollment transition process and noticing requirements for Medicare Advantage (MA) organizations that responded to the May 18, 2021 HPMS memo “Dual Eligible Special Needs

	Plan (D-SNP) ‘Look-Alike’ Transitions for Contract Year (CY) 2022” and received an email from CMS regarding those transitions.
<b>Action</b>	Refer to memo for details if this is applicable to your plan.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Contract Year (CY) 2022 Drug Pricing and Plan Benefit Previews – Dated 07/28/2021
<b>Summary</b>	CMS encourages organizations to preview their CY 2022 drug pricing data, plan benefits, and out-of-pocket cost estimate data prior to publication in the Medicare Plan Finder on October 1, 2021. Preview windows will be open August 11-17th, 2021 and September 7-10th, 2021 as specified in the memo. Preview guidance and changes as well as a path link to the preview functionality are provided.
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Although PACE plans do not have drug pricing data on Plan Finder, please refer to the memo for complete details to ensure all necessary contact information for your organization is accurately stated in HPMS.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug System (MARx) August 2021 Payment – INFORMATION – Dated 07/28/2021
<b>Summary</b>	CMS released information about the August payment scheduled for July 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 and may require plan action on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct Bill Late Enrollment Penalty Charges for 2021</li> <li>• Sequestration Suspension</li> <li>• Changes to MARx Plan Transaction Processing</li> </ul>
<b>Action</b>	Applicable to PACE. Refer to memo for items that may be applicable to your plan.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Summer Update Window for CY 2022 Formularies – Dated 07/28/2021
<b>Summary</b>	CMS is granting conditional approvals for CY 2022 formularies and is in the process of contacting organizations with outstanding formulary issues. Organizations will have the opportunity to make limited updates to their approved CY 2022 formulary submissions from 12:00 a.m. EDT August 5, 2021 through 5:00 p.m. EDT August 9, 2021.
<b>Action</b>	Informational to PACE plans that utilize a formulary.
<b>CMS Memo Title &amp; Release Date</b>	Action Required: Annual Release of Part D National Average Bid Amount and Other Part C & D Bid Information. – Dated 07/29/2021
<b>Summary</b>	CMS provided the determination of the amounts for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part D National Average Monthly Bid Amount, Beneficiary Premium, and Regional Low-Income Premium Subsidy Amounts</li> <li>• MA Regional PPO Benchmarks and EGWP Payment Rates</li> <li>• De Minimis Amount</li> </ul>

**Action**

Informational to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details.

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**Important Date Reminders**

July 31, 2021	2016 Part D Payment Reconciliation Deadline
August 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2021	CY2022 Opioid Safety Edit Submission Deadline
<i>*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.</i>	

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