

~ Updates on HPMS Memos ~

CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug System (MARx) September 2021 Payment – INFORMATION – Dated 08/17/2021
Summary	<p>CMS released information about the September payment which is scheduled for September 1st, 2021 and may require plan action on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicaid Statuses on the August Monthly Membership Report (MMR) • National Medicare Education Campaign (NMEC) / Coordination of Benefits (COB) User Fees for 2021 • Sequestration Suspension • Changes to MARx Plan Transaction Processing
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for items that may be applicable to your plan.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Release of Contract Approval Status Report – Dated 08/19/2021
Summary	<p>CMS released the Contract Year (CY) 2022 Contract Approval Status Report in the Health Plan Management System (HPMS). This report displays all HPMS components required for contract approval (i.e., application, electronic contracting, formulary, plan connectivity, plan bids, basic contract management, and service area). Organizations are encouraged to access this report to ensure that you have completed all of the requirements for which you are responsible</p>
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to memo for complete details
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	COVID-19 Flexibilities Reminder – Dated 08/20/2021
Summary	<p>Due to the recent surge of the COVID-19 delta variant increasing hospitalizations across the country, CMS encourages organizations to waive or relax prior authorization requirements and utilization management processes to facilitate more timely transitions from hospitals to ensure open acute-care bed availability.</p>
Action	Refer to memo for complete details.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Release of the Contracts and Addenda for Contract Year (CY) 2022 – Dated 08/20/2022

Summary	CY 2022 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 August 31, 2021. Plans that fail to submit signatures by the deadline will not be included in the 2022 Medicare & You Handbook.
Action	Informational to PACE as the memo does not apply to PACE.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Contract Year (CY) 2022 Online Enrollment Center (OEC) Timeline and Requirements – Dated 08/20/2021
Summary	This memo provides technical guidance for participation in the CY 2022 OEC. For CY 2022, 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.
Action	Informational to PACE as the memo does not apply to PACE.
CMS Email Title & Release Date	ACTION: Payment Year 2020 Risk Adjustment Attestation Reminder – Dated 08/23/2021
Summary	CMS requires all plans to submit a risk adjustment attestation annually. The attestation for PY 2020 (2019 dates of service) are available on HPMS. Plans are asked to complete the applicable attestation for their plan and submit to CMS by Thursday, September 2 2021 by 11:59 PM PDT
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for complete details on how to register.
CMS Memo Title & Release Date	Encounter Data Software Release Updates: 2021 Quarter 3 Release – Dated 08/24/2021
Summary	CMS provided detailed information on the release of systems changes effective August 27th, 2021 . Encounter Data Processing System changes are as listed in the memo and may require plan action.
Action	Applicable to PACE. Refer to the memo for items that may be applicable to your plan.

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Important Date Reminders

August 23 rd , 2021	CY2022 Opioid Safety Edit Submission Deadline
<i>*Subject to change, forthcoming information to be release by CMS.</i>	

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