



## The Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) and E-Prescribing (eRx) Medicare Quality Reporting Incentive Programs Manual – JA6935

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**Contractors Affected**

- Medicare Carriers
- Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)

**Provider Types Affected** Provider types affected are physicians and non-physician practitioners who are eligible professionals (EPs) participating in the PQRI and/or the eRx Incentive Programs and submitting claims to Medicare Carriers and MACs for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.



- Change Request (CR) 6935 announces the availability of a new Medicare manual describing the PQRI and eRx Incentive Programs.
- The manual does not establish new requirements for the PQRI and eRx programs.
- Changes to the programs are described in the annual Medicare Physician Fee Schedule legislation.

- This new manual entitled, *Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) and E- Prescribing (eRx) Medicare Quality Reporting Incentive Programs Manual*, will be Publication 100-22.

**Provider Needs to Know...**

- It will be available at <http://www.cms.gov/manuals/IOM/list.asp> on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website.
- Chapter 1 of the manual describes current policies for the PQRI initiative.
- Chapter 2 documents current policies for the eRx program.

Background      N/A

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Operational      N/A  
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Reference      The related MLN Matters® article can be found at  
Materials      <http://www.cms.gov/MLN MattersArticles/downloads/MM6935.pdf> on the CMS website.  
  
The official instruction (CR6935) issued regarding this change may be found at  
<http://www.cms.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1QRI.pdf> on the CMS website.

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