

**CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES
CONTINUING EDUCATION (CMSCE)**

**How to Interpret Your 2012 Supplemental
Quality and Resource Use Report
MLN Connects™ National Provider Call, 13AUG2014**

CE Activity Information & Instructions

Activity Information

<i>Activity Description:</i>	1
<i>Target Audience:</i>	1
<i>Learning Objective:</i>	1
<i>Participation:</i>	1
<i>Speaker Bios & Disclosures:</i>	1
<i>Continuing Education Credit Available:</i>	4
<i>Accreditation Statements</i>	4

Instructions for Continuing Education Credit

<i>Learning Management System (LMS) Instructions</i>	4
<i>Registering To Take a Post-Assessment</i>	
<i>Finding the Post-Assessment</i>	
<i>Viewing Your Transcript and Certificates</i>	
<i>Hardware/Software Requirements</i>	5
<i>CMS Privacy Policy</i>	5
<i>Help</i>	5



Activity Information

Activity Description:

During this MLN Connects™ National Provider Call, speakers provide an overview of the Program Year (PY) 2012 Supplemental Quality and Resource Use Reports (QRURs). These confidential reports are now available for group practices with 100 or more eligible professionals that received group 2012 QRURs. The PY 2012 Supplemental QRURs provide medical group practices with summary level and detailed drill down information on payment-standardized, risk-adjusted clinical episodes of care that are attributed to the medical group, including information about Medicare providers who care for the patient during the episode both inside and outside the medical group. More information on the 2012 Supplemental QRURs is available on the [Episode Grouping for Medicare and Supplemental QRURs](#) web page.

The 2012 Supplemental QRURs are for informational purposes only and complement the quality and per capita cost information provided in the 2012 QRURs. The information contained in the 2012 Supplemental QRURs does not affect Medicare payment and is not part of the value-based payment modifier under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule.

CMS encourages groups to access their PY 2012 Supplemental QRURs prior to this MLN Connects Call, via the [CMS Enterprise portal](#) using an Individuals Authorized Access to the CMS Computer Services (IACS) User ID and password. A quick reference guide for obtaining an IACS account or modifying an existing account is available on the [Self Nomination/Registration](#) web page.

Target Audience:

This activity is designed for physicians, physician group practices, practice managers, medical and specialty societies.

Learning Objective:

By the end of the teleconference, the participant should be able to:

- Identify the basic model of an episode of care; and
- Recognize the tables within the 2012 Supplemental QRURs Exhibits and those within the 2012 Supplemental QRURs Drill Down Tables.

Participation:

Register for the teleconference, participate in the teleconference and access and complete the assessment and evaluation, per the [Instructions for Continuing Education Credit](#), at the end of this document.

Speaker Bios & Disclosures:

No one in a position to control the content of this activity has anything to disclose. The planners/developers of this activity have signed a disclosure statement indicating that he/she has no relevant financial interests. This activity was developed without commercial support.

Jay Bhattacharya, MD, presenter, is a physician and economist who has served as a Senior Research Associate at Acumen LLC for over a decade. Dr. Bhattacharya is also an Associate

Professor of Medicine at Stanford University. He has published many articles related to Medicare in the peer-reviewed medical and economics literatures. He has worked, in his capacity as a Senior Research Associate at Acumen LLC on many contracts with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) that involve the economic analysis of Medicare data.

Craig Caplan, presenter, has been employed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since June 2007, as an Economist and Health Insurance Specialist, working on Medicare Fee-for-Service initiatives related to Part A and Part B services.

Camille Chicklis, presenter, has been employed by Acumen, LLC, a contractor for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), from October 2011 to the present, as a Policy Associate.

Timothy Cuerdon, presenter, has conducted and overseen health services research for more than 20 years as a Federal employee. The bulk of his federal career has been spent with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), but he started his career at the General Accounting Office (GAO), and also spent part of his career at the National Institute for Mental Health (NIMH) and at the Veteran's Health Administration (VHA). He is currently the Director of the Division of Research on Payment and Accountability, in the Research and Rapid-cycle Evaluation Group, CMMI, CMS, where he supervises the evaluation of many payment and service delivery models mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Mark A. Levine, MD, presenter, serves the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) as the Chief Medical Officer in the Denver office. A board-certified internist, he is a veteran of more than 20 years of medical practice. Dr. Levine is the lead CMS clinician on the episode grouper project.

John Pilotte, presenter, is the Director of the Performance-Based Payment Policy Group in the Center for Medicare at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). John manages a team of analysts responsible for designing and implementing the Medicare Shared Savings Program for Accountable Care Organizations as well as other value based purchasing programs for hospitals, physicians and other providers. Previously, John was the Director of Payment Policy Demonstration in CMS' Office of Research Development and Information. Prior to joining CMS, he was a senior consultant with PricewaterhouseCoopers healthcare practice, and an associate on the government relations staff of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions.

Jennifer Podulka, MPAff, presenter, is a Policy Researcher with Acumen, LLC, where she manages multiple projects related to the construction and application of episodes of care.

Brittany Prescott, presenter, has been employed by Acumen, LLC, a contractor for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), from October 2011 to present, as a Policy Associate.

Kimberly Spalding Bush, presenter, presently works as the Acting Division Director for the Division of Value Based Payment. She oversees teams to implement value-based purchasing for physicians and hospitals so that Medicare rewards value rather than volume. As part of these responsibilities, she also directs the program that provides feedback reports to physicians

about the quality of care furnished compared to cost for Medicare beneficiaries. She has been employed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since 2005, with previous experience in medical review and education and Medicare appeals.

Rachel Yong, presenter, has been employed by Acumen, LLC, a contractor to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), from August 2013 as a Data and Policy Analyst.

Continuing Education Credit Available:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is evaluating this activity for continuing education (CE) credit. The number of credits awarded will be calculated following the activity based on the actual learning time and will be reflected on the post activity continuing education announcement. Final CE information on the amount of credit and post activity assessment and evaluation instructions will be forwarded to participants after the activity is finished.

Accreditation Statements

[Please click here for accreditation statements](#)

Instructions for Continuing Education Credit

Learning Management System (LMS) Instructions

In order to receive continuing education credits for this teleconference, you must pass the session post-assessment and complete the evaluation. The continuing education post-assessment and evaluation are being administered through the Medicare Learning Network®.

Registering To Take a Post-Assessment

If you have previously taken Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) web-based training courses, you may use the login ID and password you created for those courses. If you are a new user, you will need to register.

To register:

1. Go to <http://go.cms.gov/MLNProducts> on the CMS website.
2. Under “Related Links” click on “Web-Based Training (WBT) Courses”.
3. Click on a course title (not the icon next to the title) to open a Course Description Window.
4. At the top of the Course Description Window, click “Register”.
5. You will be redirected to a page that instructs you to enter an e-mail address and click “Submit.”
6. The screen returned will read: No account was found matching your search criteria. Please click here to proceed with registration. Click the word “Here” to continue with registration. After completing this registration, you will be re-directed to your home page.

To login if you already have an account:

1. Go to <http://go.cms.gov/MLNProducts> on the CMS website.
2. Under “Related Links” click on “Web-Based Training (WBT) Courses.”
3. Click on a course title (not the icon next to the title) to open a Course Description Window.
4. At the top of the Course Description Window, click “Login.”

5. Enter your login ID and password. You will be re-directed to your home page.

Finding the Post-Assessment

Once you are logged into the LMS:

1. Click on the Web-Based Training Courses link.
2. At the top of the page on the right-hand side, you will see “Topic.” Scroll through the topics and select “**MLN Connects™ Call**” and click “Search.”
3. Select “**13AUG2014 How to Interpret Your 2012 QRUR**” in the left column.
4. Scroll to the bottom of the page. Use the radio buttons to select Certification of Completion or Certificate of Continuing Education.
5. Click the “Take Course” button. The course will appear in a new pop-up window.

Viewing Your Transcript and Certificates

1. Go to <http://go.cms.gov/MLNProducts> on the CMS website.
2. Click on Web-Based Training Modules link at the bottom of the page.
3. Click on the title of a course and click on Login.
4. Log in using your CMS LMS credentials.
5. To access your certificate, click on “My Homepage” in the left hand menu.
6. Click on “Transcript/Certificate.”
7. Click on the Certificate link next to the course title. The course evaluation will display. Once you complete the course evaluation, your certificate will display.

Hardware/Software Requirements

[Please click here for hardware and software requirements](#)

CMS Privacy Policy

[Please click here for CMS' Privacy Policy](#)

Help

- For help with registration or technical teleconference assistance e-mail us at cms-mlnconnectsnpc@blhtech.com or view the HELP page frequently asked questions at <http://www.eventsvc.com/blhtechnologies/apage/faq.html>.
- For assistance with the Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) Learning Management System, your assessment or certificate, contact CMSCE@cms.hhs.gov via e-mail.

