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Special Open Door Forum:
Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Tier Comorbidity Updates:
Soliciting Stakeholder Input
Thursday, June 16, 2016
2:00-3:30 pm Eastern Time
Conference Call Only

CMS will host a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to allow inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs) and other stakeholders to provide input and suggestions to CMS regarding the areas of most concern or interest for updating the tier comorbidity portion of IRF payments.

The purpose of the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Tier Comorbidity Updates project is to update the tier comorbidities used in calculating Medicare payments for IRF services so that IRF payments align as closely as possible with the costs of providing the services. CMS is working with Acumen, LLC to analyze the tier comorbidities list and policies, which were last updated in fiscal years 2006 and 2007. We are seeking stakeholder input as we begin this process to ensure that we include in our analysis all stakeholder comments and areas of concern.

Here is the link to "Data Files" page that has the slides and the current list of tier comorbidities used in determining IRF payments: https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/InpatientRehabFacPPS/Data-Files.html

Feedback and questions on the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Tier Comorbidity Updates project can be sent to: IRFCoverage@cms.hhs.gov

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Participation Instructions: Participant Dial-In Number: 1-866-778-8325 Conference ID #: 77742091

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