

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:
Open Payments Notice to Inform Future Rulemaking
Tuesday, August 2, 2016
1:30-3:00 pm Eastern Time
Conference Call Only

CMS is seeking input from Open Payments stakeholders to inform future rulemaking and other enhancements to the program by hosting a Special Open Door Forum. This effort is separate from the third reporting cycle, which published data on June 30, 2016. This solicitation will not impact any future reporting requirements without additional rulemaking or public notice.

Open Payments is a congressionally-mandated national disclosure program created by the Affordable Care Act that promotes transparency and accountability in the health care industry. The Open Payments program makes information about the financial relationships between drug, medical supply, biological, and device manufacturers, and physicians and teaching hospitals available to the public. Implementing regulations are at 42 CFR part 402, subpart A, and part 403, subpart I. CMS is soliciting feedback from Open Payments stakeholders on expanding and clarifying Open Payments program requirements. We are under no statutory deadlines or implementation schedules that require us to make any changes to the current rule. However, stakeholder feedback is important as we move forward in enhancing our system and refining our reporting requirements. Our focus is on increasing efficiency and minimizing burden while maintaining the goal of transparency in the healthcare industry.

Here is the link to our event page with the Open Door Forum

Slides: <https://www.cms.gov/OpenPayments/Downloads/2017-physicianfeeschedule.pdf>

The Open Payments Solicitation in the proposed 2017 Physician Fee Schedule can be found at: <http://federalregister.gov/a/2016-16097>

If you have any questions about the Open Payments data, website, or how to report, please contact openpayments@cms.hhs.gov.

Feedback and questions about the solicitation in the Physician Fee Schedule or the Open Door Forum can be sent to: openpaymentscomments@cms.hhs.gov.

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Participation Instructions:

Participant Dial-In Number: 1-800-837-1935

Conference ID #: 44678813

Note: TTY Communications Relay Services are available for the Hearing Impaired. For TTY services dial 7-1-1 or 1-800-855-2880. A Relay Communications Assistant will help.

A transcript and audio recording of this Special ODF will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp for downloading.

For automatic emails of Open Door Forum schedule updates (E-Mailing list subscriptions) and to view Frequently Asked Questions please visit our website at <http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/>.

Thank you for your interest in CMS Open Door Forums.