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TO: Medicare-Medicaid Plans in Texas

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SUBJECT: Revised Texas-Specific Reporting Requirements and Value Sets Workbook

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the release of the revised Medicare-Medicaid Capitated Financial Alignment Model Reporting Requirements: Texas-Specific Reporting Requirements and corresponding Texas-Specific Value Sets Workbook. These documents provide updated guidance, technical specifications, and applicable codes for the state-specific measures that Texas Medicare-Medicaid Plans (MMPs) are required to collect and report under the demonstration. As with prior annual update cycles, revisions were made in an effort to streamline and clarify reporting expectations for Texas MMPs.

Please see below for a summary of the substantive changes to the Texas-Specific Reporting Requirements. Note that the Texas-Specific Value Sets Workbook also includes changes; Texas MMPs should carefully review and incorporate the updated value sets, particularly for measures TX1.3, TX4.13, and TX4.14.

Texas MMPs must use the updated specifications and value sets for measures due on or after June 1, 2020. Texas MMPs must also reference the latest Prevention Quality Indicators (PQI) technical specifications when reporting measure TX4.17 on April 30, 2020.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at mmcocapsreporting@cms.hhs.gov.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Measure TX1.3
- In the Notes section, revised the hospice exclusion for data element A to reflect that the Hospice value set was replaced with two value sets (Hospice Encounter and Hospice Intervention) and to clarify that supplemental data may be used as well.
Measure TX2.1
- In the Analysis section, added information about additional calculations that will be used to evaluate reported data.

Measure TX3.1
- In the Notes section, clarified that service coordinators should be counted in data element A if they were with the MMP for at least six months at any point during the reporting period.

Measure TX4.13
- Revised the measure to align with updated specifications from the measure steward (NCQA/HEDIS).
- In the Notes section, revised the continuous enrollment criteria to align with the data element A definition within the data element table.

Measure TX4.14
- Revised the measure to align with updated specifications from the measure steward (NCQA/HEDIS).

Measure TX4.16
- Retired this measure effective as of Calendar Year 2019.

Measure TX4.17
- Removed dehydration admissions from data element B, since that indicator was retired by the measure steward (AHRQ/PQI).
- In the Notes section, updated the website link for the PQI technical specifications.