

## ***February 2017 Actuarial User Group Call***

Thursday February 23, 2017  
11:00AM – 12:00 PM ET

**Conference ID:** 56932400  
**Participant Number:** (800) 603-1774

- Draft CY2018 BPTs and Bid Instructions were released on Tuesday
  - Announcement memo was released via HPMS on February 14<sup>th</sup>; the memo contains the weblink to download the files
    - Any comments should be submitted—via the website—by Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - General Comments on Beta Bid Instructions
  - Gain/loss Margin
  - Insurer Fees
- Advance Notice and draft Call Letter were released on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Comments are due by Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> to [AdvanceNotice2018@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:AdvanceNotice2018@cms.hhs.gov)
  - Advance notice request for industry comments regarding the potential establishment of an individual reinsurance limit for Medicare Advantage
  - Advance notice proposal to change to the spreadsheets that are published in support of the ratebook FFS rates – proposing combined FFS expenditures for the Aged and Disabled beneficiaries
- Actuarial Certification
- OOPC/TBC/meaningful differences/discriminatory cost sharing
- Upcoming Timeline
  - Rate Announcement and final Call Letter to be released on Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Bid Forms and Instructions to be released on Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Online Bidders Training to be released on Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Weekly Actuarial User Group Calls: Thursdays, April 13<sup>th</sup> through June 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Bid Submission deadline Monday June 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Initial actuarial certification due to CMS in June (likely June 9<sup>th</sup>)
- Live Q&A
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Conclusion