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1 Introduction

Section 704 of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA) of 2016 included provisions permitting Part D sponsors to establish Drug Management Programs (DMPs) for beneficiaries at-risk for misuse or abuse of frequently abused drugs (FADs). CMS published a final rule (CMS-4182-F) on April 16, 2018 (“final rule”) that established the framework under which Part D plan sponsors may establish a DMP. This rule codified the many aspects of the retrospective Part D Opioid Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Policy and Overutilization Monitoring System (OMS), with adjustments as needed to comply with CARA, by integrating them into the DMP provisions at 42 CFR § 423.153(f).

Starting January 2019, sponsors that adopt a DMP must engage in the case management of each Potential At-Risk Beneficiary (PARB) reported through OMS and provide information related to their review within 30 days. In addition, sponsors must also report through OMS any sponsor-identified PARBs, and any newly enrolled PARBs or At-Risk Beneficiaries (ARBs) for which a sponsor received a transaction reply code (TRC) of ‘376’ (New Enrollee CARA Status Notification) from the daily transaction reply report (DTRR).

The following link will take you to additional DMP guidance on the [CMS Part D Overutilization website](#).

Information about navigating the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal can be found in the Patient Safety Web Portal User Guide, located on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

1.1 Report Access

To access the OMS reports (within the Overutilization Monitoring Packages), an authorized user must be added to the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal. Current authorized users of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal with a DMP are automatically granted comparable access to OMS functionality.

All authorized users can navigate the Web Portal and receive email notifications regarding report releases. A user’s access to the OMS is limited to one of two levels:

- Summary Report Only: User can access the OMS contract-level rate reports with summary information. Users with Summary Report Only permissions are not able to access beneficiary-level data.
 - The Summary OMS report is titled:
ContractID_Summary_Overutilization_Monitoring_Report_MMDDYY.xlsx.
- Summary and Confidential Beneficiary Reports: User can access confidential beneficiary-level information in the Detail OMS report and the Summary OMS report.
 - The Detail OMS report is titled:
ContractID_Detail_Overutilization_Monitoring_Report_MMDDYY.xlsx.

A contract's Medicare Compliance Officer determines the access level of each individual associated with a given contract and can authorize "Summary and Confidential Beneficiary Reports" access for up to five users (including her/himself) per contract. Authorization must be completed through Acumen's User Security Web Portal. The following link will take you to the [Acumen User Security Web Portal](#).

At least one user from each contract must have access to Summary and Confidential Beneficiary Reports in order to view and respond to beneficiary-level reports and forms.

Users should request changes to their permission level through their contract's Medicare Compliance Officer.

Authorized users can download the Overutilization Monitoring Package through the Download Files page. For more information about downloading reports, see the Patient Safety Web Portal User Guide on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

1.2 Report and Response Process

The contract-level Overutilization Monitoring Package is provided once each quarter. Sponsors receive an email when the quarterly package is available for download. Each PARB identified by OMS is assigned a case number and is referred to in OMS as either a case or PARB. The case number is specific to the beneficiary and contract. Once the package is available, sponsors should complete the following steps:

1. **Download the Overutilization Monitoring Package(s).** The Overutilization Monitoring Package(s) is available for download on the Download Files page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal on the last business day of the given quarter. Please see the Submission Schedule document on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Web Portal for exact report release dates. Only contracts with a DMP receive an Overutilization Monitoring Package.
 - **The Summary OMS Package includes the following files:**
 - i. Summary OMS Report (.xlsx)
 - ii. Sponsor Report Form (SRF) (.xlsx)
 - iii. OMS User Guide (.pdf)
 - iv. ORF and SRF Information Workbook (.xlsx)
 - **The Detail OMS Package includes the following files:**
 - i. Detail OMS Report (.xlsx)
 - ii. OMS Response Form (ORF) – if the contract has open cases for review (.xlsx)
 - iii. Sponsor Report Form (SRF)
 - iv. OMS User Guide (.pdf)
 - v. ORF and SRF Information Workbook (.xlsx)

2. **Review closed cases (Detail Report only).** Cases are closed each quarterly report cycle dependent on sponsors' prior submitted responses or changes to a beneficiary's status.
3. **Review open cases (Detail Report only).** Open cases are reported each quarter and require sponsor responses (see Step 5). Sponsors should use the beneficiary-level information provided in the Detail Overutilization Monitoring Report to assist in performing case management. Unless the sponsor determines that the beneficiary is exempt from the DMP or does not meet the Minimum OMS criteria based on plan information, the sponsor must engage in case management through clinical contact with the prescribers to determine if the beneficiary is at-risk and if a coverage limitation(s) is necessary.
4. **Review SRF cases (Detail Report only).** All SRF cases reported by sponsors can be found in the detail report. Sponsors should review their SRF cases to verify all cases were successfully submitted and if any updates or deletions are necessary.
5. **Complete OMS Response Form (ORF) - if available.** Use the ORF to select the appropriate responses for each case. **Note:** this form is only available to contracts that have open cases in the given quarter. See Section 4.2 for more information about the ORF, including instructions for completing the form.
6. **Complete Sponsor Report Form (SRF).** Sponsors must use the SRF to report any sponsor-identified PARBs or newly enrolled PARBs or ARBs for which a sponsor received a TRC of '376' (New Enrollee CARA Status Notification) from the DTRR and after requesting the prior contract's case management information. See Section 4.3 for more information about the SRF, including instructions for completing the form.
 - Sponsor-identified cases meet either the Minimum OMS criteria or the Supplemental OMS criteria. See Section 2.1 for more details regarding the criteria.
 - **Note:** Unlike the ORF, the SRF is made available to all sponsors each quarter. The SRF is expected to be completed by sponsors each quarter. If there are no cases to report in a given quarter, please indicate so in the form.
7. **Submit ORF (if available) and SRF through the Web Portal.** Once the responses are complete, upload the ORF and SRF to the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.
 - All forms must be submitted as an .xlsx or .zip file via the secure Upload Files feature of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal in order to be considered for submission. Forms are not accepted via any other means.
 - Only completed forms are accepted by the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal. Sponsors can confirm whether a form is completed by checking the 'Overall Form Status' cell at the top of each form (See Table 6), the 'Response Status' column (See Table 8), and the 'Validation Status' or 'Preliminary Validation Status' (See Table 8 and 9) columns for every applicable case.

- Sponsors must provide responses for open ORF cases and sponsor-identified (SRF) cases within 30 days of the OMS report release date. The submission deadline is provided in the email notification and in the Submission Schedule document on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Web Portal. Sponsors who do not submit by the deadline may be subject to compliance action by CMS. Once the submission deadline passes for that report cycle, sponsors may no longer update the responses for that quarter.
8. **Confirm upload was successful.** After uploading the forms, view the Process Status on the Upload File History page to confirm the upload was successful. If the upload was successful the Process Status reads “Form(s) processed”.
 9. **Confirm case response status.** Use the Case Tracking (Table 12) page to confirm that responses were submitted for each case identified in the ORF. The status of the case must be “Submitted”.

Additional information about completing each of these steps is provided in the following sections of this guide.

2 Methodology

This section describes the current methodology used to identify cases monitored through the OMS.

2.1 OMS Identification Criteria

- **Minimum OMS Criteria:** Use of opioids with an average daily morphine milligram equivalent (MME) equal to or exceeding 90 mg for any duration during the most recent 6 months and either: 3 or more opioid prescribers and 3 or more opioid dispensing pharmacies OR 5 or more opioid prescribers, regardless of the number of opioid dispensing pharmacies. These cases are identified through OMS or by sponsors.
- **Supplemental OMS Criteria:** Use of opioids (regardless of average daily MME) during the most recent 6 months with 7 or more opioid prescribers OR 7 or more opioid dispensing pharmacies. These cases are identified by sponsors.

2.1.1 Measurement Period and Data Sources

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| Measurement Period: | The 6 months prior to the month of a given quarterly report release. This includes Prescription Drug Event (PDE) data from all contracts that a beneficiary is (or was) enrolled with a date of service during the 6 month period. |
| Data Sources: | <p>Prescription Drug Event (PDE) – used for opioid claims and resident code</p> <p>Common Medicare Environment (CME) – used for enrollment, Low Income Subsidy (LIS) status, and demographic information</p> <p>Medicare Enrollment Database (EDB) – used for hospice enrollment</p> <p>Common Working File (CWF) and Encounter Data System (EDS) – used for cancer and other exemption diagnoses</p> <p>Risk Adjustment Processing System (RAPS) – used for RxHCC cancer diagnoses</p> <p>First DataBank (FDB) – used for medication list information</p> <p>Medi-Span – used for medication list information</p> |

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Oral MME List¹ (CDC MME List) – identify opioids and their conversion factors (CF) used to calculate the MME of an opioid PDE

Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System (PECOS) – used for prescriber information

Health Plan Management System (HPMS) Data – used to identify Part D contracts with a DMP and contract-specific information

Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MARx) System – used to identify cases with an active CARA Status (i.e., an open Point of Sale (POS) Edit, Prescriber Limitation, and/or Pharmacy Limitation period)

2.1.2 Medication and Code Workbook

This workbook includes the applicable medication lists and additional codes used to identify exclusions. The medication lists include the characteristics (i.e., product name, strength, strength units, route of administration, dosage form and the opioid CFs) for opioids, benzodiazepines, gabapentin, and pregabalin. The exclusion code list includes RxHCC and International Classification of Diseases -10th Revision - Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) for cancer diagnoses and palliative care as well as PDE codes used to identify long-term care (LTC) or intermediate care facility (ICF) residents.

The specific National Drug Codes (NDCs) included in the analysis are maintained by Acumen and are created from Medi-Span and First DataBank (FDB) databases. Due to Medi-Span and FDB licensing restrictions, the medication NDCs are not provided. The medication lists are created using the following methodology:

Opioid Medication List:

- All opioid products with the same opioid ingredient, dosage form, and route of administration included on the CDC MME List are identified from the Medi-Span and FDB databases.
- The CDC MME List contains specific exclusions: opium tinctures, cough/cold products, powders, topical, and all opioids administered via intravenous, intrathecal, epidural, or injection (with the exception of buprenorphine subcutaneous prefilled syringe) routes of administration. These products are excluded from calculation of both the average MME and provider counts.
- Opioid products containing buprenorphine are excluded from the average MME calculations but are included when determining prescriber and pharmacy counts.

¹ The following link will take you to the [CDC Analyzing Prescription Data and Morphine Milligram Equivalents \(MME\) site](#), and this additional link will take you to the [Opioid Morphine EQ CF document](#).

- Opioid products containing methadone do not have a static MME CF, but instead utilize a graduated MME CFs based upon the daily MME dose. An overview of the steps used to calculate MME can be reviewed in Section 2.1.3 below.

When the 'quantity dispensed' on PDE claims is counted as 'each', such as transdermal patches and nasal sprays, the MME CF is adjusted to reflect the units and doses billed.

Benzodiazepine Medication List:

- All benzodiazepine products with the same benzodiazepine ingredient, dosage form, route of administration, and strength included on the Patient Safety Concurrent Use of Opioids and Benzodiazepines Measure NDC list.

Gabapentin and Pregabalin Medication List:

- All products with 'gabapentin' or 'pregabalin' as an active ingredient and the route of administration is 'oral'.

Exclusion Code List:

- Cancer ICD-10-CM and RXHCC codes
- Palliative Care ICD-10-CM code
- LTC and ICF PDE resident codes

The OMS medication and code workbook is available on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

2.1.3 Opioid MME Calculation

The steps below detail the average MME calculation process.

- To calculate the daily MME for each non-methadone opioid claim, use the following equations:
 - Opioid dosage units per day = (opioid claim quantity) / (opioid claim's days supply)
 - MME daily dose (mg) per claim = (number of opioid dosage units per day) × (opioid strength per unit) × (MME CF²)
 - Daily MME = each claim's MME is assigned to each calendar day spanning the date of service (DOS) plus the days supply value minus one day.
- For Methadone claims, use the following equations:
 - Methadone dosage units per day = (methadone claim quantity) / (methadone claim's days supply)
 - Methadone daily dose (mg) per claim = (methadone dosage units per day) × (methadone strength per unit)

² Opioid MME CFs are on the Opioid Medication List available on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

- Methadone daily dose per day = each Methadone claim's daily dose is assigned to each calendar day spanning the DOS plus the days supply value minus one day.
- To calculate a beneficiary's MME for each day of the measurement period, use the following equations:
 - Non-methadone total daily MME = for a given day, sum the daily MME across all claims to get the total MME for that day. Repeat for each day of the measurement period.
 - Methadone total daily MME = for a given day, sum the daily dose across all claims to get the total mg dose for that day. Repeat for each day of the measurement period. Then, depending on the total daily dose for each day, multiply by the appropriate graduated methadone MME CF³.
 - Total daily MME = (non-methadone total daily MME) + (methadone total daily MME) for each given day of utilization
- The following equations are used to calculate the average MME for each opioid user:
 - Total MME = sum of total daily MME within the measurement period⁴
 - Duration of opioid usage = number of days between first and last day of opioid use within the measurement period (inclusive of first and last days of utilization)
 - Average MME = Total MME / Duration of opioid usage

A detailed example of the MME calculation can be found in Appendix A.

2.1.4 Opioid Provider Count Methodology

- Buprenorphine PDE claims contribute towards a beneficiary's opioid prescriber and opioid dispensing pharmacy counts.
- To count the number of unique opioid prescribers, the prescriber National Provider ID (NPI) is taken from the 'prescriber ID' on the PDE data. The PDE NPIs are then matched with the NPIs found in the PECOS database, where relationships between individuals and organizations can be established. Individual prescribers with the same single organizational Tax Identification Number (TIN) are grouped and counted as one prescriber. No grouping takes place if a relationship cannot be established or if the PDE does not contain an NPI.
- To count the number of unique opioid dispensing pharmacies, the pharmacy NPI is taken from the 'service provider' and 'alternate service provider' IDs on the PDE data. If only the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) pharmacy ID is available, an attempt is made to crosswalk the NCPDP to a NPI ID. Otherwise, the pharmacy ID found in the 'service provider' field is used.

³ Methadone MME CFs are on the Opioid Medication List available on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis web portal.

⁴ By calculating a daily MME and limiting the total MME to days within the measurement period, any days supply or quantity dispensed beyond the measurement period is excluded.

2.1.5 OMS Report Exceptions

Beneficiaries that meet any of the following criteria are not reported:

- Beneficiaries with a LTC or ICF resident code (“03” and “09” respectively) on the last PDE of the 6 month measurement period.
- Beneficiaries with a cancer diagnosis in the CWF or Medicare Advantage encounter data during the 12 months prior to the end of the measurement period or identified with a cancer RxHCC in the most recent available RAPS.
- Beneficiaries enrolled in hospice, according to EDB, at any point during the 6 month measurement period.
- Beneficiaries with at least 1 inpatient or at least 2 outpatient claims on different dates of service with a Z51.5 (“Encounter for palliative care”) diagnosis code in the CWF or Medicare Advantage encounter data during the 6 month measurement period.
- Beneficiaries with a death date in the CME.
- Beneficiaries who are not Part D enrolled as of the last month of the measurement period.
- Beneficiaries with an active CARA Status as of the end of the measurement period i.e., an open period for a POS Edit, Prescriber Limitation, and/or Pharmacy Limitation in MARx for any FAD.
- Beneficiaries suppressed due to an active ORF or SRF exception or sponsor response. See Sections 4.3 and 4.4 for more details regarding ORF and SRF exceptions and sponsor responses that suppress beneficiaries from OMS reporting.

2.1.6 Informational Report Metrics

The OMS reports include several metrics for Part D sponsors as supplemental information, including:

- **High Opioid Daily Dose (90 MME) Rate:** Calculated as the total number of opioid utilization days equal to or exceeding 90 MME per 1,000 opioid utilization days for all Part D enrolled beneficiaries within the contract during the 6 month measurement period.
- **Total Open ORF Cases with Concurrent Potentiator Drug and Opioid Use:** Concurrent use is defined as at least 1 day of overlapping days supply of both the opioid and potentiator drug claim during the 6 month measurement period. The concurrent opioid-potentiator drug metrics are calculated for the following drugs: benzodiazepine, high dose gabapentin (>2,400 mg), and pregabalin.

2.1.7 Update History

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| January 2020: | HICN no longer reported or captured in any reports. Data entry to the HICN field is blocked. |
| | Medicare Advantage encounter data added to identify beneficiaries with exempt diagnoses, such as cancer and palliative care. |

Clarified that the two palliative care outpatient claims are on different dates of service.

Change in suppression rule for 'Review in Progress' responses to close cases that no longer meet the OMS Minimum Criteria during the current measurement period.

Definition clarifications made to the following response descriptions:

- J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary – 'Wait and See' (O1)
- K. Exceptions -- K6, K7 and K9
- E. Review Status -- 'Review in Progress' (R1) for both the ORF and SRF.

April 2019:

Imbedded Validation Check – The ORF and SRF was updated with a 'Validation Status' column to check the validity of responses. All cases must have a 'Complete' Response Status and a 'Valid' Validation Status for the form to be successfully submitted by the 30-day reporting deadline. The validation status for SRF cases is preliminary, pending successful validation of the health insurance claim number (HICN) or Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) fields.

Validation Reports – The validity of response combinations is now checked within the ORF and SRF instead of through the Validation Reports. SRF cases with invalid HICN and MBI fields will be reported to sponsors as 'invalid' in the contract detail reports. Any 'invalid' SRF cases should be deleted and re-submitted through OMS during the next reporting cycle.

SRF Deletion – A new response code 'DEL' was added to the 'Method of Identification' element of the SRF. Selecting this response code and 'NA' for all subsequent elements will result in deletion of the SRF case. Sponsors should check their contract detail report for confirmation.

"Update" Response Code Removal – The 'R3. Update' response code for the 'Review Status' element was removed. 'R2. Review Complete' should be used for completed reviews of new cases as well as updated responses to previously reported cases. 'R1. In Progress' should still be used for cases pending completion.

3 OMS Report Structure

All Part D sponsors with a Medicare Part D DMP receive a Summary Overutilization Monitoring Report with contract-level information regarding the contract's enrollees and their opioid utilization. Sponsors with open cases also receive a Detail Overutilization Monitoring Report which contains the same summary overview, along with beneficiary-level information for all open and closed cases identified through OMS (ORF cases).

3.1 OMS Reports

This section outlines the levels of analysis included in the Detail Overutilization Monitoring Report Package. Each sub-section contains a description of each metric, any related notes, and a table of key elements that are found in the corresponding worksheets.

3.1.1 Contract Summary

Worksheet Description: Presents a summary of open and closed cases reported through OMS at the contract-level. The Contract Summary worksheet provides two tables: a summary of the sponsor's current enrollees and open cases, as well as a historical (overall) summary of ORF and SRF cases reported. These summary metrics are broken out at the following beneficiary group levels: All Enrollees, Non-LIS Beneficiaries, and LIS Beneficiaries.

Key Elements:

Table 1: Current Summary Key Elements

| Key Element | Definition |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Total Part D Enrollees | Total number of Part D beneficiaries enrolled in contract during the period measured. |
| Total Opioid Utilizers | Total number of beneficiaries with at least one prescription fill for an opioid. |
| % of Enrollees who are Opioid Utilizers | Calculated as Total Opioid Utilizers / Total Part D Enrollees |
| Total Open ORF Cases | Total number of beneficiaries identified as a case (PARBs) by meeting the Minimum OMS criteria. This number may include beneficiaries who were identified as a case in a previous OMS report and do not meet the exception criteria. |
| % of Opioid Users that are Open ORF Cases | Calculated as Total Open ORF Cases / Total Opioid Utilizers |
| Total Open ORF Cases with Concurrent Benzodiazepine and Opioid Use | Total number of open ORF cases where the beneficiary has at least one day of concurrent benzodiazepine and opioid use. |
| Total Open ORF Cases with Concurrent High Dose Gabapentin (>2400 mg) and Opioid Use | Total number of open ORF cases where the beneficiary has at least one day of concurrent high dose gabapentin (> 2,400 mg) and opioid use. |

| Key Element | Definition |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Total Open ORF Cases with Concurrent Pregabalin and Opioid Use | Total number of open ORF cases where the beneficiary has at least one day of concurrent pregabalin and opioid use. |
| High Opioid Daily Dose (90 MME) Rate | Total number of opioid utilization days with at least a 90 MME daily dose per 1,000 opioid utilization days for all opioid utilizers. |
| Total Open SRF Cases | Total number of beneficiaries identified as open SRF cases. |

Table 2: Overall Summary Key Elements

| Key Element | Definition |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Open ORF Cases - Response Expected | Total number of beneficiaries identified as a case (PARBs) by meeting the Minimum OMS criteria. This number may include beneficiaries who were identified as a case in a previous OMS report and do not meet the exception criteria. |
| Total ORF Cases Reported Since Mon-YYYY | Total number of beneficiaries ever identified as a case (PARB) according to the Minimum OMS criteria. This number includes all open and closed cases. |
| Total Closed ORF Cases Since Mon-YYYY | Total number of beneficiaries previously identified as a case (PARB) by meeting the Minimum OMS criteria, but currently closed. |
| Total SRF Cases since Mon-YYYY | Total number of beneficiaries ever identified by sponsors via SRF. This number may include closed, as well as open SRF cases. |

3.1.2 Open ORF Cases

Worksheet Description: Presents a list of all currently open ORF cases requiring a response along with opioid utilization information for each case.

Key Elements:

Table 3: Open ORF Cases Key Elements

| Key Element | Definition |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Case Number | The unique identifier assigned to a beneficiary for the given contract. |
| HICN | The beneficiary's Health Insurance Claim Number. No longer reported or collected as of January 2020. |
| MBI | The beneficiary's Medicare Beneficiary Identifier. |
| DOB | The beneficiary's date of birth. |
| PBP ID | The beneficiary's plan benefit package (PBP) ID number. |
| LIS Status | The beneficiary's low-income subsidy (LIS) status. "Y" indicates the beneficiary ever had LIS status and "N" indicates the beneficiary never had LIS status during their Part D enrollment within the measurement period. |
| Date First Reported | Indicates the date that the beneficiary was first reported to the sponsor. |
| Measurement Period | Indicates the period in which the beneficiary was identified as a case (PARB). |
| Prior Contracts Contributing to Utilization | List of beneficiary's prior contracts from PDE data that contributed to the beneficiary's utilization. If this field is empty, all claims contributing to the beneficiary's utilization were filled through the contract on the report. |

| Key Element | Definition |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Duration of Opioid Use | Number of days between first and last opioid use during the measurement period (calculated as days from the first opioid fill date of service to the last day of opioid use during the measurement period) |
| Total MME | Total MME utilized by the beneficiary during the measurement period. |
| Average Daily MME | The average daily MME, calculated as 'Total MME' divided by 'Duration of Opioid Use'. |
| Concurrent Benzodiazepine and Opioid Use | Concurrent usage of a benzodiazepine and an opioid for at least one day. (N = No and Y = Yes) |
| Concurrent High Dose Gabapentin (>2400 mg) and Opioid Use | Concurrent usage of high dose gabapentin (> 2,400 mg) and an opioid for at least one day. (N = No and Y = Yes) |
| Concurrent Pregabalin and Opioid Use | Concurrent usage of pregabalin and an opioid for at least one day. (N = No and Y = Yes) |
| Number of Pharmacies Contributing to Opioid Claims | Total number of distinct pharmacies that filled opioid claims. |
| Number of Prescribers Contributing to Opioid Claims | Total number of distinct prescribers with different Tax IDs that were attributed to opioid prescriptions. |
| Prior Submitted Review Status | The last review status reported by the contract for a case (PARB) reported to the contract through OMS. See Table 8. Element E. Review Status Codes (R1-R2). New cases have a review status "NA". |

3.1.3 Closed ORF Cases

Worksheet Description: Presents a list of all previously identified but currently closed cases along with the reason for the closed status.

Key Elements:

Table 4: Closed Cases Key Elements

| Key Element | Definition |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Case Number | The unique identifier assigned to a beneficiary for the given contract. |
| HICN | The beneficiary's Health Insurance Claim Number. No longer reported or collected as of January 2020. |
| MBI | The beneficiary's Medicare Beneficiary Identifier. |
| DOB | The beneficiary's date of birth. |
| PBP ID | The beneficiary's plan benefit package (PBP) ID number. |
| LIS Status | The beneficiary's low-income subsidy (LIS) status. "Y" indicates the beneficiary ever had LIS status and "N" indicates the beneficiary never had LIS status during their Part D enrollment within the measurement period. |
| Date Closed | Indicates the report date that the case was closed. |
| Current Exclusion: Death or Lacks Part D Eligibility | Case closed due to death, Part D disenrollment, or disenrollment from contract associated with case number. "Y" indicates the case was closed for this reason and "N" indicates that it was not applicable. |

| Key Element | Definition |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Current Exemption: Cancer, Hospice, Palliative Care, or Facility | Case closed due to cancer diagnosis, hospice enrollment, palliative care diagnosis, or residence in an exempt facility. “Y” indicates the case was closed for this reason and “N” indicates not applicable. |
| Does Not Meet Minimum OMS Criteria | Case closed as beneficiary does not meet Minimum OMS criteria at the time of the report. “Y” indicates the case was closed for this reason and “N” indicates not applicable. |
| Suppressed from OMS due to Sponsor Prior Response | Case closed due to sponsor provided response in the ORF. “Y” indicates the case was closed for this reason and “N” indicates not applicable. |
| Active CARA Status in MARx | Case closed due to active CARA Status in MARx (i.e., FAD notification or implementation of a coverage limitation). “Y” indicates the case was closed for this reason and “N” indicates that it was not applicable. |
| Prior Submitted Review Status | The last review status reported by the contract for a case previously reported to the contract through OMS. See Table 8. Element E. Review Status Codes (R1-R2). |

Note: Cases with a ‘Review Complete’ status are closed when the beneficiary’s drug utilization no longer meets the Minimum OMS criteria, regardless if the Part D contract previously reported that the beneficiary had an OMS exception (Table 10). Similarly, cases with a ‘Review in Progress’ status who do not meet the Minimum OMS criteria during the current measurement period are closed and not re-reported to the sponsor. If the case is not re-reported through the ORF and the sponsor would like to provide additional information on the case, the case can be submitted through the SRF.

3.1.4 SRF Cases

Worksheet Description: Presents a list of all submitted SRF cases.

Key Elements:

Table 5: SRF Cases Key Elements

| Key Element | Definition |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HICN | The beneficiary’s Health Insurance Claim Number. No longer reported or collected as of January 2020. |
| MBI | The beneficiary’s Medicare Beneficiary Identifier. |
| DOB | The beneficiary’s date of birth. |
| PBP ID | The beneficiary’s plan benefit package (PBP) ID number. |
| LIS Status | The beneficiary’s low-income subsidy (LIS) status. “Y” indicates the beneficiary ever had LIS status and “N” indicates the beneficiary never had LIS status during their Part D enrollment within the measurement period. |
| Submission Date | The date of the submission period deadline when the case was submitted. |
| Validation Status | The case’s validation status. “Y” indicates that the MBI is valid and “N” indicates the MBI is invalid. Invalid cases are not used. |

4 Contract Responses

Sponsors must respond to each case identified by OMS using the OMS Response Form (ORF) included in the downloadable Detail Overutilization Monitoring Report Package. Additionally, sponsors must report internally identified cases using the Sponsor Report Form (SRF). This section describes the process and instructions for completing and submitting both the ORF and the SRF. Table 6 provides an overview of the key status definitions within the ORF and SRF.

Table 6: ORF and SRF Status Definitions

| Key Element | Definition |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Overall Form Status | Incomplete = One or more cases have a missing response code, one or more cases have invalid response combinations, or one or more of the Responder Identification fields are blank. Note: All acceptable response codes are provided in the drop-down menus within the response forms. Incomplete forms will not be accepted by the Web Portal. Complete = All cases have a 'Complete' Review Status and 'Valid' Validation (for ORFs) or Preliminary Validation (for SRFs) Status. |
| # of Cases | Number of cases requiring a response in the given form. |
| # of Valid Cases | Number of cases with a 'Complete' Review Status and a 'Valid' Validation (for ORFs) or Preliminary Validation (for SRFs) Status in the given form. Note: For the SRF, submission of invalid MBIs lead to individual cases being deemed 'Invalid'. |

Additional information, including flowcharts that provide a visual illustration for completing the response form(s), response form layouts with descriptions and formats for each data element, and full descriptions of the response codes, can be found in the ORF and SRF Information workbook included in the report packages, and on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Web Portal, and on CMS.gov. The following link will take you to the [CMS Part D Overutilization website](#) that contains this workbook.

4.1 ORF and SRF Information

Before responding to each case identified by OMS in the ORF or internally identified cases in the SRF, it is recommended that sponsors review the 'ORF and SRF Information Workbook'. This workbook helps sponsors ensure that the ORF and SRF forms are populated completely with valid response combinations for each case. This workbook contains the following information:

Table 7. ORF and SRF Information Workbook Layout

| Workbook Tab | Description |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ORF Flowchart | This tab depicts the logic tree for the ORF reporting process and all response codes. |
| SRF Flowchart | This tab depicts the logic tree for the SRF reporting process and all response codes. |
| Response File Layouts | This tab lists the detailed descriptions of each data element, as well as each data element's format and possible values. |
| Response Codes | This tab lists detailed descriptions of all ORF and SRF response codes. |

| Workbook Tab | Description |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ORF Valid Cases | This tab lists all expected valid response code combinations for ORF cases. |
| SRF Valid Cases | This tab lists all expected valid response code combinations for a SRF cases. |

Following the flowcharts, response file layouts, response codes descriptions, and the list of case valid response code combinations as described in the ORF and SRF Information workbook ensure that your submitted responses are processed and receive a Validation (for ORFs) or Preliminary Validation (for SRFs) Status of 'Valid'.

4.2 OMS Response Form (ORF)

Sponsors with a DMP and open ORF cases receive an ORF within the Detail Overutilization Monitoring Package that is prepopulated with the case number, MBI, and DOB for each case. If there are no open cases, an ORF is not provided.

Sponsors must use the current ORF to respond to all open cases. That is, respond to new cases or update pending cases (i.e., where previous response was 'Review in Progress'). **Note:** If the ORF is submitted multiple times during the 30 day submission period, only the responses in the most recent ORF are used.

4.2.1 Completing the ORF

Table 8 and the accompanying notes provide an overview of the response codes that must be selected in the ORF for a given case for elements E through K. **If a response code is not applicable to a particular aspect of a given case, 'NA' must be selected in the field to have a valid response. Only one 'Final Response' code, as indicated in the Response Description column below, can be selected for each case number, except for element K. Multiple 'Y' or 'N' responses are acceptable for 'K.1-9 Exceptions' (see Table 10). Use the 'Response Status' field to check the completeness of a case's responses and the 'Validation Status' field to check the validity of a case's response combination.**

Table 8: ORF Response Codes

| Table Element. Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Case Number | – | – | CMS-assigned case number at the beneficiary-contract level. |
| B. HICN | – | – | Health Insurance Claim Number. No longer reported or collected as of January 2020. |
| C. MBI | – | – | Medicare Beneficiary Identifier |
| D. DOB | – | – | Date of Birth |

| Table Element. Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| E. Review Status | R1 | Review in Progress | Sponsor's review is pending and no clinical contact (either written report or further attempted contact) was made with prescribers. For example, the sponsor's review of the case has not started, or the sponsor is still reviewing internal data to determine if the beneficiary has a DMP exemption, does not meet the Minimum OMS criteria in a 6 month measurement period, or has another exception. All subsequent element responses should be NA. Final Response* |
| | R2 | Review Complete | Sponsor's review of a newly identified or an in-progress case from a prior report is complete. Proceed to 'F. Clinical Contact Status' |
| F. Clinical Contact Status | C1 | Clinical Contact - Only Written Report Sent to Prescriber(s) | Only written information and inquiry letter sent to prescriber(s). Proceed to 'G. Prescriber Verification' |
| | C2 | Further Clinical Contact Attempted | Further clinical contact attempted with prescribers (in addition to required written information), such as a phone call. Proceed to 'G. Prescriber Verification' |
| | C3 | Other - No Clinical Contact Due to Exception(s) | No clinical contact is made with prescribers because the sponsor identified from internal data that the beneficiary has an exception(s). Proceed to 'K. Exceptions' |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'E. Review Status' = 'R1' |
| G. Prescriber Verification | Y | Yes | Prescriber(s) verified that the beneficiary is at-risk. Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' |
| | N | No | Prescriber(s) verified that the beneficiary is NOT at-risk. Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' |
| | NR | No Response | No response from prescriber(s). Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C3' or 'NA' |
| H. Coverage Limitation Necessary | Y | Yes | Sponsor decided that a coverage limitation(s) is necessary. Proceed to 'I. Prescriber Agreed to Coverage Limitation' |
| | N | No | Sponsor does not intend to implement a coverage limitation(s). Proceed to 'J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary' |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If G. Prescriber Verification = 'NA' |
| I. Prescriber Agreed to Coverage Limitation | Y | Yes | Prescriber agreed that a coverage limitation(s) was necessary. Final Response* |
| | N | No | Prescriber did not agree that a coverage limitation was necessary. Final Response* |
| | NR | No Response | No response from prescriber(s). Final Response* |
| | NA | Not Applicable | 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' = 'N' or 'NA' |

| Table Element. Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary | O1 | Wait and See | After written information is sent to the prescriber, sponsor is taking a “wait and see” approach to monitor the beneficiary’s FAD use to see if the prescribers adjust their care of their patient or respond to the sent information, such that the beneficiary no longer meets the OMS criteria during a subsequent 6 month period. Final Response* |
| | O2 | Prescriber(s) Agreed During Clinical Contact to Manage/Coordinate Care | Coverage limitation is not necessary; the prescriber will manage/coordinate the beneficiary’s FAD use. Final Response* |
| | O3 | Prescriber(s) Attested During Clinical Contact that the Medication Regimen is Appropriate | Coverage limitation is not necessary, prescriber verified that the total FAD regimen is medically necessary. Final Response* |
| | O4 | Clinical Contact Determined has a Beneficiary Exception(s) | During case management it was determined the beneficiary has an exception. Proceed to K. ‘Exceptions’ |
| | NA | Not applicable | If ‘H. Coverage Limitation Necessary’ = ‘Y’ or ‘NA’ |
| K. 1-9 Exceptions (see Table 10) | Y | Yes | The beneficiary has a DMP exemption, does not meet the OMS criteria in a 6 month measurement period, or has another exception. Final Response(s)** |
| | N | No | The beneficiary does not have the exception. Final Response(s)** |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If ‘J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary’ is NOT ‘O4’ AND ‘F. Clinical Contact Status’ is NOT ‘C3’ |
| Response Status | Complete | Checks that acceptable response codes are populated for each element. Only the responses in the drop-down box are accepted for each element. A correctly populated row has a ‘Complete’ status while a row with any missing or unacceptable responses has an ‘Incomplete Response’ status. | |
| Validation Status | Valid | If the ‘Response Status’ is complete, a Validation Status of ‘Valid’ confirms that that the response combination in the row meets the current validation logic. | |

*Only one ‘Final Response’ code, as indicated in the Response Description column, can be selected for each case number except for element K.

**Multiple ‘Y’ or ‘N’ responses are acceptable for ‘K. 1-9 Exceptions’ (see Table 10).

Notes:

- If the Overall Form Status is “Incomplete” the form is not processed or recorded.

- If multiple ORFs are received for a given case number, the most recent complete response received by the close of the submission period is used. An incomplete response uploaded after a complete response will not replace the latest complete response for that case.
- If an ORF from a previous reporting cycle is submitted during a current cycle, responses for the cases are not processed.

4.3 Sponsor Report Form (SRF)

Sponsors must also report to CMS beneficiaries identified by the sponsor who meet either the Minimum OMS criteria or the Supplemental OMS criteria. These cases should be reported only after case management and the reported review status is complete. Sponsors must also report newly enrolled beneficiaries for which a sponsor received a TRC of '376' (New Enrollee CARA Status Notification) from the daily transaction reply report (DTRR). Sponsors may report these cases as in progress or complete depending on when they received the enrollment request and when the OMS report is due. In addition, if the sponsor determines that a currently closed ORF case's status necessitates updating in OMS (e.g., a coverage limitation is deemed necessary), the sponsor should report the beneficiary and responses in the SRF using the MBI.

Note: the SRF is independent of the ORF, and the two forms cannot be used interchangeably. The SRF that is provided in a given quarter must be used in that quarter (i.e., previous versions of the SRF from different quarters are not processed by the Web Portal). If the SRF is submitted multiple times during a given quarter, only the most recent responses are used.

4.3.1 Completing the SRF

This section details the data elements and response codes that are specific to the SRF. All other data elements and response codes from the ORF section apply to SRF in the same manner.

First, after completing the responder information portion of the form, answer the question in Cell B13: 'Has the sponsor internally identified any cases?'

- **If 'N' (No)**, then leave the remainder of the SRF blank, save the form to your desktop, and upload the form to the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal using the Upload Files page
- **If 'Y' (Yes)**, then populate the form with the sponsor identified cases using the remainder of this section as a guide

For each SRF case, the MBI and the DOB fields must be populated by the sponsor. If the DOB is not available to the sponsor, please populate the element with "NA".

The SRF includes all the elements in the ORF (see Table 8) plus Elements **S. Method of Identification** and **T. Prior Sponsor Beneficiary CARA Status**. Some responses in the SRF are not valid in the ORF.

Cases with a Method of Identification response code of 'DEL' that do not match a previously submitted case are considered invalid and are excluded from OMS reports.

Key differences in elements are noted below:

Table 9: SRF Response Codes

| Table Element / Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S. Method of Identification | M1 | Met Minimum OMS Criteria | The beneficiary met the Minimum OMS criteria. Proceed to 'E. Review Status'. |
| | M2 | Met Supplemental OMS Criteria | The beneficiary met the Supplemental OMS criteria. Proceed to 'E. Review Status'. |
| | M3 | Notice Upon Enrollment – Active CARA Status | The sponsor received an active CARA Status notification for the beneficiary. Proceed to 'T. Prior Sponsor Beneficiary CARA Status'. |
| | DEL | Delete SRF Case | The beneficiary should no longer be identified as an SRF case and should be deleted. Final Response* |
| T. Prior Sponsor Beneficiary CARA Status <i>Only applies if the response to S. = M3</i> | P1 | At-Risk Beneficiary with a Coverage Limitation Implemented | Indicates that successful communication was established with the prior Part D sponsor and the beneficiary had an implemented coverage limitation(s) under the prior contract. Proceed to 'E. Review Status'. |
| | P2 | No Response from Prior Plan | Indicates that attempted contact with the prior Part D sponsor was unsuccessful. Proceed to 'E. Review Status'. |
| | P3 | Potential At-Risk Beneficiary with No Coverage Limitation Implemented | Indicates successful communication was established with the prior Part D sponsor and the beneficiary coverage limitation(s) were pending. Proceed to 'E. Review Status'. |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'S. Method of Identification' = 'M1' or 'M2'. |

| Table Element / Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| E. Review Status | R1 | Review in Progress | Only applicable to M3 Notice Upon Enrollment – Active CARA Status. Sponsor's review is pending and no clinical contact (either written report or further attempted contact) was made with prescribers. For example, the current contract is in the process of contacting the prior contract, or gathering or reviewing the information from the prior contract. Final Response* |
| | R2 | Review Complete | Sponsor's review of a case is complete. Proceed to 'F. Clinical Contact Status' |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'S. Method of Identification' = 'DEL' |
| F. Clinical Contact Status | C1 | Clinical Contact – Only Written Report Sent to Prescriber(s) | Only written information and an inquiry letter sent to the prescriber(s). Proceed to 'G. Prescriber Verification'. |
| | C2 | Further Clinical Contact Attempted | Further clinical contact attempted with prescribers (in addition to required written information), such as phone call. Proceed to 'G. Prescriber Verification'. |
| | C3 | Other – No Clinical Contact due to Exception(s) | No clinical contact is made with prescribers because the sponsor identified from internal data that the beneficiary has an exception(s). Proceed to 'K. Exceptions'. |
| | C4⁵ | Exempt from Case Management | Sponsor obtained case management information from the previous sponsor and such information is clinically adequate and up to date. Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary'. |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'E. Review Status' = 'R1' |
| G. Prescriber Verification | Y | Yes | If 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C1' or 'C2' AND Prescriber(s) verified that the beneficiary is at-risk. Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary'. |

⁵ Note: A response of 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C4' (Exempt from Case Management) can only be selected if 'S. Method of Identification' = 'M3' (Notice Upon Enrollment - Active CARA Status).

| Table Element / Response Category | Response Code | Response Name | Response Description |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| G. Prescriber Verification (continued) | N | No | If 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C1' or 'C2' AND Prescriber(s) verified that the beneficiary is NOT at-risk. Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' |
| | NR | No Response | If 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C1' or 'C2' AND No response from prescriber(s). Proceed to 'H. Coverage Limitation Necessary' . |
| | NA | Not Applicable | If 'F. Clinical Contact Status' = 'C3', 'C4', or 'NA' |
| Complete remaining elements in Table 8 and Table 10. | | | |
| Response Status | Complete | Checks that acceptable response codes are populated for each element. Only the responses in the drop-down box are accepted for each element. A correctly populated row has a 'Complete' status while a row with any missing or unacceptable responses has an 'Incomplete Response' status. | |
| Preliminary Validation Status | Valid | If the 'Response Status' is complete, a Validation Status of 'Valid' confirms that the response combination in the row meets the current validation logic. Note if the MBI element is populated incorrectly, the case is deemed invalid. | |

Once the form is complete, save the form to your desktop, and upload the file to the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal using the Upload Files page. For detailed information about the using the Upload Files and Upload File History pages, see the Patient Safety Web Portal User Guide on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

4.4 Suppression Rules

The following is the list of ORF and SRF exceptions that a sponsor may identify for a particular case based on internal data or through case management. The exceptions generally include three types: DMP required exemptions, administrative exclusions, and other exceptions because the beneficiary's opioid use does not meet the Minimum OMS criteria in a 6 month measurement period. Select "Y" for all the exceptions that apply to the case. The list also includes the maximum time that a case is suppressed from OMS reporting while the beneficiary is enrolled in the same contract.

If the sponsor's response to '**F. Clinical Contact Status**' = '**C3**' or '**J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary**' = '**O4**', at least one '**K. Exception**' elements 1-9 should be populated with 'Y'. Otherwise, sponsors should populate the '**K. Exceptions**' elements with 'NA'. In addition, if the Supplemental OMS criteria was used by the sponsor to identify a case, a response of 'NA' would be appropriate for K8 and K9 since MME is not applicable.

Table 10. List of OMS Report Exceptions and Suppression Rules

| Element | Exception | Description | Suppression Rule |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| K1. | Exemption: Resident of an Exempt Facility | Beneficiary is a resident of a long-term care facility, of a facility described in section 1905(d) of the Act, or of another facility for which frequently abused drugs are dispensed for residents through a contract with a single pharmacy. | Exclude from OMS reporting if last PDE Patient Resident Code is 3 or 9. |
| K2. | Exemption: Active Cancer-Related Pain | Beneficiary is being treated for active cancer-related pain. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, date of death (DOD) or disenrollment. |
| K3. | Exemption: Hospice, Palliative or End-of-Life Care | Beneficiary has elected to receive hospice care or is receiving palliative or end-of-life care. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| K4. | Administrative Exclusion: Deceased | Beneficiary is deceased. | Exclude from OMS reporting based on CME. |
| K5. | Administrative Exclusion: Disenrolled or Lacks Part D Eligibility | Beneficiary disenrolled or lacks Part D enrollment. | Exclude from OMS reporting based on CME. |
| K6. | OMS Criteria Not Met: Prescriber Count | OMS criteria not met because the number of prescribers is below the prescriber count. For example, sponsor identified that prescribers within the same group practice are treated as one prescriber or in a recent 6 month measurement period the number of prescribers is below the count. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| K7. | OMS Criteria Not Met: Pharmacy Count | OMS criteria not met because the number of pharmacies is below the pharmacy count. For example, sponsor identified that pharmacies with multiple locations that share real-time electronic data are treated as one pharmacy or in a recent 6 month measurement period the number of dispensing pharmacies is below the count. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| K8. | OMS Criteria Not Met: MME Approved Due to Favorable Coverage Determination or Appeal | OMS criteria not met because of a favorable coverage determination or appeal. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| K9. | OMS Criteria Not Met: MME for Other Reasons | OMS criteria not met because the MME is below the threshold. For example, sponsor identified that the MME threshold is not met due to appropriate prescription fill overlap, data entry error, or an acute/temporary short-term high use, or based on changes in utilization in a recent 6 month measurement period. | None |

4.4.1 Additional Sponsor Responses and Suppression Rules

Other sponsor responses that result in the case being suppressed from OMS reporting include the following:

Table 11. Additional Sponsor Responses and Suppression Rules

| Element | Final Response | Description | Suppression Rule |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| H. Coverage Limitation Necessary | Yes | Sponsor intends to implement a coverage limitation(s). | The beneficiary has an active CARA Status (i.e., coverage limitation notification or implementation period for a FAD) in MARx as of the last day in the measurement period. |
| J. Reason Coverage Limitation Unnecessary | O2 | Prescriber(s) agreed during clinical contact to manage/coordinate care. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| | O3 | Prescriber(s) attested during clinical contact that the medication regimen is appropriate. | Y=Suppressed up to 1 year, DOD or disenrollment. |
| | O4 and at least one K.1-9 response is Yes | Clinical contact determined beneficiary exception: exemption, OMS criteria not met, or administrative exclusion identified. | Y=Suppression rules apply as described in Table 10. |

5 Summary and Case Tracking

In addition to downloading reports and uploading forms, sponsors can use the OMS to track ORF cases over time. The following sections provide an overview of the Summary Tracking and Case Tracking pages, and describe how to use these pages to monitor the contract's progress in responding to OMS.

For more information about the using the Summary Tracking and Case Tracking pages, see the Patient Safety Web Portal User Guide on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

5.1 Summary Tracking Page

The Summary Tracking page provides sponsors with an overview of the number of unique ORF cases requiring a response for a given report date, by contract. If a contract did not have any ORF cases requiring a response in the given reporting period, all fields are populated with zero.

5.2 Case Tracking Page

The Case Tracking page allows sponsors to view status information for ORF cases and the submitted responses. The Case Tracking Page includes three status fields that are described below:

- **Submission Status** – This status indicates whether a response was successfully 'Submitted' or 'Not Submitted' for the given case.
- **Review Status** – If the 'Submission Status' is 'Submitted', then the 'Review Status' is populated with the Review Status value from the submitted ORF. This value can be 'R1' or 'R2'. See Section 4.2 for more information regarding these response codes.
- **Validation Status** – This status indicates whether the response combination is deemed 'Valid' or 'Invalid'.

Note: Before the ORF is submitted, the three statuses fields default to "Not Submitted". Table 12 provides more information about the information displayed on the Case Tracking page.

Table 12. Case Tracking

| Data Element | Element Description |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Contract | CNNNN |
| Case Number | CNNNN NNNNNNN |
| Submission Status | Not Submitted / Submitted |
| Review Status | Not Submitted / R1 / R2 |
| Validation Status | Not Submitted / Pending / Valid / Invalid |
| Date Reported | mm/dd/yyyy |
| Deadline | mm/dd/yyyy |
| Last Update | mm/dd/yyyy |

Appendix A: Average MME Calculation:

This appendix outlines the steps that are used to calculate the average MME for one beneficiary example. For the purposes of this appendix, the beneficiary example that is referenced throughout the remaining sections is assumed to have received three methadone claims and four non-methadone claims.

A.1 Step 1: Calculate Dosage Units per Day and Daily Dose per Claim

First, the dosage units per day are calculated for both non-methadone and methadone claims. Dosage units per day is calculated by dividing quantity supplied by days supply. Second, the MME or daily dose per claim is calculated as the dosage units per day multiplied by the strength and MME CF, if applicable. For non-Methadone claims, the MME CF is used in the daily dose per claim calculation. Methadone claims use a graduated MME CF that is implemented in Step 2, thus the methadone MME CF is left out of the daily dose per claim calculation.

A.1.1 Non-Methadone Claims:

In the first row of Table 13, the quantity supplied is 10, the days supply is 2, the strength is 30, and the MME CF is 1. The dosage units per day and MME daily dose per claim for this row is calculated as follows:

Dosage units per day: $(10/2) = 5$

MME daily dose per claim: $(5 \times 30 \times 1) = 150$

Table 13: Non-Methadone Dosage Units per Day and Daily Dose per Claim Examples

| Claim | Fill Date | Days Supply | Quantity Supplied | Strength | MME CF | Dosage Units per Day | MME Daily Dose (mg) per Claim |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|----------|--------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Morphine #1 | 01/01/2019 | 2 | 10 | 30 | 1 | 5 | 150 |
| Morphine #2 | 01/03/2019 | 2 | 20 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 100 |
| Morphine #3 | 01/03/2019 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 40 |
| Morphine #4 | 01/06/2019 | 1 | 16 | 10 | 1 | 16 | 160 |

A.1.2 Methadone Claims:

In the first row of Table 14, the quantity supplied is 8, the days supply is 4, and the strength is 10. The dosage units per day and daily dose per claim for this row is calculated as follows:

Dosage units per day: $(8/4) = 2$

Daily dose per claim: $(2 \times 10) = 20$

Table 14: Methadone Dosage Units per Day and Daily Dose per Claim Examples

| Claim | Fill Date | Days Supply | Quantity Supplied | Strength | Dosage Units per Day | Daily Dose (mg) per Claim |
|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Methadone #1 | 01/01/2019 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| Methadone #2 | 01/04/2019 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| Methadone #3 | 01/06/2019 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 2 | 20 |

A.2 Step 2: Calculate Daily MME

Next, the daily dose for both the methadone and non-methadone claims are assigned across each calendar day with utilization as described below:

- Start Day = Fill Date
- End Day = Fill Date + Days Supply - 1
- Utilization Days = Start Day to End Day

A total daily MME is then calculated by summing up the daily dose for all claims for each day in the measurement period. A graduated MME conversions factor is applied to calculate the total daily MME for methadone claims in this step.

A.2.1 Daily Non-Methadone MME Calculation:

The Morphine #2 and Morphine #3 claims have one day of overlap. This means that the beneficiary filled their third Morphine prescription before their second Morphine claim's day supply ended. The Morphine #1 and Morphine #4 claims do not overlap with any other non-methadone prescriptions.

Table 15 assigns MME daily dose per claim (mg) across the usage days. The total daily MME is calculated by summing up the MME daily dose for all claims for each day in the measurement period.

Table 15: Daily MME for Non-Methadone Claims Examples

| Claim | Metric | 1/1/2019 | 1/2/2019 | 1/3/2019 | 1/4/2019 | 1/5/2019 | 1/6/2019 | 1/7/2019 |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|
| Morphine #1 | MME daily dose | 150 | 150 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Morphine #2 | MME daily dose | - | - | 100 | 100 | - | - | - |
| Morphine #3 | MME daily dose | - | - | 40 | - | - | - | - |
| Morphine #4 | MME daily dose | - | - | - | - | - | 160 | - |
| Non-Methadone | Total Daily MME | 150 | 150 | 140 | 100 | - | 160 | - |

In Table 15, rows 2 and 3 contain Morphine #2 and Morphine #3 prescriptions that have a 1 day overlap on 1/3/2019. The total Daily MME for 1/3/2019 is calculated by summing the MME daily dose for each claim (100+40=140).

A.2.2 Daily Methadone MME Calculation:

The beneficiary also has two methadone claims that have 1 day of overlap. This means that the beneficiary filled the second methadone claim before the first methadone supply expired. The third claim does not overlap with the first two claims.

Table 15 assigns the daily dose per claim (mg) across the usage days. Rows 1 and 2 contain Methadone #1 and Methadone #2 claims that have a day of overlap on 1/4/2019. Similar to what is done for non-methadone claims in Table 14, the total daily dose is calculated by summing up the daily dose per claim (mg) for each day within the measurement period.

An additional step is used for methadone claims, in which the total daily MME is calculated by multiplying the total daily dose with the appropriate graduated methadone CF. The graduated methadone CF that is used is determined by the total daily dose. The graduated methadone CFs can be found in the OMS Medication List that is made available on the Help Documents page of the Patient Safety Analysis Web Portal.

For example, on 1/1/2019 in Table 16, a daily dose of 20 is associated with a graduated methadone CF of 4. As a result, the total daily MME for 1/1/2019 is: $20 \times 4 = 80$. On 1/4/2019, the methadone daily dose falls in the range that is associated with a CF of 8.

Table 16: Daily MME for Methadone Claims Examples

| Claim | Metric | 1/1/2019 | 1/2/2019 | 1/3/2019 | 1/4/2019 | 1/5/2019 | 1/6/2019 | 1/7/2019 |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Methadone #1 | Daily Dose | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | - | - | - |
| Methadone #2 | Daily Dose | - | - | - | 15 | | | - |
| Methadone #3 | Daily Dose | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | 20 |
| Methadone | Total Daily Dose | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | - | 20 | 20 |
| Methadone | Total Daily MME | $20 \times 4 = 80$ | $20 \times 4 = 80$ | $20 \times 4 = 80$ | $35 \times 8 = 280$ | - | $20 \times 4 = 80$ | $20 \times 4 = 80$ |

A.2.3 Daily MME Calculation:

Finally, the daily MME for both methadone and non-methadone claims for each day in the measurement period is summed to calculate the total daily MME. Table 17 calculates the total daily MME for each day by summing up the methadone and non-methadone rows.

Table 17: Total Daily MME Examples

| Claim | Metric | 1/1/2019 | 1/2/2019 | 1/3/2019 | 1/4/2019 | 1/5/2019 | 1/6/2019 | 1/7/2019 |
|---------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| Methadone | Total Daily MME | 80 | 80 | 80 | 280 | - | 80 | 80 |
| Non-Methadone | Total Daily MME | 150 | 150 | 140 | 100 | - | 160 | - |
| All | Total Daily MME | 230 | 230 | 220 | 380 | 0 | 240 | 80 |

A.3 Step 3: Calculate Average MME

After calculating the total daily MME for the beneficiary on each day of the measurement period, the average MME is calculated by totaling the MME dispensed within the measurement period and dividing it by the duration of opioid usage. The duration of opioid usage is calculated by counting the number of days from the first and last day of opioid usage, including the first and last days. Despite not having any opioid utilization on 1/5/2019, this day is still included in duration of opioid usage.

The average MME calculation for the example beneficiary is as follows:

Total MME: $(230 + 230 + 220 + 380 + 0 + 240 + 80) = \mathbf{1,380}$

Duration of Opioid Usage: **7**

Average MME: $(1,380/7) = \mathbf{197.14}$