

Proposed Two-Year Approach for Base Period Data Aggregation

1. Take a combined look at all crosswalk activity over the two-year period from the base period to the contract year (CY).
 - “Stayer” approach
 - If members of a particular bid (Bid X) are crosswalked to another bid (Bid Y), determine if a significant portion of former Bid X members remain in Bid Y for the CY.
 - Take into account the following types of crosswalks and MARx transactions occurring over the course of the two-year period:
 - A plan consolidation for CY-1 or a proposed consolidation for the contract year that moves Bid X members to Bid Y under a formal crosswalk.
 - A service area expansion (SAE) for CY-1 or a proposed SAE for the contract year that moves or crosswalks Bid X members to Bid Y through MARx enrollment transactions.
 - A proposed service area reduction (SAR) for the contract year to the extent prior Bid X members (moved to Bid Y in CY-1) are in the reduced portion of the service area of Bid Y and are disenrolled from Bid Y through MARx transactions. Note that this type of transaction does not involve a crosswalk.
 - Report Bid X base period experience in the CY2016 BPT of Bid Y, only if the percentage of Bid X members remaining Bid Y for CY2016 is greater than or equal to the threshold for “significance” established by the certifying actuary for all bids.
2. “Data Aggregation Crosswalk Examples 11-19-14.docx” handout
 - For illustrative purposes only
 - Provide feedback regarding BPT data aggregation to actuarial-bids@cms.hhs.gov
 - Subject to CMS policy for cross-walks or cross-walk exceptions
 - Provide general cross-walk questions to HPMSCrosswalkexceptions@cms.hhs.gov
3. Supporting documentation
 - Reminder: Include a description of service area changes in the product narrative
 - New requirement for crosswalks
 - Explain the rationale for determining the threshold for a “significant” percentage of members.
 - Show the detailed calculation of the level of significance (for example, numerical components of the numerator and the denominator).
 - List all bids (contract-plan-segment) involved in crosswalks and service area reductions.
 - State the intent to submit a crosswalk exception for CY2016, if applicable.
 - See the “Crosswalk Supporting Doc Example 11-19-14.xlsx” handout