



MEDICARE-MEDICAID COORDINATION OFFICE

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TO: South Carolina Medicare-Medicaid Plans Required to Resubmit their Model of Care for CY 2017

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SUBJECT: South Carolina MMPs: CY 2017 Model of Care Requirements

This memorandum provides South Carolina Medicare-Medicaid Plans (MMPs) required to resubmit their model of care (MOC) following their initial two-year approval by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) and South Carolina with guidance on the substantive requirements of that resubmission. Given that the currently approved MOC expires on December 31, 2016, your organization must submit an updated MOC for CY 2017 and beyond by February 17, 2016. Additional information about the submission process will be provided to all resubmitting Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plans (SNPs) and MMPs later this year, including dates for training calls in early 2016.

CMS has worked with South Carolina to tailor the current CMS MOC elements to reflect requirements and processes for South Carolina MMPs. In addition, as occurred with the initial MOC submissions, South Carolina will review MOCs concurrently with NCQA. In the attached CY 2017 MOC matrix upload document, CMS' MOC requirements are captured in Elements 1 through 4, the specific state targeted population is defined in Element 1, and the state-specific requirements appear in MOC Elements 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 3A, 3C and 4B and Additional State Elements 1 through 3. As with the initial MOCs submitted with your organization's MMP application, NCQA will review the standard CMS required elements, and the state will review the state-specific elements.

In addition, South Carolina MMPs should ensure that their entire MOC submission is aligned with the care model, assessment, and Individualized Care Plan (ICP) provisions in sections 2.5 and 2.6 of the three-way contracts.

South Carolina MMPs receiving this memorandum must submit their MOCs and completed versions of the attached matrix upload documents via HPMS no later than **February 17, 2016**. South Carolina will provide MMPs with the results of its review of state-specific information in the MOC submission concurrent with MMPs' receipt of NCQA's comments and scoring in HPMS in April 2016. MMPs will have an opportunity to make revisions to state-specific

information in the MOCs to address state comments as indicated by the state. Changes to CMS' MOC requirements will be permitted consistent with CMS' policy for SNP MOC resubmissions.

Any questions regarding the contents of this memorandum should be directed to your contract management team or to the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at mmcocapsmodel@cms.hhs.gov