



MEDICARE-MEDICAID COORDINATION OFFICE

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TO: Medicare-Medicaid Plan in Rhode Island

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SUBJECT: Rhode Island Quality Withhold Measure Technical Notes for Demonstration Years 2 through 7

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the release of updated Demonstration Years (DY) 2 through 7 state-specific quality withhold technical notes for the Rhode Island Integrated Care Initiative, a capitated model demonstration under the Medicare-Medicaid Financial Alignment Initiative. The document replaces the previous Rhode Island Quality Withhold Measure Technical Notes released on December 3, 2021. The document provides additional details and benchmarks for the state-specific quality withhold measures that the Rhode Island Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP) is responsible for under the demonstration, as articulated in Section 4.4.7 of the Three-Way Contract. These state-specific measures directly supplement the [Medicare-Medicaid Capitated Financial Alignment Model CMS Core Quality Withhold Technical Notes for DY 2 through 9](#).

CMS and the state revised the Rhode Island Quality Withhold Measure Technical Notes to indicate that the gap closure target methodology will apply as of DY 5 to measure RIW16 – Long-Stay, High-Risk Nursing Facility Residents with Pressure Ulcers. No other changes were made to the quality withhold measures or benchmarks.

Please contact the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at mmcocapsmodel@cms.hhs.gov if you have any questions.