

## HPMS E-Mail

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**Subject:** Trump Administration Issues Call to Action Based on New Data Detailing COVID-19 Impacts on Medicare Beneficiaries

### **Data Underscores Need for Payment Models that Produce Better Health Outcomes**

Today, under the leadership of President Trump, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is calling for a renewed national commitment to value-based care based on Medicare claims data that provides an early snapshot of the impact of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic on the Medicare population. The data released today includes the total number of reported COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations among Medicare beneficiaries between January 1 and May 16, 2020. The snapshot breaks down COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations for Medicare beneficiaries by state, race/ethnicity, age, gender, dual eligibility for Medicare and Medicaid, and urban/rural locations.

For more information on the Medicare COVID-19 data, visit: <https://www.cms.gov/research-statistics-data-systems/preliminary-medicare-covid-19-data-snapshot>

For an FAQ on this data release, visit: <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/medicare-covid-19-data-snapshot-faqs.pdf>

For a blog by CMS Administrator Seema Verma, visit: <https://www.cms.gov/blog/medicare-covid-19-data-release-blog>

For a copy of the press release, visit: <https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/press-releases/trump-administration-issues-call-action-based-new-data-detailing-covid-19-impacts-medicare>

