

GLOBAL SURGERY PROPOSED DATA COLLECTION TOWN HALL

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is holding a town hall meeting on August 25, 2016 to provide stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback on the CMS proposal for collecting data on global services contained in the CY 2017 Physician Fee Schedule Proposed Rule ([CMS-1654-P](#)). Section 523 of the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 ([MACRA](#)) requires CMS to develop and implement a process to gather and analyze the necessary data on pre- and post-operative visits and other services furnished during global surgical periods other than the surgical procedure itself.

This is an opportunity for stakeholders to share their feedback on the CMS proposal. Feedback received at this meeting is not part of our notice and comment rulemaking process. See the [proposed rule](#) for information on how to submit a comment. To be assured consideration, comments on the proposed rule must be received by 5:00 pm on September 6, 2016.

The town hall will be divided into two sessions. From 10:30 – 12:00, those attending in person will have the opportunity to present. From 1:00 – 2:30, virtual participants will be able to present. During registration for both sessions, you should indicate if you wish to speak. Those attending virtually will be able to hear the morning session but will not be able to present until the afternoon.

Target Audience: Practitioners who furnish surgical services to Medicare beneficiaries; state and national associations that represent these practitioners; integrated delivery systems representatives; coding professionals; and practice managers.

Registration Instructions: When you [register](#), please select the relevant ticket types (in-person session, the virtual session, or both). Also, please register for one ticket per individual from your organization who will be in attendance at each of the listening sessions.

In-Person Session

- **Thursday, August 25 from 10:30 am to 12 pm ET**
- Location: CMS Headquarters, 7500 Security Boulevard, Woodlawn, MD 21244

Virtual (Webinar) Session

- **Thursday, August 25 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm ET**