

HPMS E-Mail

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Subject: BPT Add-In File

An updated version of the BPT add-in file has been released to update the CY 2020 bid software. There are only two validation updates being made with this release. The first is to change a critical validation on WS7 cell F15 of the Part D Bid Pricing tool to a red circle validation. This allows plan sponsors to finalize the Part D BPT with a negative value in this cell. The second update is to allow plans to finalize the MA BPT with a negative total non-benefit expense in the base period (MA Worksheet 1 cell K62).

Plan sponsors having issues finalizing BPTs due to these two issues should use the updated version of the BPT add-in file. All other plan sponsors that are submitting a CY 2020 BPT may use the original or updated add-in file. Both files will show as version 1, but the updated add-in file will have the updated validations.

Plan sponsors can download the new add-in file from the following path in HPMS: HPMS Home - Plan Bids - Bid Submission - CY 2020 - Download - Bid Software - BPT Add In & Spreadsheets.

After download, the BPT2020.exe must be run and the resulting BPT2020.xlam file saved in the default C:\BPT\BPT2020\ directory. The new version of the BPT2020.xlam file must overwrite (and replace) the prior version. The Batch Process Tool may be used to update the add-in for multiple BPTs at once. The BPT Technical Instructions contain additional information regarding updating the add-in file.