

2009

Risk Adjustment User Group



March 2009
Meeting Notes

Meeting Date: March 18, 2009

Meeting Time: 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EST

(Participants should reference the PowerPoint slides when reviewing the notes from the User Group Session.)

Topics:

User Group Process

Plans can access the 2008 Q&As and notes on the www.CSSCoperations.com by clicking the “User Group Information” link on the website. CMS will post the January and February 2009 Q&A and notes following a review of the documents.

Payment Process

CMS has transitioned to the new email address, analyst@askriskadjustment.com, for payment related questions from plans. The prior email address, raf_payment_questions@cms.hhs.gov, plans used to submit questions, is no longer available.

Plans should experience improvement with turnaround time. Questions that are cross components related may require a longer response time (e.g., Data Submission or Data Validation questions).

CMS is preparing a FAQ document to be available to all plans that will contain CMS responses from previously submitted questions. CMS is projects the release of this tool in May 2008.

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Default Factor

Plans may experience discrepancies with respect to some full risk enrollees in cases where CMS assigned a default factor. CMS is working to fix the discrepancies and will report the adjustment under reason codes 25 and 37, plans will notice the adjustments in their April payments.

Data Validation

Questions

Plans should submit policy RADV question to Ann Marshall at Ann.Marshall@cms.hhs.gov.

Operations Update

Initial Submission deadline for dates of service 1/1/08 through 12/31/08 was March 6, 2009.

Sweep Date

CMS sweep date occurred on February 13, 2009. CMS included data submitted and accepted with dates of service 01/01/2007 through 12/31/2007 by 5:00pm EST. on the sweep date.

New and existing members of organizations may register for CSSC email notifications and receive information and system updates. Plans may access these updates at the www.csscooperations.com site under the “Register for Email Notification” link.

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Technical Assistance Update

Next User Group meeting scheduled: Wednesday, April 15, 2009, at 1:30p.m. EST.

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