







Maximizing Returns with **HCC Coding**

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What is Risk Adjustment?

- A method used to adjust bidding and payment based on the health status and demographic characteristics of an enrollee
- Pay appropriate and accurate reimbursement for subpopulations with significant cost differences
- Purpose: to groups/pay plans accurately for the risk of the beneficiaries they enroll
- Why: access, quality, protect beneficiaries, reduce adverse selection, etc.







Purpose of Risk Adjustment

Allows health plans to be paid for the actual risk of the beneficiaries they enroll

Accounts for differences in expected costs due to burden of illness (usually chronic conditions)

Adjusts annual contract bidding to CMS and CMS payment based on health status and demographics

Risk scores measure individual beneficiary's relative risk, and risk scores adjust payments for expected expenditures

Allows CMS to use standardized bids as base payments to plans

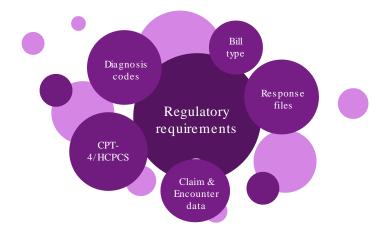




Risk Adjustment Program Update Current Market State



What do ALL Risk clients have in common?







Risk Adjustment Program Update



The CMS Annual New Years Eve "Miracle Cure"





Same Member on January 1st



- 1. CMS requires all HCC diagnoses to submitted each and every year the condition is present.
- 2. It is of critical importance that plans ensure that members with HCC diagnoses be <u>seen</u> by a qualified provider and all current HCC diagnoses be <u>evaluated</u> and <u>reported</u> annually.



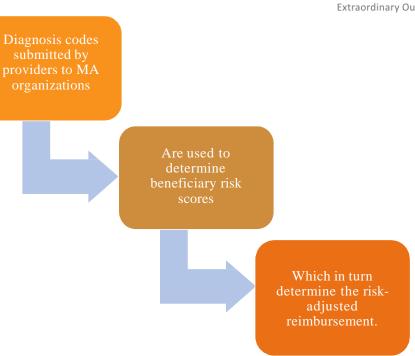


Risk Adjustment Program Update Heavy Financial Impact



General Methodology of Reimbursement

Risk adjustment methodology relies on enrollee diagnoses, as specified by the ICD-10-CM* guidelines to prospectively adjust capitation payments for a given enrollee based on the health status of the enrollee.







Risk Adjustment Program Update Inherency: Perspective vs Reality



Trusting software to code correctly

Expecting non-Risk coders to code for HCC

Delayed/Fragmented CDI program

Underestimating coding guideline importance

Overlooked coding audits

Coding diseases without support

Assuming provider collaboration exists

Believing education is being done effectively



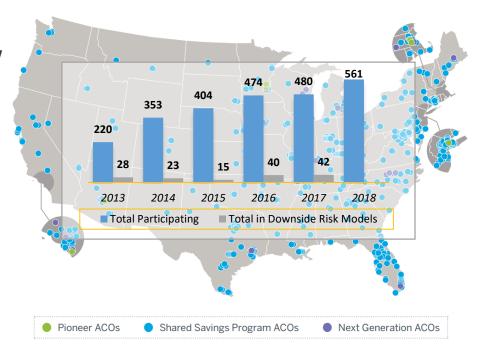


Risk Adjustment Program Update Market Expansion



Overall Participation Continues to Grow

Total ACO Participants at End of Each Performance Year







Risk Adjustment Program Optimization



Fading Out RAPS - CMS Proposed Schedule



Year	RAPS	EDS
2019	75%	25%
2020	50%	50%
2021	25%	75%
2022	0	100%





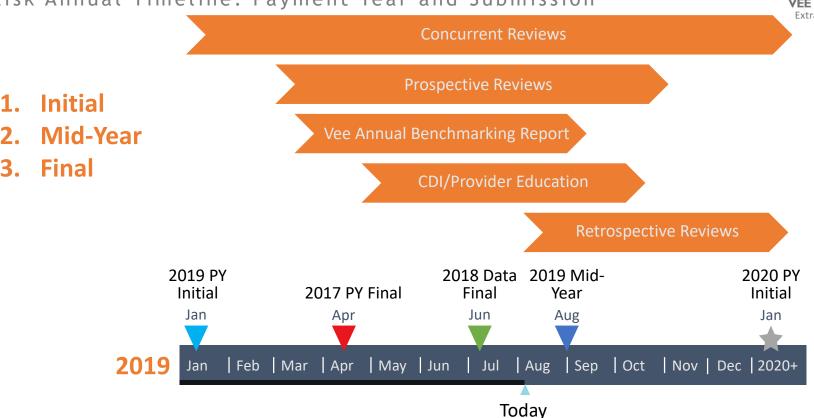




Risk Adjustment Program Optimization

Risk Annual Timeline: Payment Year and Submission









Risk Adjustment Program Optimization



Standard

Price: \$/year

Frequency: Annually Initial Duration: 30 days

Includes:

Provider AuditHCC Gap Analysis

Summary Report

Expanded

Price: \$/year

Frequency: Annually Initial Duration: 45 days

Includes:

Provider Audit

HCC Gap Analysis

Guideline Review

Benchmarking Report

 Onsite Assessment Review

Strategic

Price: \$/year

Frequency: Annually Initial Duration: 60 days

Includes:

Onsite Kick Off

Provider Audit

Clinical Abstraction

Audit

Guideline Review

 Vee Benchmarking Report

CDI Analysis

Provider Risk
 Education Plan

 Onsite Assessment Review

Executive

Price: \$/year

Frequency: Quarterly Initial Duration: 60 days

Includes:

Onsite Kick Off

Provider Audit

Clinical Abstraction Audit

Guideline Review

Vee Benchmarking Report

Quarterly HCC Gap Analysis

 Quarterly Onsite Provider Risk Education

ProFee and ICD Analysis

Prospective Risk Plan

 Quarterly Onsite Assessment Review







Questions

What is top of mind for you? Are you doing 1st and 2nd level reviews? Who's checking ancillary documentation? Do you have a Risk Based CDI Program? Are you identifying your high risk, rising risk and priority beneficiaries/patients?

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