HHCAHPS Coordination Team Quarterly Review

July 2020

Welcome to the July 2020 issue of the Home Health Care CAHPS (HHCAHPS) Coordination Team Quarterly Review! These newsletters are posted on the HHCAHPS website under the General Information tab. Please visit the HHCAHPS website for more information about the items mentioned in this newsletter: https://homehealthcahps.org

COVID-19 Reminder

CMS granted an exception to the Quality Reporting Program (QRP) reporting requirements for all HHAs, Hospices, IRFs, LTCHs and SNFs, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Providers were exempted from the reporting of data on measures, Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) surveys, and standardized patient assessment data required under these programs for calendar years (CYs) 2019 and 2020 for the following quarters:

- HHAs-Home Health QRP
 - o October 1, 2019–December 31, 2019 (Q4 2019)
 - January 1, 2020–March 31, 2020 (Q1 2020)
 - o April 1, 2020–June 30, 2020 (Q2 2020)
- Read the full memo, published by CMS on March 27, 2020.

Additional Resources

- To keep up with the important work the Coronavirus Task Force is doing in response to COVID-19, visit www.coronavirus.gov.
- For a complete list of CMS actions, and other information specific to CMS, please visit the Current Emergencies
 Website .
- Also available on CMS.gov:
 - The Coronavirus Partner <u>Toolkit</u>.
 - <u>Information on blanket waivers</u> for health care providers.

Optional Quarters in the CY21 and CY22 APU Periods

Publicly Reported data will only be displayed if the HHA has CY19, Qtr 2 12 months of data. CY19, Qtr 3 **Optional Quarters:** Sample months: October, November, CY19, Qtr 4 November December October CY19, Qtr 4 December Data Submission Deadline: April 16, 2020 CY20, Qtr 1 **February** March January CY20, Qtr 1 Sample months: January, February, March CY20, Qtr 2 April June Data Submission Deadline: July 16, 2020 CY20,Qtr 3 CY20, Qtr 2 Sample months: April, May, June Data Submission Deadline: October 15, 2020 CY20, Qtr 4

Contact Us

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