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- My comments reflect my opinion and not the opinions of CMMI

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Agenda

- ESCO Overview
- MACRA impact
- Lessons from the field



ESCO Overview

Understanding ESCOs - Comprehensive ESRD Care Model (CEC)→ Improve outcomes and reduce costs for Medicare beneficiaries with ESRD - End Stage Renal Disease Seamless Care Organization or ESCO - Partnerships between nephrologists and dialysis providers - Accountable for all facets of their matched beneficiaries' expenditures decrease and quality is maintained or improved - Share losses if beneficiaries' expenditures increase CMS ESCO Nephrology Practices Others

Patient Eligibility • Enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B • Medicare is primary payer • Not be enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, cost plan, or other non-Medicare Advantage Medicare managed care plan • Not be affiliated with an existing shared savings program • At least 18 years of age & reside in the US • Not received a kidney transplant in the last 12 months • Matching through "first touch" • Receive at least 50% of annual dialysis services in the ESCO's market area

Patient Attribution



Note: A beneficiary will be removed from the ESCO's list of aligned beneficiaries for the entire Performance Year if the patient received more than 50 percent of his or her dialysis services from one or more Dialysis Facilities outside of the Market of the ESCO during the Performance Year.

- Beneficiary matching is based on the dialysis unit
- Initial matching is preliminary
- Final matching for shared savings/loss is retrospective
- Beneficiaries retain all of their freedom of choice
- Medicare continues to pay claims

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Waivers

- Distribution of Shared Savings
- Patient Engagement Incentives
- Information Technology for Participants
- Performance-based Payments to Physicians
- Care Coordination Arrangements
- Remuneration Furnished by the Company
- In general the waivers offer protection from:
 - Physician Self Referral Law
 - Federal Antikickback Statute
 - Civil Monetary Penalty Law Beneficiary Inducements
- ESCO must meet <u>all</u> the conditions set forth in the waivers and by extension the conditions set forth in the Comprehensive ESRD Care (CEC) Initiative.

Comparing LDO and non-LDO ESCOs

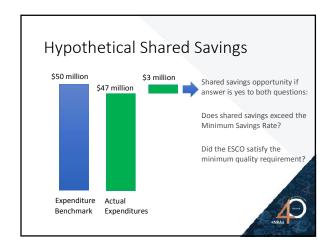
	Definition	Minimum patient number	Minimum savings rate	Сар
LDO	≥ 200 facilities	350	1.0%	10-15%3
Non-LDO	< 200 facilities	350 ¹	2.0-4.75%2	5%

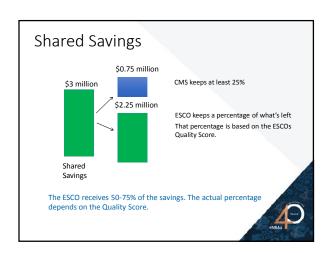
¹ Aggregation option

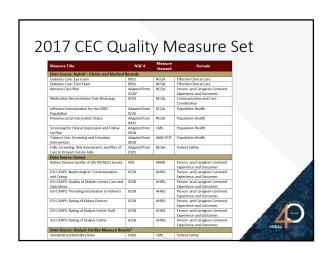
² MSR = 4.75% for 350 patients, 2.0% for >2,000 patients

³ 10% in PY1 & 2, 15% thereafter







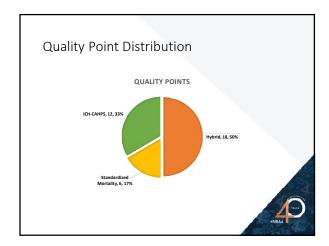


Sliding Scale ESCO Performance or Improvement Points Year 2 and beyond

Performance Scale	Quality Points	Improvement Scale
90+ percentile	2	Not applicable
75+ percentile	1.5	> 10%
50+ percentile	1	> 5-10%
30-49th percentile	0.5	Up to 5%
<30 th percentile	No points	≤ prior year's rate

Each measure's score will be derived by:

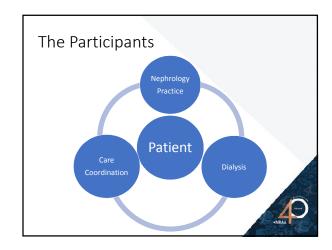
- Determining the performance and improvement points
 Selecting the higher of the two values
 Multiplying the higher value by the measure weight to determine the

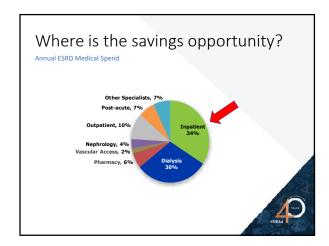


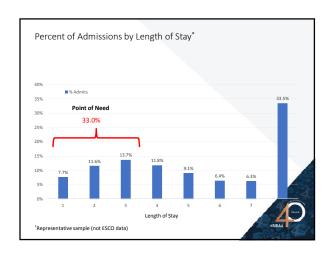
CMMI Operates 37 ESCOs

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- Atlantic Dialysis
- Centers for Dialysis Care
- Northwest Kidney Centers
- DaVita (3)
- Dialysis Clinic Inc (6)
- Fresenius Medical Care (24)







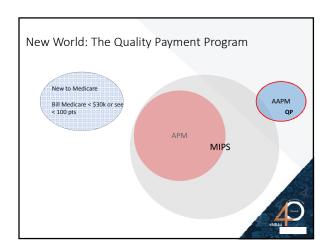


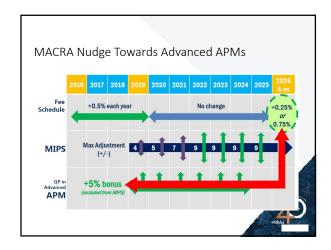
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Why it's Important	
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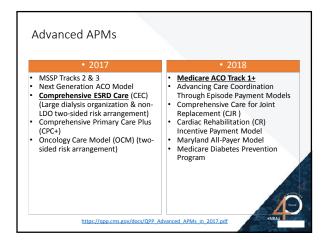
MACRA (2015)

- <u>M</u>edicare <u>A</u>ccess and <u>C</u>HIP <u>R</u>eauthorization <u>A</u>ct of 2015
- Repealed the Sustainable Growth Rate formula
- Sunsets PQRS, MU and the VM at the end of 2018, creating the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS)
- Creates 2 classes of providers
 - Enhanced FFS (MIPS)
 - Advanced Alternative Payment Model (AAPM) participants











Keys to Success

- Care coordination infrastructure
 - Communication
 - Transitions of care
 - Outside the "4 walls"
 - Business as usual
- Actuarial insight & analytics
 - Data→Action→Insight
- Collaborative care team



Opportunities for improvement

- ullet Shared savings ullet Capitated payment
- Quality score challenges
- Late stage CKD and Transplant not addressed



Summary

- The ESCO is a step in the right direction
- Opportunities for improvement exist
- Together with our nephrology partners we are developing the "muscle memory" necessary to succeed in the world of value based health care

