

Anchor Conference Call

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January 12, 2018

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. CST

1. General Anchor Communication

- Thank you for your great work on October DY6 reporting. The January 2018 DSRIP payments will be the largest to date at over \$2.37B.
- The payment summary by project will be sent out with these anchor notes and will be posted on the DSRIP Online Reporting System and the waiver website.

2. DSRIP Implementation

October DY6 Reporting

- Please note that providers will not receive an automated email from the DSRIP Online Reporting System regarding the closing of the regular NMI period on 1/16 because of the extended NMI period for providers impacted by Hurricane Harvey.
- **Review and Payment Timeline**
 - **January 16, 2018, 11:59pm** – Due date for providers to submit responses to HHSC requests for additional information (NMI requests) on October reported Category 1-4 milestone/metric achievement and Semi-Annual Reporting requirements.
 - **January 18, 2018** – October reporting DY6 DSRIP payments processed for transferring hospitals and top 14 IGT Entities:

RHP	Affiliation Number	TPI	IGT Entity/DSRIP Provider
1	100-13-0000-00147	127278302	University of Texas Health Center at Tyler
2	100-13-0000-00038	094092602	University of Texas Medical Branch - Galveston
3	100-13-0000-00134	093774008	City of Houston
3	100-13-0000-00133	111810101	Unv of Tx HSC at Houston-UTHSC Sponsored Projects
3	100-13-0000-00127	113180703	The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD
3	100-13-0000-00131	133355104	Harris County Hospital District
5	100-13-0000-00076	138708601	Tropical Texas Behavioral Health
5	100-15-0008-00001	343698201	University of Tx Rio Grande Valle
6	700-12-0000-00015	136141205	University Health System (Bexar County Hospital D
7	100-13-0000-00084	133542405	Austin Travis County MHMR Center
7	600-12-0000-00167	137265806	Seton Healthcare dba University Medical Center at
9	100-13-0000-00138	126686802	UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
9	100-13-0000-00139	127295703	Dallas County Hospital District dba Parkland Healt
10	100-13-0000-00018	081599501	MHMR of Tarrant County
10	700-12-0000-00007	126675104	Tarrant County Hospital District dba JPS Health Ne
10	100-13-0000-00037	138980111	UNTHSC at Fort Worth
12	700-12-0000-00008	137999206	Lubbock County Hospital District dba University Me
14	700-12-0000-00003	135235306	Ector County Hospital District dba Medical Center
14	700-12-0000-00009	136143806	Midland County Hospital District dba Midland Memor

15	700-12-0000-00004	138951211	El Paso Co Hosp Dist - University Medical Center o
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- **January 31, 2018** – October reporting DY5 DSRIP payments processed for all providers and DY6 DSRIP payments processed for remaining providers that were not paid on January 17, 2018. Note that there are separate transactions for each payment for each DY.
- **February 23, 2018** - HHSC and CMS will approve or deny the additional information submitted in response to HHSC comments on October reported milestone/metric achievement.
- **Additional Deadlines for Providers Impacted by Hurricane Harvey**
 - **January 16, 2018, 11:59pm** – (If Applicable) NMI due date for hurricane-impacted providers with metrics eligible for March 2018 payment.
 - **February 28, 2018, 11:59pm** – (If Applicable) Final deadline for hurricane-impacted providers to submit responses to HHSC requests for additional information (NMI requests) on October reported Category 1-4 milestone/metric achievement and Semi-Annual Reporting requirements for July 2018 payment.
 - **March 7, 2018** - IGT settlement date for March off-cycle reporting DSRIP payments.
 - **March 23, 2018** – (If Applicable) HHSC and CMS will approve or deny the additional information submitted during the extended additional reporting period in response to HHSC comments on October reported milestone/metric achievement for July 2018 payment.
 - **March 30, 2018** - March off-cycle reporting DSRIP payments processed.

QPI

- For QPI NMIs, please utilize the October DY6 QPI Reporting Template to address NMI questions.
- Providers eligible for Hurricane Harvey accommodations who requested and were approved to carryforward DY6 metrics may report early for DY6 carryforward achievement by January 16, 2018. If you can demonstrate achievement of the DY6 carryforward metric by January 16, 2018, you may be eligible for an early payment in March 2018. If applicable, providers must utilize the Hurricane Harvey DY6 CF QPI Template to demonstrate this early achievement. The Hurricane Harvey DY6 CF QPI Template is posted on the Bulletin Board in the DSRIP Online Reporting System under October DY6 Reporting.

Category 3

- Providers must submit the Category 3 NMI Template during the NMI period. They should not submit the primary reporting period template.
- If you didn't receive an NMI, please do not rely on the NMI reporting template to confirm DY6 R2 reporting. HHSC posted an updated Summary Workbook to the online reporting system on January 11. Please rely on this information rather than the template.

Compliance Monitoring

- MSLC is continuing its work with Category 1 and 2 and Category 3 reviews. All anchors should have received anchor summaries in January.
- HHSC continues finalizing results for Category 1 and 2 Round 3, and the process will continue for several weeks, depending on the resolution or need for clarification for some projects.
- MSLC has started documentation requests and reviews for Category 3 Round 3 Performance Reviews. We anticipate that this round of reviews will be completed by May 2018 for most projects.

3. Waiver Renewal

Waiver Negotiations Update

- On December 21, 2017, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approved a five-year extension of the waiver. The extension preserves Uncompensated Care (UC) pool and Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) pool funding at current levels for two years. The UC pool amount for the third and subsequent years will be determined during 2019. DSRIP will be phased out by the fifth year.
- CMS and HHSC are still negotiating the DSRIP protocols (the Program Funding and Mechanics Protocol (PFM), the Measure Bundle Protocol (MBP)). HHSC is working with CMS to address the five requirements related to DSRIP listed in the approval letter:
 1. Strengthen the measurement set - HHSC is working with CMS to refine the hospital and physician practice Measure Bundle menu by adding a few more clinical outcome measures to certain bundles, changing a small number of optional measures to required, and removing some optional measures that do not contribute to a bundle's point value. However, HHSC anticipates the overall proposed Measure Bundle structure will remain intact and manageable for DSRIP providers.
 2. Attribution model - HHSC is reviewing options for broadening the eligible population providers will measure for incentive payments. Attribution does not refer to changing providers' valuations.
 3. Proportional Distribution of Category C funds - HHSC is discussing narrowing the range of minimum and maximum allowed valuation that providers may assign to a Measure Bundle or measure with justification.
 4. Providers with high and/or maximized performance baselines - HHSC is proposing similar goals for DY7-8 as used in DY2-6 and may propose additional changes to be implemented in DY9-10.
 5. Linking Core Activities to selected Measure Bundles and Category C - The RHP Plan Update template will include narrative questions to address this concern.

Category B

- If you have outstanding questions from December related to system definitions or Category B, please feel free to resend these questions to the waiver mailbox.

Category C

- The first round of FAQ on the draft Measure Specifications has been posted on the DSRIP Online Reporting System bulletin board. We are continuing to review questions and feedback on the draft Measure Specifications document and will update the FAQ as time allows.
- HHSC received a number of concerns regarding the administrative complexity of the measure specifications source for measure J1-222 Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock Management Bundle (NQF 0500) and is proposing removing the measure from the J1 bundle menu. HHSC is evaluating alternative clinical measures for sepsis.

Rules

- The DSRIP DY7-8 rules were published as adopted in the November 24, 2017, issue of the *Texas Register* with an effective date of December 1, 2017. HHSC is currently working to amend these rules to reflect the most recent versions of the DSRIP protocols as of December 22, 2017. HHSC anticipates that the amendments will be published as proposed in the January 19, 2018 issue of the *Texas Register*, for an anticipated effective date of April 2018. These rules will need to be further amended once HHSC and CMS have finished negotiating the DSRIP protocols, such as potentially

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narrowing the current range of distributing Category C valuation among Measure Bundles/measures and adjusting rules for P4P measures that are high performing at baseline.

For waiver questions, email waiver staff: TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us.

Include "Anchor (RHP#):" followed by the subject in the subject line of your email so staff can identify your request.