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TO: Medicare-Medicaid Plans in Virginia

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SUBJECT: Updated Virginia-Specific Measure Specifications for CY 2015

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide Virginia Medicare-Medicaid Plans (MMPs) with updated specifications for certain Virginia-specific measures that require submission or resubmission of data for reporting periods that fall within CY 2015. The updated specifications are included with this memorandum, while the reporting details and due dates for these measures are provided below:

- Virginia MMPs are required to resubmit state-specific quality withhold measures retroactive to Q1 2015 using the updated specifications. The five measures that require resubmission are VA1.1, VA1.2, VA2.1, VA2.2, and VA5.3. Virginia MMPs must resubmit Q1, Q2, and Q3 2015 data for these measures on May 2, 2016. The deadline for the Q4 2015 submission for these measures is also extended to May 2, 2016.
- Measures VA2.3 and VA5.1 were revised to reflect updated codes due to the ICD-10 conversion effective October 1, 2015 (note that all codes are now provided separately in the Virginia State-Specific Value Sets Workbook, which is also included with this memorandum). Virginia MMPs must use the revised specifications for the Q4 2015 submission of VA2.3, and the CY 2015 annual submission of VA5.1. Both submissions are due on May 2, 2016.
- Virginia MMPs are also required to use the updated specifications for the CY 2015 annual submission of measures VA2.10 and VA4.1 (both are due on February 29, 2016). These two measures were previously suspended while the specifications were under development. Note that VA2.10 is a quality withhold measure for CY 2015.

Note that only the measures that are listed above require submission or resubmission according to the updated specifications; all other measures for CY 2015 should be reported according to the specifications in the Virginia-Specific Reporting Requirements issued June 25, 2014.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at mmcocapsreporting@cms.hhs.gov.