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**Measure: D04 - Drug Plan Quality Improvement****Title****Description**

Label for Stars: Improvement (if any) in the Drug Plan's Performance

Label for Data: Improvement (If any) in the Drug Plan's Performance

Description: This shows how much the drug plan's performance has improved or declined from one year to the next year.

If a plan receives **1 or 2 stars**, it means, on average, the plan's scores **declined** (got worse).

If a plan receives **3 stars**, it means, on average, the plan's scores **stayed about the same**.

If a plan receives **4 or 5 stars**, it means, on average, the plan's scores **improved**.

Keep in mind that a plan that is already doing well in most areas may not show much improvement. It is also possible that a plan can start with low ratings, show a lot of improvement, and still not be performing very well.

Metric: The numerator is the net improvement, which is a weighted sum of the number of significantly improved measures minus the number of significantly declined measures. The denominator is the sum of the weights associated with the measures eligible for the improvement measure (i.e., the measures that were included in the 2021 and 2022 Star Ratings for this contract and had no specification changes).

Primary Data Source: Star Ratings

Data Source Description: 2021 and 2022 Star Ratings

Data Source Category: Star Ratings

Exclusions: Contracts must have data in at least half of the measures used to calculate improvement to be rated in this measure.

General Notes: [Attachment H](#) contains the formulas used to calculate the improvement measure and lists indicating which measures were used.

Data Time Frame: Not Applicable

General Trend: Higher is better

Statistical Method: Clustering

Improvement Measure: Not Included

CAI Usage: Not Included

Case-Mix Adjusted: No

Weighting Category: Improvement Measure

Weighting Value: 5

Major Disaster: Includes only measures which have data from both years.

Meaningful Measure Area: Patient Focused Episode of Care

NQF #: Not Applicable

Data Display: Not Applicable

Reporting Requirements:	1876 Cost	CCP w/o SNP	CCP with SNP	CCP with Only I-SNP	MSA	PDP	PFFS
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

Cut Points:	Type	1 Star	2 Stars	3 Stars	4 Stars	5 Stars
	MA-PD	< -0.2	>= -0.2 to < 0	>= 0 to < 0.428571	>= 0.428571 to < 0.68421	>= 0.684211
	PDP	NA	NA	>= 0 to < 0.545455	>= 0.545455 to < 0.80952	>= 0.809524