PY 2019 ACO Participant and SNF Affiliate Change Requests Cycle is Now Open!

Currently participating ACOs may now submit additions and deletions to their performance year (PY) 2019 ACO Participant List and/or Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Affiliate List. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) refers to these additions and deletions as "change requests" (CR). The new ACO-MS functionality gives ACOs immediate feedback on Medicare enrollment status of each CR.

ACOs may submit ACO participant and/or SNF affiliate additions for CMS review during an established review cycle prior to the upcoming performance year. ACOs receive CMS' feedback and opportunities to correct deficiencies with the identifiers or agreements. The review cycle includes three rounds for ACOs to submit CRs for CMS' review, feedback, and disposition.

The PY 2019 CR schedule is attached to the email delivering this week's ACO Spotlight. The PY 2019 CR schedule outlines the Performance Year (PY) 2019 CR review cycle, including each round, which CR actions that an ACO can take during each round, the deadline for submission of the CR, and an estimate of when the ACO will receive CMS' feedback. CMS will issue final dispositions on the approved CRs in late fall of 2018. The CR schedule is included with this edition of the ACO Spotlight and is also available in the Resources section of the SSP ACO Portal.

The three deadlines to submit change requests to add or edit ACO participants and/or SNF affiliates are July 31, 2018, August 29, 2018, and September 28, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Eastern Time (ET).

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