

CPCI Stakeholders –

Attached please find updated information from CMS regarding practice eligibility/selection criteria for the Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative:

- Memo summarizing eligibility/selection criteria with accompanying Q&A. This updates the previous Q&A you received from CIVHC and HealthTeamWorks with a summary of new information about eligibility/selection criteria and additional Q&A. The information in this memo comes from communications with CMMI staff and their Colorado consultants.
- Basic CPCI program overview with link to the practice eligibility tool. This overview was developed by the CMMI consultants. You've seen the information here before but it's useful to have the automatic link to the eligibility tool. **Remember: you must complete the eligibility tool in order to receive a CPCI application.**
- PowerPoint summarizing the program and the new eligibility/selection criteria. This PPT was also prepared by the CMMI consultants.
- Draft outcomes measures. This is the same document you received from CIVHC and HealthTeamWorks earlier; I'm attaching it again so you can have all resources in one place. As we noted before, please bear in mind that these measures are still a work in progress and subject to change.

A couple of key clarifications to answer some pressing questions we've received recently:

- When CMS says they'll contract with 75 practices, they mean practice sites – not 75 individual physicians.
- CMS defines a "practice" as a brick-and-mortar facility, or a group of practices operating under a shared TIN. Thus, practices within an IPA or PHO that share a TIN will be considered one entity and must apply as such. Practices within an IPA or other network that do not share a TIN must apply separately. We know these restrictions concern many of you, and believe there would be value in having some dialogue about the pros and cons of this approach.

We'll be in touch as we know more.

Best regards,
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