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**SUBJECT:** Final Contract Year 2015 South Carolina State-Specific Reporting Requirements Appendix

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the release of the state-specific reporting requirements appendix for the South Carolina Healthy Connections Prime demonstration under the Financial Alignment Initiative. The document is designed to provide guidance and technical specifications for the state-specific measures that the South Carolina Coordinated and Integrated Care Organizations (CICOs) will be required to collect and report under the demonstration.

These state-specific measures supplement the reporting requirements in the core reporting requirements document available on the CMS website at: <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/FinancialAlignmentInitiative/Downloads/FinalCY2015CoreReportingRequirements.pdf>

The specifications for these state-specific demonstration measures include their reporting frequency and due dates. Given the delays in releasing this document, we are modifying/clarifying the frequency and due dates for certain measures as follows:

- Several measures require simultaneous reporting of implementation and ongoing periods. However, we are not requiring implementation period monthly reporting through June on measures SC1.1, SC1.2, SC2.1, SC2.2, and SC3.1. Monthly reporting for these five measures will be required starting with the July reporting period, but the due date is delayed to September 30, 2015.

- CICOs are still required to report all applicable ongoing period quarters. The due date for the first quarter (Quarter 2) of ongoing period reporting for measures SC1.1, SC2.1, and SC2.2 will be delayed to September 30, 2015. Ongoing period quarterly reporting for measures SC1.2 and SC3.1 will be required for Quarter 1 and Quarter 2, but the due date for both quarters is also delayed to September 30, 2015.
- Continuous period quarterly reporting for measures SC2.6, SC5.1, SC6.1, and SC6.3 will be delayed. The Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 submissions for these four measures will be due on September 30, 2015.
- Continuous period quarterly reporting of Quarter 1 for measure SC2.4 will be delayed to September 30, 2015. Please note that reporting of Quarter 2 for this measure will be due on time on November 2, 2015.

As outlined in the MOU and three-way contracts, CICOs will also be required to meet established thresholds on certain “quality withhold” measures in order to earn back a withheld percentage of the capitation rate. Specifications for these measures are included in the South Carolina-specific appendix, and additional details about the quality withhold payment methodology and required thresholds will be provided in subsequent guidance.

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