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TO: All Medicare-Medicaid Plans

FROM: Sharon Donovan, Director, Program Alignment Group Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office

SUBJECT: Encounter Submission FAQs for Medicare-Medicaid Plans (MMP) Participating in the Medicare-Medicaid Financial Alignment Initiative

The submission of encounter data is a critical component to supporting effective evaluations of the demonstrations using the capitated model of the Financial Alignment Initiative. The CMS MMP Encounter Team has compiled a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs), attached. We will also be posting them on the Medicare-Medicaid Plan Encounter Data Reporting section of our plan information page on our website (<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/FinancialAlignmentInitiative/InformationandGuidanceforPlans.html>).

We invite feedback on additional items to add, and will update them as MMPS and we identify additional strategies to improve the timeliness, accuracy, and completeness of the encounter data MMPs submit to CMS. In addition, the CMS MMP Encounter Team is available to meet with MMP encounter staff who have questions or need technical assistance. Please contact Joe Del Pilar (Joseph.DelPilar@cms.hhs.gov), Larry Chan (Larry.Chan@cms.hhs.gov) or Lisa Briggs (Lisa.Briggs@cms.hhs.gov)

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