



October 2020 DSRIP Announcements & Updates

Dear DSRIP Program Participants,

Thank you for your attention to these brief NJ DSRIP announcements.

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DOH Corner

Thank you again for all hospitals’ continued efforts on the NJ DSRIP program during the COVID-19 pandemic. DOH is currently reviewing DY8 Interim Payment appeals and is awaiting approval on the DY8 Chart/EHR results and associated payments from CMS. DOH will provide updates regarding these items as soon as they become available.

DOH is excited to announce that CMS has approved the interim payment, known as the QIP-NJ “Bridge” payment, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and delaying the QIP-NJ program. Please see the QIP-NJ “Bridge” payment section below for additional details.

QIP-NJ “Bridge” Payment: Approved!

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, NJ DOH delayed the start of the QIP-NJ program to July 1, 2021. As a result, DOH proposed an interim time-limited directed payment, known as the QIP-NJ “Bridge” payment, and it was submitted via a Section 438.6(c) Preprint by DOH and DHS earlier this summer. The payment recently received CMS approval on September 17, 2020.

In compliance with 438.6(c)(2)(i)(A), New Jersey will require each of the state’s Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MMCOs) to issue a per diem add-on payment to hospital inpatient claims across five classes of providers. In the interest of ensuring hospitals receive payment at the earliest possible

date, the State proposed two utilization periods for the add on payment: (P1: July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020; P2: October 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021).

A memo is attached to the newsletter which provides additional details regarding the QIP-NJ “Bridge” payment. If you have any questions, please email QIP-NJ@pcgus.com.

DY8 Interim Payment: Appeals

Thank you for submitting appeals for the DY8 Interim Payment Packages. Hospitals that submitted appeals should have received an email confirmation from NJDSRIP@pcgus.com.

DOH is currently reviewing all appeals and supporting documentation. Once all appeals have been reviewed, DOH will send its recommendations to CMS for approval. Upon CMS approval, hospitals will be informed of the DY8 Interim Payment Appeal results.

Chart-Based Measure results & DY8 Final Payment

DOH sent the final payment calculations based on the DY8 SRW results and the EHR/Chart data for the DY8 Final Payment to CMS for approval. Once CMS approves the EHR/Chart data, the measure results and associated payment calculations will be uploaded to hospital’s Inbound [SFTP](#) folder. No payment will be paid to hospitals with this notification.

Hospitals will have 30 days to submit appeals for the EHR/Chart results. Once all appeals have been reviewed and approved by DOH, the DY8 Final Payment will be calculated and sent to CMS for approval. As a reminder, the DY8 Final Payment will be informed by hospitals’ performance on non-claims-based (chart-based) measures, the UPP remainder, plus any necessary post-appeals adjustments from DY7 and/or DY8. Once the final appeals are approved by CMS, the DY8 Final Payment will be distributed to all hospitals.

Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, please email NJDSRIP@pcgus.com.

Thank you,

NJ DSRIP Team

