Goal: Getting Payments Right

Program or Activity Medicare Part C

Reporting Period Q3 2020

Change from Previous FY (\$M)

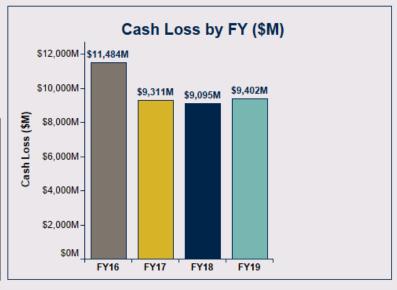
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Brief Program Description:
Under the Medicare Advantage (MA) Program, also known as Medicare Part C, beneficiaries can opt to receive their Medicare benefits through a private health plan. Currently, more than 19 million beneficiaries are enrolled in Medicare Advantage plans.

Key	Milestones	Status	ECD
1	Develop mitigation strategies to get the payment right the first time	Completed	Nov-18
2	Evaluate the ROI of the mitigation strategy	On-Track	Nov-20
3	Determine which strategies have the best ROI to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Nov-20
4	Implement new mitigation strategies to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Nov-20
5	Analyze results of implementing new strategies	On-Track	Nov-20



Quarterly Progress Goals		Status	Notes		
1	Q3 2020	In early 2020, HHS launched the payment year 2015 RADV audit. HHS held a training webinar for MAOs selected for audits in December 2019. HHS will provide a progress report in Fall 2020.	On-Track	None.	Nov-20
2	Q3 2020	The comment period for the RADV provision included in the 2020 Part C and D rule, which included data released by HHS underlying the Fee-for-Service Adjuster Study, closed in August 2019. HHS will draft an	On-Track	None.	Nov-20

Recent Accomplishments			
1	None.		
2	HHS launched the payment year 2015 RADV audit in early 2020 to reduce the cost of operating the audit by \$200-300 million per year by Fall 2021.	Apr-20	

Amt(\$)	Root Cause	Root Cause Description	Mitigation Strategy	Anticipated Impact of Mitigation
\$9,402 M	Administrative or process errors made by: others (participating lender, health care provider, or other organization administering Federal dollars)	Administrative or Process Errors Made by: Other Party (i.e., participating lender, health care provider, or any other organization administering Federal dollars) resulted in overpayments of \$9,402.18 million.	Reduce administrative or process errors made by other party through contract-level Risk Adjustment Data Validation (RADV) audits, improved policy based on statutory requirements, and expanded education to Medicare Advantage Organizations (MAOs).	HHS takes a holistic approach to develop corrective actions from various perspectives. Impact on the improper payment rate may not be realized for up to two years, and implementing new/revised policies may also result in a slight increase in rates.

Cash Loss - Cash loss to the Government includes amounts that should not have been paid and in theory should/could be recovered.