

November 24, 2014

RE: Clarification #2 for 2015 Quality Assurance Reporting Requirements Technical Specifications

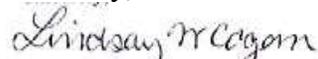
Dear Colleague:

This clarification contains information about changes made to the 2015 Quality Assurance Reporting Requirements (QARR) Technical specifications manual (dated October 20, 2014). The information contained in this clarification should be incorporated into the 2015 QARR manual and in plans' processing for QARR production. The issues addressed in this clarification are listed below:

1. We will not be collecting Relative Resource Use for People with Diabetes for 2015 QARR for any products. Table 1 on page 13 is revised to be 'NR' for this measure for all products.
2. A copy of auditor agreement with a NCQA licensed audit organization which indicates all products included in the audit is due March 3, 2015, rather than March 4, 2015, as listed on pages 16 and 17.
3. On page 35, the text in the opening paragraph is revised to indicate all member-level files are due on June 15, 2015, rather than June 16, 2015.
4. As indicated on page 35, zero-fill all blank columns or columns which do not apply to a product. Commercial PPO, Commercial HMO/POS, Qualified Health Plan PPO/EPO, and Qualified Health Plan HMO/POS will report information in all columns 1-238. Columns 231-232 will be zero-filled for Commercial PPO, and Commercial HMO/POS, if not applicable. Medicaid and HIV SNP plans will provide information in columns 1-203 and 235-238. Columns 204-232 will be zero-filled for Medicaid and HIV SNP plans.
5. The correct e-mail address to use for all correspondence and the submission of the Final Audit Report (FAR) is nysqarr@health.ny.gov.

If there are any questions about the information contained in this clarification, please feel free to contact me at (518) 486-9012 or via email at nysqarr@health.ny.gov.

Sincerely,



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