

AT A GLANCE

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PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RESOURCES

NOIA and Application Cycle Dates Available for a January 1, 2023 Start Date

The Notice of Intent to Apply (NOIA) and application submission dates for a January 1, 2023 start date for the Shared Savings Program are available on the Shared Savings Program's [Application Types & Timeline webpage](#).

CMS will accept NOIAs via the [ACO Management System \(ACO-MS\)](#) beginning on June 1, 2022, through June 7, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Eastern Time (ET). A NOIA submission does not bind your organization to submit an application; however, **you must submit a NOIA to be eligible to apply for, renew, or early renew your participation in the Shared Savings Program for a January 1, 2023 start date.** Each ACO should only submit one NOIA. After submitting a NOIA, ACOs can submit the application from June 8 until June 29, 2022, at noon ET.

Currently participating ACOs should only submit an Early Renewal NOIA if your ACO wants to voluntarily terminate your ACO Participation Agreement with an effective termination date of December 31, 2022, and apply for a new agreement period starting on January 1, 2023.

For more information visit:

- [Shared Savings Program website](#)
- [Application Types & Timeline webpage](#)

For questions, contact your ACO Coordinator.

April CCLFs and Claims Run-Out Files

April Claim and Claim Line Feed (CCLF) files for the Performance Year (PY) 2022 assignable or prospectively assigned beneficiaries will be available to ACOs in the Data Hub tab of [ACO-MS](#) the week of April 18th. For ACOs continuing their participation in the Shared Savings Program from the prior year, CMS has provided claims run-out CCLFs for the months of February and March and is providing them for April. Continuing ACOs will receive claims with service dates through the end of December 2021 as an additional set of CCLFs. The run-out CCLFs will include claims for the beneficiary population from the ACOs' performance year that ended on December 31, 2021.

The April delivery timeline for the CCLF, Exclusion, and Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) Cross-reference (XREF) files is as follows:

FILE	DELIVERY	FILE NAMING CONVENTION	DATA HUB PY	USER-FRIENDLY FILE NAMING CONVENTION
PY 2022 Exclusion and MBI XREF files	Week of April 13 th	P.A****.ACO.MBIY22.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst P.A****.BNEX.Y22.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst	2022	Excluded Beneficiary MBI XREF File delivered in April 2022 (txt) Beneficiary Data Sharing Exclusion File delivered in April 2022 (xml)
PY 2022 CCLFs	Week of April 18 th	P.A****.ACO.ZCY22.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst	2022	CCLF delivered in April 2022 (zip)
PY 2021 Run-Out Exclusion and MBI XREF files	Week of April 22 nd	P.A****.ACO.MBIR21.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst P.A****.BNEX.R21.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst	2021	Run-Out Excluded Beneficiary MBI XREF File delivered in April 2022 (txt) Run-Out Beneficiary Data Sharing Exclusion File delivered in April 2022 (xml)
PY 2021 Run-Out CCLFs	Week of April 27 th	P.A****.ACO.ZCR21.Dyymmdd.Thhmsst	2021	Run-Out CCLF delivered in April 2022 (zip)

ACOs should refer to the [CCLF Information Packet \(IP\)](#), Version 33 (V33) and the [ACO and ACO-OS Data Exchange User Guide](#) (DEUG), V11 for additional information on the CCLF and Exclusion files. The CCLF IP and the DEUG are available in the Program Resources section of the Knowledge Library tab in ACO-MS.

For technical assistance, please contact the ACO Information Center using the ACO-MS Helpdesk Icon (located within the ACO-MS banner) or call 1-888-734-6433 (Option 1).

Seeking Speakers for May ACO Learning System Webinar on Interventions for Provider Burnout

CMS will host an ACO Learning System webinar in May highlighting strategies for addressing provider burnout. Topics may include but are not limited to drivers of burnout at the individual and system levels, tactics to measure burnout among ACO providers, and cultural or systemic changes organizations can take to mitigate the effects of provider burnout and promote cultures of well-being.

Does your ACO have a story to share about promoting a culture of well-being or improving systems or staffing models to better support providers? Please express interest in presenting by emailing VBCLearningSystem@mathematica-mpr.com (subject line “May Provider Burnout Webinar”) by **close of business Friday, April 8th**. Kindly include a brief description of your ACO’s efforts to address provider burnout in your email.

Care Delivery Digests: Available

The Value Based Care (VBC) Learning System produced the [VBC Resource Digest: Care Delivery \(1 of 2\)](#) and [VBC Resource Digest: Care Delivery \(2 of 2\)](#), which present publicly available resources that capture evidence-based practices, promising approaches, and lessons learned related to delivering value-based care.

The first edition of the care delivery digest features resources on care management; building interdisciplinary care teams; delivering care to high-risk, high-need patients; improving transitions of care; and reducing avoidable admissions and

readmissions. The second edition features resources on assessing beneficiaries' health needs, integrating physical and behavioral health care, addressing social determinants of health, and delivering home-based care.

Search for "VBC Resource Digest: Care Delivery (1 of 2)" and "VBC Resource Digest: Care Delivery (2 of 2)" in the Webinars section and Learning System subcategory of the Knowledge Library tab in [ACO-MS](#).

Check out previous digests on [patient-centered care](#) and [provider engagement](#) in ACO-MS. Stay tuned for future editions on different value-based care topics. To provide feedback or suggest topics for future digests, email VBCLearningSystem@mathematica-mpr.com (subject line "VBC Resource Digest").

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACO Learning System Webinar: Designing Clinical Initiatives to Support Beneficiaries With Depression

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022, 3:00 P.M.–4:00 P.M. EASTERN TIME

- [Register Here](#)
- **Audience:** Shared Savings Program ACO staff
- **Description:** Join us for a webinar exploring how ACOs improve outcomes for beneficiaries with depression and increase access to behavioral health services. ACO presenters will discuss innovative programs to support beneficiaries with depression, such as how they are integrating screening for behavioral health needs into clinical workflows and approaches to improving referral and care management processes. This event is open to all Shared Savings Program ACO staff, although clinical leaders, administrators, and staff working on behavioral health-related initiatives may be most interested in attending. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions during the webinar.

VBC Learning System Webinar: Building Sustainable Relationships With Community-based Organizations

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022, 3:00 P.M.–4:00 P.M. EASTERN TIME

- [Register Here](#)
- **Audience:** Shared Savings Program ACO staff
- **Description:** Join us for a webinar exploring how to build sustainable relationships with community-based organizations (CBOs) to better serve beneficiaries. In addition to presentations by value-based care entities, you will hear from bridge organizations participating in the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation's (the Innovation Center's) [Accountable Health Communities Model](#). Bridge organizations participate in a model uniquely focused on systematically identifying and addressing the health-related social needs of Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, which include partnerships with various community-based organizations. Speakers will describe their action steps to identify potential CBO partners that can support unmet beneficiary needs and engage and maintain relationships with CBOs using strategies that foster long-term relationships and assessing the impact on beneficiary outcomes. This event is open to all Shared Savings Program ACO staff, although leadership, administrators, and staff working on health equity-related initiatives may be most interested in attending. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions during the webinar.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ACOs

ACO Coordinator

To help ACOs navigate questions regarding the Shared Savings Program, **please contact your ACO Coordinator as your first line of contact.** These additional resources are also available:

ACO Information Center

Click the [ACO-MS](#) Helpdesk Icon (located within the ACO-MS banner)

Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–7:30 p.m. ET

- Program operations and policy inquiries; technical inquiries related to program data and program reports; ACO-MS; and assistance with user access to CMS systems, including password resets
- 1-888-734-6433 (select Option 1) or 1-888-734-6563 (TTY/TTD)

Quality Payment Program Service Center

QPP@cms.hhs.gov

Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. ET; non-peak hours: before 10:00 a.m. and after 2:00 p.m. ET.

- Inquiries related to MIPS, APMs, MACRA, CAHPS® for ACOs survey, quality measures, quality reporting for 2017 and future years, and CMS Web Interface
- 1-866-288-8292

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