



CMS Changes 2020

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HealthPRO® Heritage's Clinical Strategies Division is reflecting on what these updates mean for providers in the future. Specifically, our team is considering what changes should be made NOW in response to strategic questions such as:



What does it mean for QMs, CMI, and RUG Medicare Advantage payers now that Section G is being retired? And how does the 7 day lookback for Section GG impact baseline admission and discharge? What does it mean that Section GG will be coded on other item sets? Is this how CMI and RUG will change?



How will health literacy (Section B) impact Quality Measures and reimbursement?



Will CMS likely change allowing the capture of IV fluids while not a resident for our PDPM nursing component (as captured in Section K)?



How will having the physician order removed from Section O impact current processes?



How will payment for types of medication and chemo change?

Don't Wait!

HealthPRO® Heritage recommends department directors should review these updates with their teams now, and begin revising current processes to accommodate for newly added coding items as needed.

Contact HealthPRO® Heritage for support in planning and executing on these changes at 877.508.3237 or info@healthpro-heritage.com.