

§ 156.470 Allocation of rates for advance payments of the premium tax credit.

(a) *Allocation to additional health benefits for QHPs.* An issuer must provide to the Exchange annually for approval, in the manner and timeframe established by HHS, for each health plan at any level of coverage offered, or intended to be offered, in the individual market on an Exchange, an allocation of the rate for the plan to:

- (1) EHB, other than services described in § 156.280(d)(1); and
- (2) Any other services or benefits offered by the health plan not described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(b) *Allocation to additional health benefits for stand-alone dental plans.* An issuer must provide to the Exchange annually for approval, in the manner and timeframe established by HHS, for each stand-alone dental plan offered, or intended to be offered, in the individual market on the Exchange, a dollar allocation of the expected premium for the plan, to:

- (1) The pediatric dental essential health benefit, and
- (2) Any benefits offered by the stand-alone dental plan that are not the pediatric dental essential health benefit.

(c) *Allocation standards for QHPs.* The issuer must ensure that the allocation described in paragraph (a) of this section—

- (1) Is performed by a member of the American Academy of Actuaries in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and methodologies;
- (2) Reasonably reflects the allocation of the expected allowed claims costs attributable to EHB (excluding those services described in § 156.280(d)(1));
- (3) Is consistent with the allocation applicable to State-required benefits to be submitted by the issuer under § 155.170(c) of this subchapter, and the allocation requirements described in § 156.280(e)(4) for certain services; and
- (4) Is calculated under the fair health insurance premium standards described at 45 CFR 147.102, the single risk pool standards described at 45 CFR 156.80, and the same premium rate standards described at 45 CFR 156.255.

(d) *Allocation standards for stand-alone dental plans.* The issuer must ensure that the dollar allocation described in paragraph (b) of this section is performed by a member of the American Academy of Actuaries in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and methodologies.

(e) *Disclosure of attribution and allocation methods.* An issuer of a health plan at any level of coverage or a stand-alone dental plan offered, or intended to be offered, in the individual market on the Exchange must submit to the Exchange annually for approval, an actuarial memorandum, in the manner and timeframe specified by HHS, with a detailed description of the methods and

specific bases used to perform the allocations set forth in paragraphs (a) and (b), and demonstrating that the allocations meet the standards set forth in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, respectively.

(f) *Multi-State plans*. Issuers of multi-State plans, as defined in § 155.1000(a) of this subchapter, must submit the allocations and actuarial memorandum described in this section to the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, in the time and manner established by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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