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TO: Medicare-Medicaid Plans in Illinois

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SUBJECT: Illinois-Specific Quality Withhold Technical Notes for Demonstration Years 2 through 5

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the release of revised state-specific quality withhold technical notes for the Illinois Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative, a capitated model demonstration under the Medicare-Medicaid Financial Alignment Initiative. As noted when the revised draft was released for public comment, the technical notes were updated to include the Demonstration Years (DY) 4 and 5 benchmarks for the Illinois state-specific quality withhold measures, to provide information about minimum enrollment requirements and small denominator exclusions, and to reference the updated CMS Core Quality Withhold Technical Notes for DY 2 through 5 (rereleased on March 14, 2018). The updated CMS Core Quality Withhold Technical Notes can be found at the following address: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/FinancialAlignmentInitiative/MMPInformationandGuidance/Downloads/QualityWithholdGuidanceDY2-503142018.pdf>.

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