Attachment C - Summary of Structural Changes - CY2009 BPT

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December 28, 2007 Revisions

These revisions are in response to the CY2008 Lessons Survey from industry, feedback from bid reviewers and internal review of the BPTs and instructions. They do not change the estimated burden to the plan sponsors.

A. MA BPT

a. Location: Worksheet 1, Section III

Revised input: Enter only plan experience for the Plan ID

Reason: Consistency with Part D bid form.

b. Location: Worksheet 1, Column f

Removed input: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience on Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Improved accuracy of BPT. This field was occasionally left blank when experience data was not entered in Worksheet 1.

c. Location: Worksheet 2, Column e

New input: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience and manual rates on Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Improved accuracy of BPT. This field was occasionally left blank when experience data was not entered in Worksheet 1.

d. Location: Worksheet 3, Column i

New input: Enter the effective copay/coinsurance before the impact of the out-of-pocket (OOP) maximum.

Reason: Improved efficiency in determining which service categories are included in the OOP maximum when reviewing plan corrections.

e. Location: Worksheet 3, cell K67

Removed input: Impact of OOP maximum.

Reason: This figure can be calculated from new data in column i.

f. Location: Worksheet 3, Columns j through n

Column renumbered: Columns j through n changed to j through o

Reason: Insertion of new column i.

g. Location: Worksheet 3, Column headings for h and m Revised column headings

Reason: Renamed to solicit a more complete description of cost sharing to promote ease of comparison with cost sharing in the PBP in reviewing the bid and plan corrections.

h. Location: Worksheet 1, line o and Worksheets 2 through 4, line p
Delete row: A separate service category for POS was removed. POS base and

projected experience and cost sharing must be entered in the appropriate service category.

Reason: To improve consistency in bid data. POS data was entered in this

manner for the majority of plans with POS data.

 Location: Lines subsequent to Worksheet 1, line o and Worksheets 2 through 4, line p

Column renumbered:

Reason: Deletion of POS line.

j. Location: Worksheet 4, Section III

Section deleted: Comparison of cost sharing for covered services with FFS

Medicare

Reason: This test is replaced by a more meaningful comparison of the value of the plan cost sharing for Medicare-covered services (col. k) to the value of FFS cost sharing based on projected allowed costs for the plan (col m) during bid review.

k. Location: Worksheet 4, Sections IV and V

Sections renumbered: Sections IV and V become Sections III and IV

Reason: Deletion of Section III

l. Location: Worksheet 6, Section IV

New input: Additional contact information

Reason: Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is

unavailable.

m. Location: 2-year look-back form, 1. Revenue

Deleted input: Combined member premium for basic and A/B mandatory supplemental benefits, deleted unused line and renumber lines.

Reason: Change in bid review policy that this level of detail is not necessary to

sufficiently review data.

n. Location: MSA Worksheets 1 through 5

Revised headings: Non-medical changed to non-benefit

Reason: Consistency with part D for ease of use

o. Location: MSA Worksheet 1, Column f

Removed input: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience on Worksheet

2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Consistency with MA BPT for ease of use

p. Location: MSA Worksheet 2, Column e

New input: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience and manual rates on

Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Consistency with MA BPT for ease of use

q. Location: MSA Worksheet 3, Section II

New input: Additional contact information

Reason: Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is

unavailable.

MA Bid Instructions

a. Location: General Overview, p5

New instruction: Brief list of material changes to bid form Reason: Assist plans sponsors in completing the BPT

b. Location: Introductory paragraphs pages 7, 15, 19 and 35

New instruction: Include the experience for enrollees in hospice status when entering data in Worksheets 1 through 5.

Reason: Clarify handling of hospice enrollees.

c. Location: Worksheet 1, page 8

Updated input table: Added new plan types

Reason: Provide all necessary data entry choices in the drop down menu in the

BPT.

d. Location: Worksheet 1, Section III, pages 7 and 11

Revised instruction: Enter only plan experience for the Plan ID

Reason: Consistency with Part D bid form

e. Location: Worksheet 1, Column f, Section III, page 13

Revised instruction: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience on Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Improved accuracy of BPT. This field was occasionally left blank when experience data was not entered in Worksheet 1.

f. Location: Worksheet 2, Column e, page 15

Revised instruction: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience and manual rates on Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Improved accuracy of BPT. This field was occasionally left blank when experience data was not entered in Worksheet 1.

g. Location: Worksheet 3, Column I, page 23

New instruction: Enter the effective copay/coinsurance before the impact of the out-of-pocket (OOP) maximum.

Reason: Improved efficiency in determining which service categories are included in the OOP maximum when reviewing plan corrections.

h. Location: Worksheet 3, page 24

Revised instruction: Impact of OOP maximum.

Reason: Explain that this figure can be calculated from the new data in column i.

i. Location: Worksheet 3, Columns j through n, pages 24 and 25 Revised instruction: Columns j through n changed to j through o

Reason: Insertion of new column i.

Location: Worksheet 1, line o and Worksheets 2 through 4, line p Pages 12

Revised instruction: A separate service category for POS was removed. POS base and projected experience and cost sharing must be entered in the appropriate service category.

Reason: To improve consistency in bid data. POS data was entered in this manner for the majority of plans with POS data.

k. Location: Lines subsequent to Worksheet 1, line o and Worksheets 2 through 4, line p, pages 12 - 30

Revised instruction: line labels renumbered

Reason: Deletion of POS line.

l. Location: Formerly Section III, page 33

Deleted instruction: Comparison of cost sharing for covered services with FFS

Medicare (formerly Section III)

Reason: This section was removed from the BPT

m. Location: Worksheet 4, Sections IV and V, pages 33 and 34

Revised instruction: Sections IV and V become Sections III and IV

Reason: Deletion of Section III in BPT

n. Location: Worksheet 6, Section IV, page 48

New instruction: Additional contact information

Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is Reason: unavailable.

o. Location: Worksheet 6, Section IV, page 48

New instruction: Additional contact information

Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is Reason: unavailable.

p. Location: 2-year look-back form, 1. Revenue, page 52

Revised instruction: Combined member premium for basic and A/B mandatory supplemental benefits and renumber lines.

Reason: Change in bid review policy that this level of detail is not necessary to sufficiently review data.

Location: MSA Worksheet 1, Column f, pages 9 and 10

Revised instruction: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience on

Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1.

Reason: Consistency with MA BPT for ease of use

s. Location: MSA Worksheet 2, Column e, page 12

Revised instruction: Enter Utilization Type for base period experience and manual

rates on Worksheet 2 instead of Worksheet 1. Reason: Consistency with MA BPT for ease of use

t. Location: MSA Worksheet 3, Section II, page 14

New instruction input: Additional contact information

Reason: Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is

unavailable.

PD BPT

a. Location: Worksheet 1, G15 New input:Network Pricing

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to

updated bidding guidance.

b. Location: Worksheet 1, K12: N15

New input: Mapping

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to new bidding guidance.

c. Location: Worksheet 5, G33

New input: Type of Deductible

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

d. Location: Worksheet 5, G34

New instruction: Alternative Coverage ICL

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

e. Location: Worksheet 5, K33

New instruction: Type of Gap Coverage

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

f. Location: Worksheet 6, F60: K61

New instruction: Network Pricing

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

g. Location: Worksheet 7, Section IV

New input: Additional contact information

Reason: Improved efficiency of bid review when certifying actuary is

unavailable.

h. Location: Page 34

New instruction: Line 5 – Network Pricing

Select one of the following two choices from the drop-down box: "pass-thru" or

"lock-in."

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to new bidding guidance.

i. Location: Page 22

New instruction: Line 6 – Mapping

Enter the contract-plan number and corresponding member months for every plan

where the plan's experience is mapped to the base period experience.

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to new bidding guidance.

j. Location: Page 41

New instruction: Type of Deductible

Select one of the following three choices from the drop-down

box: applies to all drugs; applies to brand drugs only; other.

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

k. Location: Page 41

New instruction: Alternative Coverage ICL

Enter the initial coverage limit (ICL) for the proposed Alternative Coverage

benefit.

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

l. Location: Page 41

New instruction: Type of Gap Coverage

Select one of the following five choices from the drop-down box: no coverage;

full coverage; partial - increased ICL; partial - generics only; partial - other.

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

m. Location: Page 51

New instruction: Network Pricing

Enter the percentage discount off AWP, and the Dispensing Fee for all generic,

brand and specialty drugs dispensed at mail or retail.

Reason: New instruction on a BPT input, in response to updated bidding

guidance.

Changes October 5, 2005

There are no structural changes to the CY2009 MA and PD BPTs and Instructions.

In the PD BPT, the following labels were changed:

Under I. General Information - #4 of all worksheets, Contract Year was changed from 2008 to 2009.

On Worksheet 1 Section III. Part D Claims Experience, the Allowed Claims Intervals #2 - #5 were updated from the CY2006 to the CY2007 allowed claims intervals.

In the PD BPT Instructions, all references of CY2008 were updated to CY2009.

In the MA BPT, the following label was changed:

Under I. General Information - #4 of all worksheets, Contract Year was changed from 2008 to 2009.

In the MA BPT Instructions, all references of CY2008 were updated to CY2009.

The revisions were necessary for accuracy. The revisions were not made as the result of a change in statute or regulation and neither increase nor decrease the burden.