

Attachment D – RAPPs Preprint Question 27

27. Please describe the data sources and methodology used for the analysis provided in response to Question 23.

Services provided between March 1, 2019 and February 29, 2020 (modified period) as part of Medicaid-managed care for the STAR/STAR+PLUS/STAR Kids programs were pulled based on a listing of RHC NPIs. Modified period claims were increased by 7% to account for projected MCO enrollment increases for these three programs from the modified period to SFY22. The enrollment has not begun for year 2, and there are no substantial changes to the program from year 1. New numbers will be provided when available after enrollment is complete.

The modeling assumed all payments would be paid through Components 1 and 2 of the directed payment program. In other words, it was assumed all providers would satisfy all program requirements. The directed payments were modeled per the payment descriptions and modified period claims per questions 8 and 19.

Medicare T1015 and office visit encounter rates were based on freestanding RHC and rural hospital cost reports. For an RHC that did not have a corresponding rural hospital cost report, the Medicare to Medicaid encounter rate ratio from that RHC's SDA was used as a proxy. Non-T1015 Medicare rates are assumed to have the same Medicare to Medicaid payment ratios as T1015 claims.