

Part B Insider (Multispecialty) Coding Alert

Physician Note: CMS Wants Your Feedback on PQRs Measures

Plus: Face-to-face visits aren't required for all home care patient updates.

If you've always wished that CMS would add Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) measures for a specific specialty area, then now is your chance to voice your concerns to the agency. CMS is now accepting quality measure suggestions that it could include in future years' PQRS bonuses.

CMS is particularly interested in filling "gaps" that exist in the PQRS system involving clinical outcomes, patient-reported outcomes, care coordination, safety, appropriateness, efficiency, patient experience, and engagement, according to a May 23 email to providers on the topic.

If you are interested in submitting a measure for CMS consideration, visit the CMS Call for Measures page at www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/MMS/CallForMeasures.html.