CMS Releases Data on 2018 Health Insurance Exchanges and Rates

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Center for Consumer Information & Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) has recently released public use data on health insurance exchanges and rates for 2018. The data include health insurance exchange public use files and rate review data.

Included in the public use materials are plan- and issuer-level data on:

- Essential health benefits, coverage limits, and cost sharing;
- Individual rates based on an eligible subscriber’s age, tobacco use, and geographic location, and family-tier rates;
- Maximum out-of-pocket payments, deductibles, Health Savings Account (HSA) eligibility, formulary ID, and other plan attributes;
- Rating business rules, such as allowed relationships (e.g., spouse, dependents) and tobacco use.
- Geographic service areas (including state, county, and zip code);
- Plan-level data mapping plans offered in the previous plan year to plans offered in the current plan year; and
- Quality ratings data for plans in plan year 2017 pilot states (VA and WI).

In addition, the public use materials include data on insurers’ rate review filings for rate increases in the single risk pool.

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