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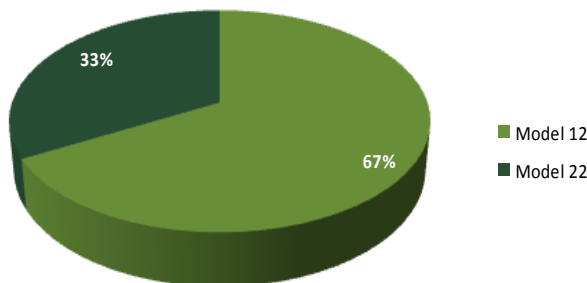
Final Call Letter Risk Adjustment Highlights

On 2/21, CMS released the Advance Notice of Methodological Changes for CY 2015 for Medicare Advantage Capitation Rates, Part C and Part D Payment Policies. Please note that risk adjustments are impacted. This document highlights the proposed salient items affecting risk adjustments. **Changes from the Advance Call Letter to the Final Call Letter published on 4/7 are called out.**

Blended Model Will Continue



The blended model that is in place for PY 2014 will be modified for PY 2015. The new risk scores are weighted using:



While unexpected, it is significantly positive.

Cognisight will refresh last year's forecasts for you using 2013 data. This will be completed in time for your bid development.

Other Model Changes

Medical HCCs

There are not any medical HCC model changes including their relative factors/co-efficients.

Rx HCCs

The Rx HCC model now remains unchanged.



Formula Factor Changes



Factor	Current	New	Impact
MA Coding Adjustment	-4.91%	-5.16%	No Change: Negative
Normalization			
2013 (Model 12)	-1.041	-0.992	Change: Still Positive
2014 (Model 22)	-1.026	-0.978	Change: Still Positive
ESRD Dialysis	1.039	1.001	Change: Still Positive
Functioning Graft	1.085	1.028	Change: Still Positive

Risk Adjustments from Prospective Assessments



The proposal changes to add new requirements for risk adjustments from prospective assessments has been deferred for consideration until 2016. Risk adjustment from prospective assessments will continue as allowed in the past.

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