

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Special Open Door Forum:  
Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI)  
and Electronic Prescribing (eRx) Incentive Program Updates  
Tuesday, October 19, 2010  
2:00-3:00 p.m. ET  
Conference Call Only

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will host a Special Open Door Forum on the 2010 PQRI and Electronic Prescribing eRx Incentive Program updates. This Special Open Door Forum will focus on:

- 2009 PQRI and eRx Incentive Program payment distribution and provide instructions for understanding these payments;
- Providing an overview for the use of the 2009 Feedback Report User Guides for PQRI and the eRx Incentive Program;
- Discussing the changes to the electronic Remittance Advice for eligible professionals receiving PQRI and eRx incentive payments in 2010
- Participation in the 2010 eRX Incentive Program

Following the presentation, the telephone lines will be opened to allow participants to ask questions of the CMS subject matter experts.

The PQRI is voluntary quality reporting program that provides an incentive payment to identified individual eligible professionals, and beginning with the 2010 PQRI, group practices who satisfactorily report data on quality measures for covered Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) services furnished to Medicare Part B Fee-For-Service (FFS) beneficiaries.

The PQRI was first implemented in 2007 as a result of section 101 of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (TRHCA), and further expanded as a result of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA), and the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA).

The eRx Incentive Program is an incentive program for eligible professionals initially implemented in 2009 as a result of section 132(b) of the MIPPA. The eRx Incentive Program promotes the adoption and use of eRx systems by individual eligible professionals (and beginning with the 2010 eRx Incentive Program, group practices).

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:

Dial: 1-800-837-1935 Conference ID 16269773.

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An audio recording and transcript of this Special Forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at, [http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05\\_ODF\\_SpecialODF.asp](http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp) and will be accessible for downloading beginning on or around November 1, 2010.

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