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Subject: Updated Proposed Guidance on Screening Instruments for SNPs

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is releasing updated proposed guidance on the list of screening instruments available for Medicare Advantage special needs plans (SNPs) to meet the new requirement to include one or more questions on housing stability, food security, and access to transportation in their health risk assessments beginning in contract year 2024. While we made some clarifications, the list of approved screening instruments is unchanged from the version we published in October 2022.

CMS received several comments on this proposed guidance through the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) 60-day public comment period, largely supportive of CMS's proposed approach. The updated proposed guidance includes minor clarifications in response to comments CMS received.

The PRA 30-day notice is published in the Federal Register at:

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-02-06/pdf/2023-02369.pdf>.