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HMO Supplement

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This file consists of one record for each SP who met two conditions as of the fall round. First, the SP had to report that he or she was enrolled in Medicare HMO at the time of the community interview in the fall round. Second, CMS records had to show a capitation payment to a Medicare HMO on behalf of the SP for the month of the interview.

These data augment information from the Access to Care and Satisfaction with Care sections of the questionnaire. It contains information about access to and satisfaction with medical services received through the HMO. It also contains the SP's assessment of the quality of medical care they are receiving, types of additional coverage offered, and any out-of-pocket costs associated with the HMO.

RIC	1	2			C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1			C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT		C Unique SP Identification Number
				2,036	LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
HMOYEARS	12	2	HYRSFMT	HIMC24	N How many years SP enrolled in an HMO?
				2	-9 Not ascertained
				73	-8 Don't know
				314	1-2 1 to 2 years
				539	3-5 3 to 5 years
				462	6-10 6 to 10 years
				235	11-15 11 to 15 years
				153	16-20 16 to 20 years
				216	21-95 More than 20 years
				42	96 Less than 1 year

Note: First available in 2000

MHREFDIF	14	2	DIFFMT	AC33	N Difficulty getting referrals thru MHMO?
				7	. Missing
				1	-9 Not ascertained
				2	-8 Don't know
				1	-7 Refused
				91	1 Yes
				1,689	2 No
				245	3 N/A - haven't tried to obtain referral

Note: First available in 1996

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MHSPCLTY	16	2	SPCLFMT			AC34a	N Kind of specialist/medical provider
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				0			1 Allergy & Immunology
				0			2 Anesthesiology
				9			3 Cardiology (heart)
				10			5 Dermatology (skin)
				0			6 Emergency Room physician
				1			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				0			8 Family practice
				5			9 Gastroenterology
				0			10 General practice
				2			11 General surgery
				0			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				0			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				0			14 Hematology (blood)
				0			15 Hospital residence
				4			16 Internal medicine
				2			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				2			18 Neurology
				0			19 Nuclear Medicine
				0			20 Oncology
				11			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				9			22 Orthopaedics
				2			24 Osteopathy
				0			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				0			26 Pathology
				1			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				2			28 Plastic surgery
				0			29 Proctology
				3			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				2			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				0			32 Radiology
				1			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				0			34 Thoracic Surgery
				6			35 Urology
				1			36 Audiologist
				1			37 Chiropractor
				1			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				2			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				11			91 Other medical specialty

Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1
First available in 1998

MHNOAUTH	18	2	IND1FMT			AC35	N HMO wouldn't authorize service
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				31			1 Indicated
				60			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1
First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MHWAITLG	20	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N Wait for appointment was too long
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				8			1 Indicated
				83			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			
MHNOCONV	22	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N Provider's location wasn't convenient
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				17			1 Indicated
				74			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			
MHNOREFR	24	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N HMO wouldn't give referral to SP
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				32			1 Indicated
				59			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			
MHNOLIKE	26	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N SP didn't like HMO - referred doctors
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				3			1 Indicated
				88			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			
MHBADHRS	28	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N Provider's office hours not convenient
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Indicated
				90			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			
MHOTHER	30	2	IND1FMT	AC35			N Other - Kind of difficulty
				1,945			. Inapplicable
				16			1 Indicated
				75			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MHREFDIF = 1 First available in 1996			

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MHREFPAY 32 2 YES2FMT AC36 N MHMO refused to pay emergency care
7 . Missing
1 -9 Not ascertained
3 -8 Don't know
1 -7 Refused
31 1 Yes
1,993 2 No

Note: First available in 1996

MHMORX 34 2 YES2FMT N Does Medicare HMO plan cover drugs?
19 -8 Don't know
1 -7 Refused
1,627 1 Yes
389 2 No

Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3

MHMODENT 36 2 YES2FMT N Does Medicare HMO plan cover dental?
96 -8 Don't know
2 -7 Refused
504 1 Yes
1,434 2 No

Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3

MHMOEYE 38 2 YES2FMT N Does Medicare HMO plan cover eye exams?
72 -8 Don't know
2 -7 Refused
1,451 1 Yes
511 2 No

Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3

MHMOPCAR 40 2 YES2FMT N Does Mcare HMO plan cover preventiv care
48 -8 Don't know
2 -7 Refused
1,894 1 Yes
92 2 No

Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3

MHMONH 42 2 YES2FMT N Does Mcare HMO plan cover nursing home?
519 -8 Don't know
2 -7 Refused
211 1 Yes
1,304 2 No

Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MHMOPOS	44	2	YES2FMT			HIMC15	N MHMO a point-of-service option
				181			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				174			1 Yes
				1,680			2 No
				Note: First available in 1996			
MHMOPAY	46	2	YES2FMT				N Does SP pay additional for HMO coverage?
				28			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,139			1 Yes
				868			2 No
				Note: Applies only if INTERVU = C and D_MCRHMO = 1 or 3			
D_ANHMO	48	8	HAMTFMT				N Annual additional cost for MHMO coverage
				898			. Inapplicable
				67			-8 Don't know
				1,071			Premium MIP pays for private insurance
				Notes: Applies only if MHMOPAY = 1 First available in 1996			
MHMOCOST	56	2	YES1FMT				N Did anyone else pay portion of premium?
				897			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				121			1 Yes
				1,010			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if MHMOPAY = 1 First available in 1999			
MHMOWHO	58	2	WHOFMT				N Did anyone else pay portion of premium?
				1,915			. Inapplicable
				7			1 Main insured person's current employer
				67			2 Main insured person's former employer
				6			3 Main insured person's union
				3			4 Spouse's current employer
				35			5 Spouse's former employer
				0			6 Professional/fraternal organization
				1			7 Medicaid/medical assistance
				2			91 Other
				Notes: Applies only if MHMOCOST = 1 First available in 1999			

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MHMOMEMB	60	2	HMEMBFMT				N Reason for joining a Medicare HMO
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				21			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				628			1 Lower cost
				448			2 Better benefits or coverage
				169			3 Doctor was member
				56			4 Convenient location
				218			5 Recommendation or reputation
				129			6 SP's current/former employer pays prem.
				82			7 Spouse's current/former emplr pays prem
				26			8 Less paperwork
				62			9 Prev plan bought/merged with current HMO
				24			10 Better selection of providers
				38			11 Better quality of care
				8			12 Couldn't get Medigap policy
				0			13 Better value than fee/service Medigap
				122			91 Other

Note: First available in 1996

RECMHMO	62	2	YES1FMT				N Would recommend MHMO to family/friends?
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				78			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,713			1 Yes
				243			2 No

Notes: Asked only in new panel interviews of SPs who belong to an HMO
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