

Shared Savings Program, Skilled Nursing Facility 3-Day Rule Waiver, and Track 1+ Model Applicants; and Currently Participating ACOs:

RESPONSE TO HURRICANE HARVEY AND HURRICANE IRMA

In response to Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma, the Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program) will provide additional time for ACOs and ACOs with ACO participants in the affected areas to respond to actions required by the deadline for the first Request for Information (RFI-1), which was due September 6, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Eastern Time (ET).

ACOs in the affected areas now have until the RFI-2 response deadline, which is October 2, 2017 at 12 p.m. (noon) ET to respond to RFI-1. These deadlines also apply to currently participating ACOs.

Specifically, ACOs and ACOs with ACO participants in the affected areas will have until noon on October 2, 2017, to:

- Apply to the Medicare ACO Track 1+ Model (Track 1+ Model)
- Apply for a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) 3-Day Rule Waiver
- Add or modify ACO participants and/or SNF affiliates
- Change a digit(s) to a taxpayer identification number (TIN), CMS Certification Number (CCN), or National Provider Identifier (NPI)
- Change from a one-sided model (Track 1) to a two-sided risk model (Track 2, Track 3, or the Track 1+ Model) (not applicable to currently participating ACOs not applying to the Track 1+ Model)
- Combine applications into one application, or combine an application with a currently participating ACO

ACOs will continue to have until the RFI-3 deadline, which is October 26, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) ET, to correct other deficiencies, submit supporting materials, and address other areas of their application(s). This deadline also applies to currently participating ACOs.

For applicants, please refer to the RFI Response Actions and Deadlines document on the <u>Application</u> Types & Timeline webpage for more information.

For currently participating ACOs, please refer to the ACO Participant List and Participant Agreement Guidance and/or SNF 3-Day Rule Waiver Guidance on the Program Guidance & Specifications webpage for more information.

If you have additional questions about this notice, please email the Shared Savings Program at:

- For applicants: SSPACO_Applications@cms.hhs.gov
- For currently participating ACOs: SharedSavingsProgram@cms.hhs.gov