

## HPMS E-Mail

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**Subject:** Solutions to Reduce Disparities: CMS Equity Plan for Medicare One Year Later

CMS will host a webinar on November 14<sup>th</sup>, from 2-3 p.m. ET.

We recently marked the one year anniversary of the release of the [CMS Equity Plan for Improving Quality in Medicare](#), the first plan to advance health equity in Medicare. We have taken important steps to improve the health outcomes of minorities and other vulnerable populations, and we are excited to share new solutions with you.

**On November 14, from 2-3 p.m. ET**, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Office of Minority Health (OMH) will host a webinar to highlight new resources developed under the CMS Equity Plan for Medicare, including tools designed to help you better collect and analyze your data, and implement sustainable actions to improve the quality of care for beneficiaries. You'll also hear about some exciting programs and initiatives across CMS that have the potential to improve the equity of care for beneficiaries.

Specific topics will include:

- **Building an Organizational Response to Health Disparities**  
Jordan Luke, CMS OMH, Group Director
- **Implementing Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services Standards: A Practical Guide**  
Jessica Briefer French, National Committee for Quality Assurance, Senior Research Scientist
- **Innovations in Population Health: Addressing health-related social needs through Accountable Health Communities**  
Dr. Alexander Billioux, CMS Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation, Division Director
- **From Data to Action: Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool**  
Dr. Shari Ling, CMS Center for Clinical Standards and Quality, Deputy Chief Medical Officer
- **Improving Care for Persons with Disabilities: Proposed Changes to Physician Payment**  
Dr. Ryan Howe, CMS Center for Medicare, Division Director
- **Collaborating with CMS Office of Minority Health to Advance Health Equity**  
Dr. Madeleine Shea, CMS OMH, Deputy Director

We hope you can join us for this webinar. Please register here ([https://www.conferenceplus.com/confcenter/PinCode/Pin\\_Code.aspx?100722&o=UyLrHluSeCeSxX](https://www.conferenceplus.com/confcenter/PinCode/Pin_Code.aspx?100722&o=UyLrHluSeCeSxX)) for this event. For questions about the webinar, please contact [omh@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:omh@cms.hhs.gov).