

42 C.F.R. § 425.659

Calculating risk scores used in Shared Savings Program benchmark calculations.

- (a) *General.* CMS accounts for differences in severity and case mix of the ACO's assigned beneficiaries and assignable beneficiaries (as defined under § 425.20) in calculations used in establishing, adjusting, and updating the ACO's historical benchmark.
- (b) *Prospective Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) risk score calculation.* In determining Medicare FFS beneficiary prospective HCC risk scores for a performance year and each benchmark year of the ACO's agreement period, CMS does the following:

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