

42 U.S. Code § 1395kk-2

Expanding availability of Medicare data

(a) Expanding uses of Medicare data by qualified entities

(1) Additional analyses

(A) In general

Subject to subparagraph (B), to the extent consistent with applicable information, privacy, security, and disclosure laws (including paragraph (3)), notwithstanding paragraph (4)(B) of section 1874(e) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395kk(e)) and the second sentence of paragraph (4)(D) of such section, beginning July 1, 2016, a qualified entity may use the combined data described in paragraph (4)(B)(iii) of such section received by such entity under such section, and information derived from the evaluation described in such paragraph (4)(D), to conduct additional non-public analyses (as determined appropriate by the Secretary) and provide or sell such analyses to authorized users for non-public use (including for the purposes of assisting providers of services and suppliers to develop and participate in quality and patient care improvement activities, including developing new models of care).

(B) Limitations with respect to analyses

(i) Employers

Any analyses provided or sold under subparagraph (A) to an employer described in paragraph (9)(A) (iii) may only be used by such employer for purposes of providing health insurance to employees and retirees of the employer.

(ii) Health insurance issuers

A qualified entity may not provide or sell an analysis to a health insurance issuer described in paragraph (9)(A)(iv) unless the issuer is providing the qualified entity with data under section 1874(e) (4)(B)(iii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395kk(e)(4)(B)(iii)).

(2) Access to certain data

(A) Access

To the extent consistent with applicable information, privacy, security, and disclosure laws (including paragraph (3)), notwithstanding paragraph (4)(B) of section 1874(e) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395kk(e)) and the second sentence of paragraph (4)(D) of such section, beginning July 1, 2016, a qualified entity may—

- (i) provide or sell the combined data described in paragraph (4)(B)(iii) of such section to authorized users described in clauses (i), (ii), and (v) of paragraph (9)(A) for non-public use, including for the purposes described in subparagraph (B); or
- (ii) subject to subparagraph (C), provide Medicare claims data to authorized users described in clauses
- (i), (ii), and (v), [1] of paragraph (9)(A) for non-public use, including for the purposes described in subparagraph (B).

(B) Purposes described

The purposes described in this subparagraph are assisting providers of services and suppliers in developing and participating in quality and patient care improvement activities, including developing new models of care.

(C) Medicare claims data must be provided at no cost

A qualified entity may not charge a fee for providing the data under subparagraph (A)(ii).

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