



Upcoming Events

Save the Date for the Next CJR Learning System Event: "Gainsharing: Aligning Financial Incentives to Improve Care"
Thursday, November 3, 2016
2 – 3 p.m. EDT

This webinar will focus on strategies and approaches related to driving care redesign through gainsharing in the major joint replacement of the lower extremity episode in the Bundled Payments for Care Improvement (BPCI) Initiative. BPCI Awardees will share their experiences and lessons learned from aligning financial incentives for care improvement. Registration link coming soon.

CJR Connect Topic of the Week: Gainsharing

Log on to [CJR Connect](#) and answer the poll question, *"With which of the following providers does your hospital currently have gainsharing agreements (Select all that apply)?"*

- Surgeons
- Hospitalists
- Primary Care Physicians and/or other Physicians
- In-Patient Rehabilitation Facilities
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Home Health Agencies
- Other
- None of the Above

For questions, assistance, suggestions for Learning System events or to be added to the CJR Biweekly Update distribution list, please contact CJRSupport@cms.hhs.gov.



Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model

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Model Reminders

The final lists of ICD-10 exclusion categories and hip fracture codes for FY 2017 are now available.

In the CJR final rule, CMS finalized a process for updating the list of ICD-10 categories excluded from CJR episodes (80 FR 73305), as well as a process for updating the ICD-10 diagnosis codes used to identify hip fractures (80 FR 73340). In accordance with these update processes, the CJR model team has posted files containing the final modifications to these lists on the CMS website at: <https://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/CJR>. These lists are effective as of October 1, 2016.

October 31, 2016 is the deadline to submit voluntary pre-operative patient-reported outcome (PRO) and risk variable data for Performance Year 1.

CJR participants can submit pre-operative PRO and risk variable data collected on patients who received eligible primary total hip arthroplasty and total knee arthroplasty procedures between July 1 - August 31, 2016. See the PowerPoint slide deck from the September 28th webinar titled "Webinar CJR Patient Reported Outcomes (PRO) and Risk Variable Data Submission for Performance Year 1 (PY 1) 09 28 16" for information about how to submit these data. It is available through the Libraries tab on [CJR Connect](#). Email CJRSupport@cms.hhs.gov if you have any questions about PRO and risk variable data submission.

Frequently Asked Questions Highlight: Overlap between CJR and the Bundled Payments for Care Improvement (BPCI) Initiative

Q: CMS has applied "precedence" to BPCI Model 2 and Model 3 physician group practice (PGP) and post-acute care (PAC) provider lower extremity joint replacement (LEJR) episodes. What does this mean?

A: If at any time during a CJR LEJR episode, that beneficiary would also be in a BPCI Model 2 or Model 3 LEJR episode, the beneficiary's CJR episode would either not be initiated or would be canceled. The episode would not be included in the participant hospital's CJR reconciliation. Several examples are provided on page 73389 of the CJR final rule.

CJR Connect Libraries: What's New

Here is what's new in the [CJR Connect](#) Library:

- Webinar CJR Patient Reported Outcomes (PROs) and Risk Variable Data Submission for Performance Year 1 (PY1): Follow Up Office Hours 10 19 16 Materials
- CJR Bulletins (Note: This content pack was updated on October 12, 2016.)
- Webinar CJR Quarterly Data Files with Mathematica Policy Research (MPR) Follow-Up Office Hours 08 18 16 Materials

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