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**TO:** Medicare-Medicaid Plans in Massachusetts

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**SUBJECT:** Final Massachusetts-Specific Quality Withhold Technical Notes for  
Demonstration Years 2 and 3

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the release of the final Demonstration Years (DY) 2 and 3 state-specific quality withhold technical notes for One Care, the Massachusetts capitated model demonstration under the Financial Alignment Initiative. The document provides additional details and benchmarks associated with the state-specific quality withhold measures that Massachusetts Medicare-Medicaid Plans (MMPs) will be required to meet under the demonstration.

This state-specific attachment directly supplements the Medicare-Medicaid Capitated Financial Alignment Model Quality Withhold Technical Notes for DY 2 and 3, which can be found at the following link: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/FinancialAlignmentInitiative/Downloads/DY2and3QualityWithholdGuidance042916.pdf>.

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