

## HPMS E-Mail

**Date:** September 1, 2021

**Subject:** Reminder of Upcoming Changes to the Pharmacy Network Size Validations in PDPFS

As noted in the CY 2022 annual drug pricing submission guidance published on May 28, 2021, the “Pharmacy Network Size All Retail” and “Pharmacy Network Size Preferred Retail” thresholds are changing from 10% to 1% for CY 2022. We are sending this email as a reminder of how CMS will implement the upcoming threshold change.

- The “Pharmacy Network Size All Retail” and “Pharmacy Network Size Preferred Retail” thresholds will remain at 10% through the final CY 2021 production submission window, which began on Monday, August 30, 2021.
- CMS will implement the threshold change beginning with the first CY 2022 production submission window, starting on Monday, September 13, 2021. These validations will be treated as informational findings for both the submission window starting on Monday, September 13, 2021 and the subsequent window starting on Monday, September 27, 2021.
- These validations will be switched back to attestable, suppressible findings beginning with the third CY 2022 production submission window, starting on October 11, 2021.

For questions related to this email, please contact the HPMS Help Desk at either 1-800-220-2028 or [hpms@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:hpms@cms.hhs.gov).

