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MEMORANDUM

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QI-2018

[Supercedes QI-1920]

TO: QUEST Integration (QI) Health Plans

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SUBJECT: QUALITY PORTION OF AUTO-ASSIGNMENT ALGORITHM FOR QUEST

INTEGRATION (QI) MEMBERS

The Med-QUEST Division (MQD) is issuing this memorandum to supersede QI-1920 issued on July 31, 2019.

The quality portion will be based on the following four (4) quality measures:

- 1. Prenatal and Postpartum Care (HEDIS PPC), Timeliness of Prenatal Care;
- 2. Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (HEDIS FUH), within seven (7) days of discharge;
- 3. Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Getting Needed Care; and
- 4. Early and Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Participant Ratio.

Please note that the following algorithm has increased the quality portion of the auto-assign allocation by 10 (ten) percentage points to 80%, as stated in Section 30.530 of the QI RFP-MQD-2014-005.

Health plans' Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) scores, CAHPS scores, and EPSDT Participant Ratio shall be percentages ranging 0-100%. The score on each of the four (4) quality measures shall be weighed equally and averaged for each plan to the tenth decimal place. If a health plan has a measure(s) that is not applicable (i.e., N/A), then that measure(s) will be omitted from the calculation and the other measures will be weighted equally. Plans shall receive a corresponding ordinal ranking with the highest score being health plan #1 and so on. All five (5) health plans are included in the first table. In the islands where only four (4) health plans are available for auto-assignment, we have provided a table with only four (4) health plans. All total percentages are arbitrarily truncated (either up or down) to zero decimal places.

For islands with five (5) plans available, MQD shall calculate the auto-assign algorithm as follows:

Health Plan Rating	Quality Amount Applied	Quality Application to 80%	Equal Application to 20%	Total
#1 (highest rating)	34%	27%	4%	31%
#2	26%	21%	4%	25%
#3	20%	16%	4%	20%
#4	14%	11%	4%	15%
#5 (lowest rating)	6%	5%	4%	9%

For islands with four (4) plans available, MQD shall calculate the auto-assign algorithm as follows:

Health Plan Rating	Quality Amount Applied	Quality Application to 80%	Equal Application to 20%	Total
#1 (highest rating)	40%	32%	5%	37%
#2	30%	24%	5%	29%
#3	20%	16%	5%	21%
#4 (lowest rating)	10%	8%	5%	13%

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If there is a tie between health plans in their rating, then MQD shall split the ratio equally amongst the health plans with a tie. The auto-assign algorithm described in the memorandum shall be implemented on June 1, 2020.

Please contact Mr. Jon Fujii, Health Care Services Branch Administrator, via e-mail at jfujii@dhs.hawaii.gov should you have any questions.