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Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

Update RE: Alternative Payment Model Program and CY2019 Data Collection

Dear provider partners:

First and foremost, we'd like to thank you for the care you provide to all Coloradans, including Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) and Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) members. We are deeply appreciative of what you do every day.

You are receiving this communication because you participated in Health First Colorado's (Colorado's Medicaid program) Alternative Payment Model (APM) program during calendar year 2019 (CY2019) and selected performance measures upon which to report. As the spread of and response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) evolves, the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) acknowledges you are devoting all available resources to the COVID-19 pandemic readiness and care delivery. In light of this, the Department is delaying the Alternative Payment Method (APM) program until further notice.

Here's what you need to know:

- The Department is suspending the collection of APM CY2019 performance data from Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs) effective immediately.
- APM CY2019 program participants receive enhanced primary care rates and were to receive either potential positive or negative adjustments to those rates based on their performance during CY2019.
- The performance data collected by the RAEs would have determined adjustments to [procedure codes](#) effective July 1, 2020.
- However, the Department will not change payment rates as originally planned and the enhanced funding for certain primary care codes will continue.
- This action supports primary care medical providers as they focus on preparing for and responding to COVID-19 while addressing patient care needs and their patients' concerns.

Connect with your RAE contact and [visit the APM website](#) for updates. You can also find COVID-related guidance at colorado.gov/hcpf/covid. In the meantime, please continue to focus on what is most important right now: your patients and families, your colleagues and yourself. Thank you for your partnership!