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Dear HFS RHC and FQHC Clients:

CMS has issued a Federal Register notice releasing a draft of a new Cost Report for FQHC providers. The new draft form is CMS-224-14 and will be effective for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2014. This effective date reflects the implementation date of the new FQHC PPS, required under the Affordable Care Act.

The draft is available at the CMS website:

https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing-Items/CMS-224-14.html?DLPage=1&DLEntries=10&DLFilter=cost%20report&DLSort=1&DLSortDir=descending

HFS has developed Beta software incorporating the draft forms and anticipates that CMS will release final forms and instructions in the spring of 2016. While no extension date has been established, MACs have been instructed not to request impacted cost reports until further notice.

HFS is working to make this a smooth transition. We currently have a beta system available for download at our website or through check for updates for clients that identified themselves as FQHC in the survey distributed 1/27/2016. This survey was previously sent to only the primary contact for each account. If you should have access to the 224-14 FQHC software and do not, check with your account's primary contact to see if the survey was completed. If the survey was not completed it is not too late to do so and we can add the 224-14 software to your account.

Link to take the RHC/FQHC form split survey:

http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07eacl4e0hi4bkk5cy/start

Once CMS finalizes the forms we will submit for, hopefully, a quick approval and get you an approved system as soon as possible.

Please note that you can use the beta system to start 224-14 cost reports and that any data entered into the beta system will be retained when the system is updated for the approved version. Data can be copied and pasted from the 222-92 (or the RF file) to the 224-14 forms. The template feature is not complete but will be included in the 224-14 system prior to the form set being finalized.

Thanks, Health Financial Systems (888) 216-6041