

NJ FamilyCare Perinatal Episode of Care Pilot: Performance Period 2

Quick Glance of Specifications

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Category	Feature	Specification
Key dates	Performance Period 2	Episodes ending on 7/1/2023-6/30/2024
	Anticipated date when providers will receive Performance Period 2 incentive payments	Early 2025
	Financial reconciliation	Retrospective (Note: Providers in and out of the pilot are paid as usual during the Performance Period.)
Eligible providers	Participation in pilot	Voluntary
	Provider type	Provider of obstetrical care in the prenatal period and/or delivery within managed care
	Accountable provider unit of accountability	Billing provider (Note: Multiple billing providers can be associated with a single accountable provider)
	Provider exclusions	FQHCs, though they can participate as an Associated Provider with an eligible provider
	Attribution of episodes to a Principal Accountable Provider	Hierarchical: prenatal, then delivering obstetrical provider
Included patient population	Included claims	Claims for care of the birthing individual included for both episode quality and spend. Claims for care of the neonate are included in episode quality only.
	Births covered by managed care	Included
	Births covered by fee for service	Excluded
	Minimum episode volume requirement for incentives	15 managed care episodes
Episode quality	Number of payment metrics	5 (see separate table)
	Calculation method	Calculated from reimbursed NJ FamilyCare claims
	Baseline period for quality thresholds	CY2021
Episode spend	Number of incentives	3 (see separate table)
	Inflation adjustment	If needed, it will be determined during Performance Period 2
	Baseline period for spend benchmarks	CY2021
Participation Requirements	01 Health Equity Action Plan	Later of: Submission due by September 30, 2023 OR, 45d after Pre-Performance Report delivery
	02 Multidisciplinary review committee of clinical outcomes	Submission due by June 30, 2024 (recommended quarterly submission)
	03 NJHIN participation (Minimum use case: Admission, Discharge, Transfer)	Documentation due by December 31, 2023
	04 Research participation	Upon request

Performance Period 2: Quality metrics and thresholds

Metric	Minimum Threshold	Commendable Threshold
01 Prenatal depression screening	Lower of: 50% OR 20% Improvement from self*	75%
02 Gestational diabetes screening	84%	91%
03 Delivery mode (vaginal delivery for low-risk births)	Lower of: 86% OR 2% improvement from self*	91%
04 Postpartum visit within 3 weeks of discharge	10%	17%
05 Neonatal visit within 5 days of discharge	Lower of: 40% OR 5% improvement from self*	54%
*Improvement calculated based on performance in calendar year 2021		

Performance Period 2: Financial incentives

Incentive	Feature	Specification
Shared Savings Payment	Quality requirements	Pass minimum threshold for all 5 metrics
	Spend requirement	Reduce spend by at least 3%, relative to provider's own performance in calendar year 2021
	Corridor	3%
	Gain sharing proportion	50%
High Performer Bonus	Quality requirements	Pass minimum threshold for all 5 metrics Pass commendable threshold for at least 2 metrics
	Spend requirements	Beat 50 th percentile of peer spend, calculated based on performance of all NJ FamilyCare providers in calendar year 2021
	Bonus target (per episode)	\$1,500
	Bonus pool amount	\$2 million
SUD Participation Incentive	SUD percentile requirements	Provider is in the top 20% of all NJ FamilyCare providers serving SUD populations, ranked at the end of Performance Period 2
	SUD calculation	Percentage of episodes that include a substance use diagnosis for the birthing individual out of provider's total episode volume
	Bonus target (per episode)	\$300
	Bonus pool amount	\$1 million