

## Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) Program CHIP Improper Payment Rates

## **Cycle-Specific CHIP Improper Payment Rates**

Year	PERM Cycle	Overall	FFS	Managed Care	Eligibility
2012	Cycle 3 – FY 2011	8.2%	6.9%	0.1%	5.7%
2013	Cycle 1 – FY 2012	6.8%	6.1%	0.5%	4.4%
2014	Cycle 2 – FY 2013	4.8%	6.2%	0.0%	2.6%
2015*	Cycle 3 – FY 2014	N/A	13.13%	0.64%	N/A
2016*	Cycle 1 – FY 2015	N/A	14.05%	3.75%	N/A
2017*	Cycle 2 – FY 2016	N/A	7.68%	1.69%	N/A
2018*	Cycle 3 – FY 2017	N/A	27.77%	0.24%	N/A
2019	Cycle 1 – RY 2019	37.75%	15.29%	2.91%	32.97%
2020**	Cycle 2 – RY 2020	36.46%	10.67%	1.15 %	32.95%

\*For the 2015-2018 measurements, eligibility reviews were suspended. Therefore, eligibility component improper payment rates and the overall rates including the eligibility component are not reported. 2019 represents the first cycle measured under the new PERM regulation (82 FR 31158). Cycles prior to 2015 were measured under the previous PERM eligibility methodology. Additionally, CMS began reporting the official rates to two decimal places in 2015. Cycles prior to 2015 had rates reported to one decimal place.

\*\*Under provisions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, President Trump declared on March 13, 2020 that, as a result of the effects of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), a national emergency exists, retroactive to March 1, 2020. On January 31, 2020, Secretary Azar of the Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) declared a nationwide public health emergency, retroactive to January 27, 2020. On April 2, 2020, CMS announced that it was exercising its enforcement discretion to adopt a temporary policy regarding the Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) program. Accordingly, CMS suspended all improper payment-related engagement/communication or data requests to providers and state agencies. Effective August 11, 2020, CMS resumed PERM-related engagements with providers and states. However, for Cycle 2 (2020), CMS determined that, at the time of the PERM suspension, CMS had completed all data and documentation requests necessary to complete national reporting and did not resume any state or provider outreach. Due to the public health emergency impact, the Cycle 2-specific rates may not be comparable to other cycles. However, the public health emergency only impacts one of the three cycles (Cycle 2) that combine to formthe national rolling rate for 2020.

## National Rolling CHIP Improper Payment Rates\*

Year	PERM Cycles	Overall	FFS	Managed Care	Eligibility
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2013	Cycle 3 – FY 2011	7.1%	5.7%	0.2%	5.1%
	Cycle 1 – FY 2012				
2014	Cycle 3 – FY 2011	6.5%	6.2%	0.2%	4.2%
	Cycle 1 – FY 2012				
	Cycle 2 – FY 2013				
2015	Cycle 1 – FY 2012	6.80%	7.33%	0.37%	4.22%
	Cycle 2 – FY 2013				
	Cycle 3 – FY 2014				
2016	Cycle 2 – FY 2013	7.99%	10.15%	1.01%	4.22%
	Cycle 3 – FY 2014				
	Cycle 1 – FY 2015				

2017	Cycle 3 – FY 2014 Cycle 1 – FY 2015 Cycle 2 – FY 2016	8.64%	10.29%	1.62%	4.22%
2018	Cycle 1 – FY 2015 Cycle 2 – FY 2016 Cycle 3 – FY 2017	8.57%	12.55%	1.24%	4.22%
2019	Cycle 2 – FY 2016 Cycle 3 – FY 2017 Cycle 1 – RY 2019	15.83%	13.25%	1.25%	11.78%
2020	Cycle 3 – FY 2017 Cycle 1 – RY 2019 Cycle 2 – RY 2020	27.00%	14.15%	0.49%	23.53%

 $<sup>*</sup> Considered the official rates \ reported \ by \ CMS.$