2023 Measurement Year CMS EPCS Program Requirements At-A-Glance

What is measured

- All Medicare Part D prescriptions for schedule II-V controlled substances filled between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023
- CMS gathers data from the Medicare Part D claim—no need to report data to CMS
- Based on filled Part D prescriptions regardless of prescriber Medicare participation status
- Prescriptions written for a beneficiary in a long-term care facility not included in the 2023 measurement year

Exceptions

- Prescriptions when the prescriber and pharmacy are the same entity*
- Prescribers who issue 100 or fewer qualifying prescriptions during the measurement year*
- Prescriptions issued when the prescriber is located in the geographic area of an emergency or disaster declared by a Federal, State, or local government entity*
- Prescribers who have requested and received a waiver from CMS for the 2023 measurement year when circumstances beyond their control prevented them from electronically prescribing controlled substances

Meeting program requirements

- Transmit at least 70% of qualifying prescriptions electronically *OR*
- Receive an automatic exception as calculated by CMS OR
- Request and receive a waiver exception from CMS

Check my compliance

- Non-compliance notices will be sent to prescribers in the Fall of 2024
- The CMS EPCS Prescriber
 Portal will include compliance information for prescribers and provide an opportunity to request a waiver in the Fall of 2024

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^{*}This exception is automatically calculated by CMS