

Pilot Programs and Demonstration Projects
The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) and Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010

Provision	Description	Section	Implementation Timeline
Extension of gain sharing demonstration	The Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 authorized a demonstration to evaluate arrangements between hospitals and physicians designed to improve the quality and efficiency of care provided to beneficiaries. Authorizes \$1.6 million in FY2010 for carrying out the demonstration.	Sec. 3027	Demonstration runs through September 30, 2011 and the final report to Congress on the demonstration is due on September 30, 2012.
Extension of Rural Community Hospital Demonstration Program	Extends the program for five years and expands eligible sites to additional States and additional rural hospitals. Adjust the calculation of payments with the demonstration program.	Sec. 3123	Extends for 5 years, through 2015.
CMS Innovation Center	Establishes within CMS a Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation with a purpose to research, develop, test, and expand innovative payment and delivery arrangements to improve the quality and reduce the cost of care provided to patients in each program.	Sec. 3021	Beginning in 2010 and funded for 10 years
Improvements under the Innovation Center	Adds payment reform models to the list of projects for the Center to consider, including rural telehealth expansions and the development of a rapid learning network.	Sec. 10306	Runs through 2020
Community-based care transitions program	Provides funding to hospitals and community-based entities that furnish evidence based care transition services to Medicare beneficiaries at high risk for readmission.	Sec. 3026	Beginning January 1, 2011 and lasting for a 5 year period.
Medicare Shared Savings Program	Establishes a shared savings program that would reward ACOs that take responsibility for the costs and quality of care received by their patient panel over time. ACOs that meet quality-of-care targets and reduce the costs of their patients relative to a spending	Sec. 3022	Begins on January 1, 2012 and will conclude on December 31, 2016.

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	benchmark are awarded with a share of the savings they achieve for the Medicare program.		
Improvements to the Medicare Shared Savings Program	Provides additional flexibility to the Secretary to implement innovative payment models for participating ACOs, including models currently used in the private sector.	Sec. 10307	Beginning on the date of enactment and ending on the date the program is established
Pediatric Accountable Care Organization Demonstration Project	Establishes a demonstration project for states, which would allow pediatric medical providers who meet certain criteria to be recognized as accountable care organizations (ACOs). Participating providers would be eligible to share in the federal and state cost savings achieved for Medicaid and CHIP. States would establish a minimum level of savings that would need to be achieved by an ACO in order for it to share in the savings.	Sec. 2706	Begins on January 1, 2012 and will conclude on December 31, 2016.
National demonstration projects on culture change and use of information technology in nursing homes	Two facility-based demonstration projects that would develop best practice models in two areas. The first would be designed to identify best practices in facilities that are involved in the “culture change” movement, including the development of resources where facilities may be able to access information in order to implement culture change. The second demonstration would focus on development of best practices in information technology that facilities are using to improve resident care.	Sec. 6114	Projects not to exceed 3 years with reports made to Congress no later than 9 months after completion of the projects
Treatment of certain complex diagnostic laboratory tests	Creates a demonstration program to test the impact of direct payments for certain complex laboratory tests on Medicare quality and costs. Appropriates \$5 million from the Federal Supplemental Medical Insurance Trust Fund for this provision.	Sec. 3113	2 year period beginning July 1, 2011

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Demonstration project to evaluate integrated care around a hospitalization	Establishes a demonstration project, in up to eight States, to study the use of bundled payments for hospital and physicians services under Medicaid	Sec. 2704	Begins on January 1, 2012 and concludes on December 31, 2016
Independence At Home Demonstration Program	Creates a new demonstration program for chronically ill Medicare beneficiaries to test a payment incentive and service delivery system that utilizes physician and nurse practitioner directed home-based primary care teams aimed at reducing expenditures and improving health outcomes. Appropriates \$5 million for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2015.	Sec. 3024	Begins January 1, 2012 and is funded through 2015.
Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program	Establishes a value-based purchasing program for hospitals starting in FY2013. Under this program, a percentage of hospital payment would be tied to hospital performance on quality measures related to common and high-cost conditions, such as cardiac, surgical and pneumonia care. Quality measures (other than measures of hospital readmissions) included in the program (and in all other quality programs in this title) will be developed and chosen with input from external stakeholders. Funding for value-based incentive payments for qualifying hospitals would be generated through reducing Medicare IPPS payments to the hospitals phased-in as follows: 1.0 percent in FY2013; 1.25 percent in FY2014; 1.5 percent in FY2015; 1.75 percent in FY2016; and 2.0 percent in FY 2017 and beyond.	Sec. 3001	Beginning on January 1, 2013 and going forward
National Pilot Program on	Directs the Secretary to develop a national, voluntary pilot program encouraging hospitals, doctors, and post-acute providers to	Sec. 3023	Established beginning on January 1, 2013 and lasting for

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Payment Bundling	improve patient care and achieve savings for the Medicare program through bundled payment models.		a period of 5 years
Revisions to national pilot program on payment bundling	Provides the Secretary authority to expand the payment bundling pilot if it is found to improve quality and reduce costs. Also, directs the Secretary to test bundled payment arrangements involving continuing care hospitals within the bundling pilot program.	Sec. 10308	Beginning on the date of enactment and ending on the date the program is established
Pilot testing pay-for-performance programs	Provides the Secretary the authority to test value-based purchasing programs for inpatient rehabilitation facilities, inpatient psychiatric hospitals, long-term care hospitals, certain cancer hospitals and hospice providers	Sec. 10326	
Public reporting of performance information	Requires the Secretary to establish a demonstration program to provide financial incentives to Medicare beneficiaries who are furnished services by high quality physicians	Sec. 10331	Beginning on January 1, 2019
Payment adjustments for home health care	Allows the Secretary to conduct a demonstration to test whether making payment adjustments for home health services under the Medicare program would substantially improve access to care for patients with high severity levels of illness or for low-income or underserved Medicare beneficiaries	Sec. 3131	Beginning in 2013 and applying to all subsequent years
Regionalized Systems for Emergency Care Pilots	Awards not fewer than 4 multi-year contracts or competitive grants to eligible entities to support pilot projects that design, implement, and evaluate innovative models of regionalized, comprehensive, and accountable emergency care and trauma systems	Sec. 3504	Funding for 2010 through 2014
Demonstration Project Concerning Individualized	Pilot program to test the impact of providing at-risk populations who utilize community health centers an individualized wellness plan that is designed to reduce risk factors for preventable conditions as identified by a comprehensive risk-factor assessment	Sec. 4206	Not available

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Wellness Plan			
Healthy Aging, Living Well Pilot Programs	Award grants to states and local health departments and Indian tribes to carry out 5-year pilot programs to provide public health community interventions, screenings, and where necessary, clinical referrals for individuals who are between 55 and 64 years of age.	Sec. 4202	Annual evaluations; funding from 2010 to 2014
Medicaid global payment system demonstration project	Establishes a demonstration project, in coordination with the CMS Innovation Center, in up to five States that would allow participating States to adjust their current payment structure for safety net hospitals from a fee-for-service model to a global capitated payment structure.	Sec. 2705	From 2010 to 2012
Medicaid emergency psychiatric demonstration project	Requires the Secretary to establish a three-year Medicaid demonstration project in up to eight States. Participating States would be required to reimburse certain institutions for mental disease for services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries between the ages of 21 and 65 who are in need of medical assistance to stabilize an emergency psychiatric condition.	Sec. 2707	Funds will be available from 2011 until December 31, 2015
Improvements to the demonstration project on community health integration models in certain rural counties	Expands the demonstration project that allows eligible rural entities to test new models for the delivery of health care services in rural areas. The expansion will allow additional counties to participate and will also allow physicians to participate in the demonstration project.	Sec. 3126	Effective with enactment
Graduate	Establishes a demonstration program to increase graduate nurse	5509	Funding in fiscal years 2012

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nurse education demonstration program	education training under Medicare and authorizes \$50 million to be appropriated for each of the fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for such purpose.		through 2015
Funding for Childhood Obesity Demonstration Project	Appropriates \$25,000,000 for FYs 2010 through 2014 for the demonstration project to develop a comprehensive and systematic model for reducing childhood obesity to be developed under the Children’s Program Reauthorization Act of 2009	Sec. 4306	2010 through 2014
Alternative Dental Health Care Provider Demonstration Project	Authorizes the Secretary to award grants to establish training programs for alternative dental health care providers to increase access to dental health care services in rural, tribal, and underserved communities. Authorizes such sums as may be necessary	Sec. 5304	Upon enactment
Environmental Health Hazards Primary Pilot Program	Provides innovative approaches to furnishing comprehensive, coordinated, cost-effective care for certain individuals residing in emergency declaration areas and optional pilot programs for each geographic area subject to an emergency declaration	Sec. 10323	Upon enactment
Demonstration Project to Address Health Professions Workforce Needs; Extension of Family-to-Family Health Information	Establishes a demonstration grant program through competitive grants to provide aid and supportive services to low-income individuals with the opportunity to obtain education and training for occupations in the health care field that pay well and are expected to experience labor shortages or be in high demand. The demonstration grant is to serve low-income persons including recipients of assistance under State Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) programs. Also establishes a demonstration program to competitively award grants for up to six States for three years to develop core training competencies and certification	Sec. 5507	Appropriates \$85 million for the demonstration programs for each of fiscal years 2010-2014. Extends funding for family-to-family health information centers at \$5 million for 2010-2012

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Centers	programs for personal and home care aides.		
Medicaid Waiver Evaluations Pilot	Process for public evaluation at the State and Federal level of experimental, pilot or demonstration projects and would impose a process for establishing requirements relating to the goals, expected costs, and specific plans for the projects	Sec. 1021	Not available
Demonstration Program to Integrate Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Training and Clinical Education of Health Professionals	Awards grants to eligible entities or consortia to carry out demonstration projects to develop and implement academic curricula that integrates quality improvement and patient safety in the clinical education of health professionals. Directs Secretary to report to Congress not later than 2 years after the Act's enactment and, annually thereafter.	Sec. 3508	Upon enactment
National Independent Monitor Demonstration Project	Establishes a demonstration project within one year of enactment for developing, testing and implementing a national independent monitor program to conduct oversight of interstate and large intrastate chains. The HHS OIG would evaluate the demonstration project after two years	Sec. 6112	Not available
Medicare hospice concurrent care demonstration	Establishes a three-year demonstration program that would allow patients who are eligible for hospice care to also receive all other Medicare covered services during the same period of time. The demonstration would be conducted in up to 15 hospice programs in both rural and urban areas and would evaluate the impacts of	Sec. 3140	Not available

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program	the demonstration on patient care, quality of life and spending the Medicare program.		