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Statement from Donald H. Crane, President and CEO, America's Physician Groups

CMS Announces Medicare Advantage Qualifying Payment Arrangement Incentive Demonstration

“We applaud the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for announcing the Medicare Advantage Qualifying Payment Arrangement Incentive (MAQI) Demonstration. Our physician organization members are leaders in the movement from volume to value, and today’s announcement creates an important new path for groups wishing to move into value.

“Our members know well the increasing importance of Medicare Advantage (MA), and we’re fighting hard to modernize this program that is so critical to the health of millions of America’s seniors. Through our meetings with CMS and CMMI leadership, coalition-building, and grassroots advocacy, we are proud to have succeeded in pushing through the first Medicare demonstration project under the current Administration.

“With nearly 19 million beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare Advantage, it is important to recognize the innovations that physician organizations are undertaking to provide high-quality accountable care to the patients and communities they serve. Advancing the MAQI Demonstration is an important step in the right direction.

“We look forward to continuing working with CMS, the Administration, and Congress to make this Demonstration a success.”

About America's Physician Groups

America's Physician Groups is the nation's leading professional association for accountable physician groups, composed of approximately 300 medical groups and independent practice associations (IPAs) across 44 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. America's Physician Groups' members operate under a capitated, coordinated care model that is the essence of the nation's health reform movement from volume to value. Our Colloquium 2018 will be held October 10-12, 2018 in Washington, DC. Learn more at www.apg.org.

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