

**§ 512.230 Beneficiary inclusion criteria.**

EPM episode care is furnished to beneficiaries who meet all of the following criteria upon admission to the anchor hospitalization:

(a) Enrolled in Medicare Part A and Part B.

(b) Eligibility for Medicare is not based on end-stage renal disease, as described in § 406.13 of this chapter.

(c) Not enrolled in any managed care plan (for example, Medicare Advantage, health care prepayment plans, or cost-based health maintenance organizations).

(d) Not covered under a United Mine Workers of America health care plan.

(e) Have Medicare as their primary payer pursuant to the requirements in § 411.20 of this chapter.

(f) Not prospectively assigned to one of the following:—

(1) An ACO in the Next Generation ACO model;

(2) An ACO in a track of the Comprehensive ESRD Care Model incorporating downside risk for financial losses; or

(3) A Shared Savings Program ACO in Track 3.

(g) Not under the care of an attending or operating physician, as designated on the inpatient hospital claim, who is a member of a physician group practice that initiates BPCI Model 2 episodes at the EPM participant for the MS-DRG that would be the anchor MS-DRG under the EPM.

(h) Not already in any BPCI model episode.

(i) Not already in an AMI; SHFFT; CABG; or CJR model episode with an episode definition that does not exclude the MS-DRG that would be the anchor MS-DRG under the EPM.

**§ 512.240 Determination of the EPM episode.**

(a) *AMI Model*—(1) *General*. The AMI episode begins with the admission of a Medicare beneficiary as described in § 512.230 to an AMI model participant for an anchor hospitalization and ends on the 90th day after the date of discharge, with the day of discharge itself being counted as the first day in the 90-day post-discharge period.

(2) *Cancellation of an AMI model episode*. The AMI episode is canceled and is not included in the determination of NPRA as specified in § 512.305 if the beneficiary does any of the following during the episode:

(i) Ceases to meet any criterion listed in § 512.230(a) through (f).

(ii) Dies.

(iii) Is transferred during the anchor hospitalization for inpatient hospitalization at another hospital.

(iv) Initiates any BPCI model episode.

(b) *CABG Model*—(1) *General*. The CABG episode begins with the admission of a Medicare beneficiary as described in § 512.230 to a CABG model participant for an anchor hospitalization and ends on the 90th day after the date of discharge, with the day of discharge itself being counted as the first day in the 90-day post-discharge period.

(2) *Cancellation of a CABG model episode*. The CABG episode is canceled and is not included in the determination of NPRA as specified in § 512.305 if the beneficiary does any of the following during the episode:

(i) Ceases to meet any criterion listed in § 512.230(a) through (f).

(ii) Dies.

(iii) Initiates any BPCI model episode.

(c) *SHFFT Model*—(1) *General*. The SHFFT episode begins with the admission of a Medicare beneficiary as described in § 512.230 to a SHFFT model participant for an anchor hospitalization and ends on the 90th day after the date of discharge, with the day of discharge itself being counted as the first day in the 90-day post-discharge period.

(2) *Cancellation of a SHFFT model episode*. The SHFFT episode is canceled and is not included in the determination of NPRA as specified in § 512.305 if the beneficiary does any of the following during the episode:

(i) Ceases to meet any criterion listed in § 512.230 (a) through (f).

(ii) Dies.

(iii) Initiates any BPCI model episode.