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Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

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RE: Claudio E. Linares, M.D. NPI: 1831194646
Program Year 2: Meaningful Use Stage 2 Year 1

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM), on Dr. Linares' (hereafter referred to as the Provider) compliance with the requirements of the Medicaid Provider Incentive Program (MPIP) for the year ended December 31, 2016. The Provider is responsible for compliance with the MPIP requirements. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of ODM. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures enumerated below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

1. We obtained the Provider's encounters during the patient volume attestation period. We scanned the list and found one duplicate encounter. We removed duplicates and recalculated encounters. We also found it included multiple payer sources.
2. We recalculated the Medicaid patient volume from the encounters identified in procedure 1 and confirmed the Provider met the 30 percent patient volume requirement.
3. We found that the location where the Provider worked was now using a newer version of the electronic health record (EHR) software reported in the MPIP system. We found that the newer version of the EHR software was approved by the Office of the National Coordinator of Health IT.
4. We obtained the Provider's list of locations and a patient volume encounter report for the meaningful use period. We compared the locations identified in the patient volume report to the Provider's location list and found that not all locations were in patient volume report. We selected 10 patient names from the patient volume report and traced the names to the meaningful use report. We found that two names did not trace from two different locations on the patient volume report were not included in the meaningful use report. The Provider stated that these encounters were a hospital inpatient encounter and a billing error.
5. We obtained supporting documentation for the 10 objectives and compared it to the applicable criteria. We found no exceptions.

For those measures that require only unique patients be counted, we scanned the detailed data and found no duplicates.

6. We obtained supporting documentation for the clinical quality measures and compared it to the applicable criteria. We confirmed the minimum number of measures was met with at least one measure from three different domains.

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This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Provider's compliance with the requirements of the Medicaid Provider Incentive Program. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the ODM, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 18, 2020

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CLAUDIO LINARES

LUCAS COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

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MAY 28, 2020**