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Statement by Don Crane, President and CEO America's Physician Groups

America's Physician Groups Applauds CMS's New Payment Models

Models Reaffirm Administration's Commitment to High-Quality Value-Based Care

"Today's announcement by CMS to launch several new payment models in January 2020 is a win for patients and the physician groups who care for them. For years, our members have demonstrated that patient-centered, integrated, and accountable care can address the low-quality, high-cost care that comes with a fragmented fee-for-service healthcare system. We're very pleased to see that many of our recommendations for improving value-based care were adopted throughout these new models.

"We look forward to meeting with CMS to better understand how benchmarking will be implemented within these payment models. And we'll be taking a closer look at the beneficiary component to see how that might impact both patients and their physician providers.

"Giving even more physicians the option of participating in responsible payment models will open the throttle on the movement from volume to value and improve the health of populations across America. Our members have the expertise in making value-based care work and look forward to working with CMS as these new models come online."

About America's Physician Groups

America's Physician Groups is the nation's leading professional association for accountable physician groups, composed of over 300 medical groups and independent practice associations (IPAs). 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 2019 will be held November 11-13, 2019 in Washington, DC. Learn more at www.apg.org.

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Please click <u>here</u> for a fact sheet and other related material from CMS.

America's Physician Groups will be holding a webinar to review these new payment models and how they may impact the patients and communities providers serve. The webinar will be held on Monday, April 29 at 3:00 pm ET/12:00 pm PT. Please click here to register.