Administrative Policy Manual

Policy: CJR Collaborator Selection	Policy Number: ADM 1-100
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Purpose: Effective April 1, 2016, and subject to narrow exception, all acute care hospitals located in select geographic areas will be participants in the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement (CJR) bundled payment program. The program, extending for five performance years, will assess participants' financial and clinical performance across a 90 day Episode of Care for MS-DRGs 469 and 470.

To participate as a CJR Collaborator, all interested physicians and/or physician group practices (referred to collectively as "Physicians") must agree to certain participant hospital-established selection criteria. This policy is intended to set forth the CJR Collaborator selection criteria for Crystal Clinic Orthopaedic Center (CCOC).

- II. **Policy:** Physicians seeking to participate in the CJR program at CCOC as a CJR Collaborator, must meet the following selection criteria:
 - 1. Practice as an orthopaedic surgeon;
 - 2. As requested by CCOC, participate in CJR-specific care redesign meetings and related activities;
 - 3. Recommend to their patients who are CJR beneficiaries scheduled for surgery at CCOC that they participate in CCOC's joint boot camp and the pre-operative physical therapy evaluation; and
 - 4. Work with the CJR care navigators on discharge plans for the CJR beneficiary patients

The above selection criteria are related to, and inclusive of, the quality of care to be delivered to CJR Beneficiaries. Meeting the above selection criteria will be a condition of participating in the CJR program as a CJR Collaborator.

III. Responsibility: Surgeons, care navigators, CJR Committee members

IV. Procedure:

Any surgeon who has not opted-out of Medicare, is in "good stranding" status with Medicare and compliant with all Medicare provider enrollment requirements, accepts fee-for service Medicare and performs major lower extremity joint procedures (DRGs 469 and 470) at CCOC will be eligible to enter into a financial arrangement with CCOC as a Collaborator.

The CJR Committee of CCOC must Inform and Educate. Inform and educate each Physician that is an orthopaedic surgeon, regarding the potential to participate in CJR as a CJR Collaborator. Such educational outreach <u>must</u> include communicating that the above-stated Selection Criteria are required for participation.

For those Physicians that have expressed interest in participating as a CJR Collaborator, confirm such Physicians' willingness to meet the above selection criteria. To perform a CJR Beneficiary surgery at CCOC that would qualify for the CJR program, the surgeon must be a participating CJR Collaborator.

In addition to above outlined requirements, surgeons must agree to distribute the required beneficiary notification to the patient at the time surgery is scheduled or soon after but before day of surgery and must not object to their information being disclosed on the Hospital's website as being a Collaborator.

DEFINITIONS:

CJR Beneficiary includes Medicare fee-for-service ("FFS") beneficiaries admitted for an inpatient anchor hospitalization for MS–DRG 469 or MS–DRG 470. Medicare must be the beneficiary's primary payer. "CJR Beneficiary" excludes individuals whose Medicare eligibility is on the basis of End Stage Renal Disease ("ESRD"), Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in any managed care plan, and beneficiaries covered by the United Mine Workers of American health plan.

CJR Collaborator is limited, for purposes of this policy, to those physicians or physician group practices that agree to meet CJR participant hospital-established Selection Criteria. **Episode of Care** encompasses both the inpatient stay for CJR Beneficiaries and all related care within 90 days of hospital discharge from the joint replacement procedure.

REFERENCES:

- 1. CJR Final Rule: 80 Fed. Reg. 73274 (Nov. 24, 2015)
- 2. CMS and OIG Fraud and Abuse Waivers
- 3. CMS CJR Model Summary Website