

FHAS Applauds Updated Rules for Federal IDR Process

Leading IDRE welcomes clarified process, enhanced information exchange.

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in medical review and dispute resolution issued the following statement regarding today’s announcement by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services of updated rules governing the federal Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR) Process.

“FHAS commends the departments and agencies involved in the significant, multi-year effort to update and improve the regulations governing the federal

IDR process. The new rules respond to comments and feedback from many parties. They continue the iterative process of building compliance with the letter and spirit of the No Surprises Act – to protect American consumers from surprise medical bills and lower health care costs for all.

“We are confident the new rules will deliver a better, smarter, and more efficient IDR process. Specifically, the enhanced regulations governing open negotiations, batching, and information exchange between parties will clarify the process and reduce the number of ineligible filings that enter the process today. The new IDR Gateway, expected to launch in phases later this year, also will drive greater efficiency throughout the IDR process.

“We have been preparing for the release of these final rules and look forward to meeting with our customers and all parties to help them understand the changes and update their IDR processes for improved compliance and optimal outcomes.”

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