



CMS 101: Introduction to the Use of Medicare Data for Research

February 20 & 21, 2024

9:00am-4:30pm

All times Central Time (CT)

Day 1

- 8:45 CT Virtual meeting space opens
- 9:00 Introductions, objectives, overview
- 9:15 Segment A: Educational Objectives; Introduction to ResDAC's Structure; and Content of the Medicare Program – *Beth Virnig*
- 10:15 Segment B: Claims Data: Source and Processing – *Nathan Shippee*
- 11:00 **Break**
- 11:15 Segment C: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges of using Medicare Data – *Nathan Shippee*
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 12:45 Segment D: Sources and Use of Medicare Enrollment Information: The Master Beneficiary Summary File – *Beth Virnig*
- 2:00 **Break**
- 2:15 Segment E: Hospitalization Information in Inpatient file and the MedPAR – *Stephanie Jarosek*
- 3:30 Segment F: Introduction to Exercises – *Stephanie Jarosek*
- 3:45 Segment G: Interactive Exercise – Using the Master Beneficiary Summary File and the MedPAR file – *Stephanie Jarosek*
- 4:30 **Adjourn**

Day 2

- 8:45 CT Virtual meeting space opens
- 9:00 Segment H: Using the Carrier File and Outpatient Files – *Beth Virnig*
- 10:30 **Break**
- 10:45 Segment I: Interactive Exercise – Outpatient and Carrier Files – *Stephanie Jarosek*
- 12:00 Segment J: Identifying Beneficiaries with Comorbidities and Chronic Conditions – *Nathan Shippee*
- 1:15 **Lunch**
- 2:00 Segment K: Understanding Economic Variables in the Medicare Claims Files – *Peter Huckfeldt*
- 2:45 Segment L: Creating an Analytic File – *Samantha Saykao*
- 3:45 **Break**
- 4:00 Segment M: Putting it all together from idea to design and request – *Beth Virnig*
- 4:15 Final Q & A
- 4:30 **Adjourn**