Selection of CJR Collaborators Policy

Purpose:
To describe the criteria for selection of CJR collaborators under the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Payment Model (CJR Model).

Scope:
All hospitals within the Hackensack Meridian Health (HMH Hospital(s)) network, all Physicians that enter into a Collaborator Agreement with one or more of the HMH Hospitals for the purpose of gainsharing under the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) CJR Model.

Policy:
As part of the HMH Hospitals’ participation in the CJR Model, the HMH Hospitals are required by CMS to develop and maintain a written set of policies for selecting providers and suppliers for sharing gains and risks as CJR collaborators. This Collaborator Selection Policy is in compliance with the CJR Model Final Rule.

Procedure:
The following criteria will be used by HMH Hospitals in selecting Physicians as CJR collaborators:

- The Physician must customarily bill for items or services that are rendered by one or more members of the PGP to CJR beneficiaries.
- The Physician is not an individual or entity that is excluded under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General’s List of Excluded Individuals/Entities, the U.S. General Services Administration’s Excluded Parties List System, or otherwise excluded from participation in Medicare of other Federal Health Care Programs, or are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any federal or state department or agency. Exclusion screening is done monthly by the HMH Compliance division.
- The Physician shall meet the following criteria:
shall be a physician who directly furnishes care to CJR beneficiaries;
shall be licensed to practice medicine in the State of New Jersey, without restrictions;
Shall be board certified or board eligible by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery;
shall maintain current registration with the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration and a current valid narcotics number issued by the State of New Jersey to prescribe controlled substances without sanction, restriction or limitation;
shall remain a member in good standing on the Medical and Dental Staff of the hospital;
shall remain a participating provider in the Medicare program without any prior suspension or termination from such programs;
shall maintain those qualification, credentials, and certifications required by the DOH and by any other legal, regulatory, or accreditation body having jurisdiction, federal or state, presently and at all times during the term of the Collaborator Agreement.
shall attend a minimum of three (3) CJR Quarterly Data Review Meetings during a Performance Year, (Performance Year as defined in the Final Rule);
shall attend a minimum of four (4) CJR Care Redesign Meetings during a Performance Year, (Performance Year as defined in the Final Rule).

Responsibility:

Administrator, Orthopedic Institute, Neuroscience Institute is responsible for the administration and subsequent revisions of this policy.

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Requirements

Approvals:

Approved by Hackensack Meridian Health Comprehensive Joint Replacement (CJR) Steering Committee (11/17/2017).

Relevant Knowledge:

42 C.F.R. §510.500 (c)
§1115A of the Social Security Act – bundled payment model

VeCred – NJHA Sanctions System

Comprehensive Joint Replacement Program Collaboration Agreements 42 C.F.R. §510.205 (c)