



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

August 29-30, 2022

All times Central Standard Time (CST)

Day 1

- 8:45 CT Virtual meeting space opens
- 9:00 Introductions, objectives, overview
- 9:15 Segment A: Introduction to the Medicare Program -- *Beth Virnig*
- 10:15 Segment B: Claims Data: Source and Processing -- *Nathan Shippee*
- 10:45 **Break**
- 11:00 Segment C: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges of using Medicare Data -- *Nathan Shippee*
- 11:45 **Lunch**
- 12:30 Segment D: Sources and Use of Medicare Enrollment Information: The Master Beneficiary Summary File – *Beth Virnig*
- 1:45 Segment E: Understanding Economic Variables in the Medicare Claims Files –*Peter Huckfeldt*
- 2:30 **Break**
- 2:45 Segment F: Hospitalization Information in Inpatient file and the MedPAR-- *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
- 12:00 Segment J: Identifying Beneficiaries with Comorbidities and Chronic Conditions -- *Nathan Shippee*
- 1:00 **Lunch**
- 2:00 Segment K: Creating an Analytic File—*Samantha Saykao, Becky Vick*
- 3:15 **Break**
- 3:30 Segment M: Putting it all together from Idea to Design and Request—*Beth Virnig*
- 4:15 Final Q & A
- 4:30 **Adjourn**