

## **Issues in Medicare Advantage**

**ISSUES:** This session provides information on three topic areas in Medicare Advantage (MA): plan margins, the provider-sponsored organization contracting option, and rules on provider terminations and network adequacy.

**KEY POINTS:** Using historical data that plans submit as part of their MA bids, we find differences in plan margins by plan type and by various plan characteristics. We review the history and current status of provider-sponsored plans, and we describe current CMS policy on provider terminations and network adequacy.

**ACTION:** Commissioners will provide comments on the material and discuss the direction of any additional work on these issues.

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