

from sanctions should be provided as quickly as possible. Therefore, the EPA is invoking the good cause exception under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) in not providing an opportunity for comment before this action takes effect (5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)). However, by this action, the EPA is providing the public with a chance to comment on the EPA's determination after the effective date, and the EPA will consider any comments received in determining whether to reverse such action.

The EPA believes that notice-and-comment rulemaking before the effective date of this action is impracticable and contrary to the public interest. The EPA has reviewed the State's submittal and, through its proposed action, is indicating that it is more likely than not that the State has submitted a revision to the SIP that corrects deficiencies under part D of the Act that were the basis for the action that started the sanctions clocks. Therefore, it is not in the public interest to impose sanctions. The EPA believes that it is necessary to use the interim final rulemaking process to defer sanctions while the EPA completes its rulemaking process on the approvability of the State's submittal. Moreover, with respect to the effective date of this action, the EPA is invoking the good cause exception to the 30-day notice requirement of the Administrative Procedures Act because the purpose of this notice is to relieve a restriction (5 U.S.C. 553(d)(1)).

III. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

This action defers sanctions and imposes no additional requirements. For that reason, this action:

- Is not a "significant regulatory action" subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Orders 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993) and 13563 (76 FR 3821, January 21, 2011);
- Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*);
- Is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*);
- Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4);
- Does not have federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);

- Is not an economically significant regulatory action based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997);
- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);
- Is not subject to requirements of Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the Clean Air Act; and
- The State did not evaluate environmental justice considerations as part of its SIP submittal. There is no information in the record inconsistent with the stated goals of E.O. 12898 of achieving environmental justice for people of color, low-income populations, and indigenous peoples.
- Is not approved to apply on any Indian reservation land or in any other area where the EPA or an Indian tribe has demonstrated that a tribe has jurisdiction. In those areas of Indian country, the rule does not have tribal implications and will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000).

- Is subject to the Congressional Review Act (CRA), 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, and the EPA will submit a rule report to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. The CRA allows the issuing agency to make a rule effective sooner than otherwise provided by the CRA if the agency makes a good cause finding that notice and comment rulemaking procedures are impracticable, unnecessary or contrary to the public interest (5 U.S.C. 808(2)). The EPA has made a good cause finding for this rule as discussed in section II of this preamble, including the basis for that finding.

Under section 307(b)(1) of the CAA, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by February 13, 2023. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the EPA Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purpose of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements (see CAA section 307(b)(2)).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen oxides, Ozone, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: December 4, 2022.

Martha Guzman Aceves,

Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

42 CFR Parts 412, 413, 482, 485, and 495

[CMS-1771-CN]

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Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2023 Rates; Quality Programs and Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals; Costs Incurred for Qualified and Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plans; and Changes to Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Conditions of Participation; Correction

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects typographical errors in the final rule that appeared in the August 10, 2022, **Federal Register** as well as an additional typographical error in a related correcting amendment that appeared in the November 4, 2022 **Federal Register**. The final rule was entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2023 Rates; Quality Programs and Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals; Costs Incurred for Qualified and Non-qualified Deferred Compensation Plans; and Changes to

Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Conditions of Participation”.

DATES:

Effective date: This correction is effective on December 12 2022.

Applicability date: This correction is applicable for discharges beginning October 1, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In the final rule which appeared in the August 10, 2022, **Federal Register** (87 FR 48780) entitled “Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2023 Rates; Quality Programs and Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals; Costs Incurred for Qualified and Non-qualified Deferred Compensation Plans; and Changes to Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Conditions of Participation” (hereinafter referred to as the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule), there were a number of technical and typographical errors. To correct the typographical and technical errors in the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule, we published a correcting document that appeared in the November 4, 2022, **Federal Register** (87 FR 66558) (hereinafter referred to as the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS correcting amendment).

In FR Doc. 2022-24077 of November 4, 2022 (87 FR 66558), there was an inadvertent omission that is identified and corrected in this correcting document. This document also corrects computational errors in FR Doc. 2022-48780 of August 10, 2022 (87 FR 48780). The corrections in this correcting document are applicable to discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2022, as if they had been included in the document that appeared in the August 10, 2022 **Federal Register**.

II. Summary of Errors

A. Summary of Errors in the in the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS Final Rule

On page 49075, in an untitled table regarding direct graduate medical education (DGME) Medicare advantage (MA) payments, we inadvertently made computational errors in the CY 2020 and CY 2021 figures for “Percent Reduction to MA DGME Payments.”

B. Summary of Errors in the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS Correcting Document

On page 66563 of the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS correcting amendment, we inadvertently omitted a correction to the outlier fixed-loss cost threshold for FY 2023 on page 49428 of the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule, to reflect our recalculation of the outlier fixed-loss cost threshold.

III. Waiver of Proposed Rulemaking and Delay in Effective Date

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), the agency is required to publish a notice of the proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** before the provisions of a rule take effect. Similarly, section 1871(b)(1) of the Act requires the Secretary to provide for notice of the proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** and provide a period of not less than 60 days for public comment. In addition, section 553(d) of the APA, and section 1871(e)(1)(B)(i) of the Act mandate a 30-day delay in effective date after issuance or publication of a rule. Sections 553(b)(B) and 553(d)(3) of the APA provide for exceptions from the notice and comment and delay in effective date APA requirements; in cases in which these exceptions apply, sections 1871(b)(2)(C) and 1871(e)(1)(B)(ii) of the Act provide exceptions from the notice and 60-day comment period and delay in effective date requirements of the Act as well. Section 553(b)(B) of the APA and section 1871(b)(2)(C) of the Act authorize an agency to dispense with normal rulemaking requirements for good cause if the agency makes a finding that the notice and comment process are impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest. In addition, both section 553(d)(3) of the APA and section 1871(e)(1)(B)(ii) of the Act allow the agency to avoid the 30-day delay in effective date where such delay is contrary to the public interest and an agency includes a statement of support.

We believe that this final rule correction does not constitute a rule that would be subject to the notice and comment or delayed effective date requirements. This document corrects typographical errors in the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule and the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule correcting amendment, but does not make substantive changes to the policies or payment methodologies that were adopted in the final rule. As a result, this final rule correction is intended to ensure that the information in the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule

accurately reflects the policies adopted in that document.

In addition, even if this were a rule to which the notice and comment procedures and delayed effective date requirements applied, we find that there is good cause to waive such requirements. Undertaking further notice and comment procedures to incorporate the corrections in this document into the final rule or delaying the effective date would be contrary to the public interest because it is in the public's interest for providers to receive appropriate payments in as timely a manner as possible, and to ensure that the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule accurately reflects our policies. Furthermore, such procedures would be unnecessary, as we are not altering our payment methodologies or policies, but rather, we are simply implementing correctly the methodologies and policies that we previously proposed, requested comment on, and subsequently finalized. This final rule correction is intended solely to ensure that the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule accurately reflects these payment methodologies and policies. Therefore, we believe we have good cause to waive the notice and comment and effective date requirements. Moreover, even if these corrections were considered to be retroactive rulemaking, they would be authorized under section 1871(e)(1)(A)(ii) of the Act, which permits the Secretary to issue a rule for the Medicare program with retroactive effect if the failure to do so would be contrary to the public interest. As we have explained previously, we believe it would be contrary to the public interest not to implement the corrections in this final rule correction for discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2022, because it is in the public's interest for providers to receive appropriate payments in as timely a manner as possible, and to ensure that the FY 2023 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule accurately reflects our policies.

Correction of Errors

A. Correction of Errors in the Final Rule

In FR Doc. 2022-16472 of August 10, 2022 (87 FR 48780), we are making the following corrections:

1. On page 49075, in the untitled table, line 8 (“Percent Reduction to MA DGME Payments”),

a. Second column (CY 2020), the figure “3.71%” is corrected to read “3.73%”.

b. Fourth column (CY 2021), the figure “3.22% ” is corrected to read “3.26%”.

B. Correction of Errors in the Correcting Document

In FR Doc. 2022–24077 of November 4, 2022 (87 FR 66558), we are making the following correction:

3. On page 66563, second column, after the 14th full paragraph (item (2)(b)) the text is corrected by adding a paragraph (item (2)(c)) to read as follows:

“(c) Second full paragraph, line 9, the figure “\$38,859” is corrected to read “\$38,788”.”

Elizabeth J. Gramling,

*Executive Secretary to the Department,
Department of Health and Human Services.*

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Parts 512 and 552

[GSAR Case 2020–G505; Docket No. GSA–GSAR–2022–0018; Sequence No. 1]

RIN 3090–AK18

General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR); Clarify Commercial Products and Services Contract Terms and Conditions

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition Policy,
General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) is issuing a final rule amending the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR) to make technical amendments to GSAR clause 552.212–4 regarding commercial items and its prescribing section. This GSAR clause is a deviation to FAR clause 52.212–4. These technical amendments update obsolete references, correct typographical errors, and make minor editorial changes to improve clarity of GSA’s deviation to FAR clause 52.212–4.

DATES: Effective January 12, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Nicholas Giles and Mrs. Johnnie McDowell, Procurement Analyst, at 202–718–6112, for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755 or GSARegSec@gsa.gov. Please cite GSAR Case 2020–G505.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

GSA is amending the GSAR to make several minor technical amendments to 552.212–4 and its prescribing section to

improve clarity of GSA’s Deviation to the equivalent FAR Commercial Items Clause. These technical amendments will assist contracting offices and contractors with understanding applicability of GSA’s deviation to their specific commercial procurement actions.

II. Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 40 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 121 authorizes GSA to issue regulations, including the GSAR, to control the relationship between GSA and contractors.

III. Discussion and Analysis

The final rule makes general wording and cross-reference changes to GSAR clause 552.212–4 and other related sections. For example, the final rule corrects the prescribing section cross-referenced in the introductory text of GSAR clause 552.212–4 from “512.301(e)”, which is now obsolete, to “512.301(b)”, which is current. In addition, the prescribed use of GSAR clause 552.212–4 is not limited to a defined circumstance. Therefore, the final rule removes the term “Alternate II” and any associated language from GSAR clause 552.212–4 to clarify the clause is a “Deviation” as defined and used by FAR 1.401 and GSAR 501.4, and not an “Alternate” as defined by FAR 2.101. Other technical amendments include minor grammatical corrections and minor editorial changes to clarify the applicability of GSA’s Deviation to FAR clause 52.212–4.

IV. Executive Order 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders (E.O.s) 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). E.O. 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This rule is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, is not subject to review under section 6(b) of E.O. 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993.

V. Congressional Review Act

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a “major rule” may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which

includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. The General Services Administration will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a “major rule” under 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

VI. Publication for Public Comment Not Required for This Rulemaking

The statute that applies to the publication of the GSAR is the Office of Federal Procurement Policy statute (codified at title 41 of the United States Code). Specifically, 41 U.S.C. 1707(a)(1) requires that a procurement policy, regulation, procedure or form (including an amendment or modification thereof) must be published for public comment if it relates to the expenditure of appropriated funds and has either a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of the agency issuing the policy, regulation, procedure, or form, or has a significant cost or administrative impact on contractors or offerors. This rule is not required to be published for public comment, because GSA is not issuing a new regulation; rather, this rule merely makes minor editorial changes to improve clarity and corrects typographical errors and outdated cross-references in the GSAR. The rule does not expand or shrink the universe of products or services that the Government may procure using GSAR part 552, nor does it change the terms and conditions vendors must comply with. This rule does not add any new solicitation provisions or contract clauses nor does it add any new burdens because the case does not add or change any requirements with which vendors must comply.

VII. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) does not apply to this rule, because an opportunity for public comment is not required to be given for this rule under 41 U.S.C. 1707(a)(1) (see Section VI. of this preamble). Accordingly, no regulatory flexibility analysis is required, and none has been prepared.

VIII. Paperwork Reduction Act

The final rule does not contain any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under the