## **CMS Releases New Policy Proposals**

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## Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2019

Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released the 2019 <u>Proposed Payment Notice</u> and <u>fact sheet</u> for issuers and Exchanges, generally for plan years beginning on or after January 1, 2019.

Also available as of today:

- The draft <u>2019 Actuarial Value (AV) Calculator</u>, updated to be reflective of the current market, and the draft calculator's <u>accompanying methodology</u>.
- Draft <u>sample methodology for comparing benefits</u> for a state's alternative essential health benefits benchmark plan selection.
- <u>Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) early flexibility</u> <u>guidance</u> for issuers to begin adopting the proposed changes for SHOP starting at the beginning of plan year 2018.

**Public comments are due November 27, 2017.** You can review the full proposed rule by clicking on the button below.

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