

Accountable Care Organizations Data Dictionary

Term Name	Variable Name	Definition	Footnotes	Applicable Performance Year(s)
Accountable Care Organizations	ACOs	Accountable Care Organization (ACO) means a legal entity that is recognized and authorized under applicable State, Federal, or Tribal law, is identified by a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), and is formed by one or more ACO participants(s) that is(are) defined at 42 CFR § 425.102(a) and may also include any other ACO participants described at § 425.102(b) .	NA	2014 - present
ACO Number	ACO_Num	ACO Number. Number is unique for each ACO	NA	2016 - 2019
ACO Identifier	ACO_ID	ACO Identifier. Identifier is unique for each ACO	NA	2017 - present
ACO Name	ACO_Name	When available, ACO's Doing Business As (DBA) Name. If not available, ACO's Legal Business Name (LBN)	NA	2014 - present
State(s) where assigned beneficiaries reside	ACO_Service_Area	State(s) with counties where greater than 1% of assigned beneficiaries reside	NA	2014 - present
ACO Agreement Type	ACO_Agreement_Type	Which agreement period is this ACO currently participating?	NA	2016 - 2018
Agreement Period Number	Agreement_Period_Num	Agreement period number this ACO is currently participating in	NA	2016 - present
Initial Agreement Start Date	Initial_Start_Date	Agreement start date (for initial agreement period)	NA	2016 - present
Current Start Date	Current_Start_Date	Agreement renewal date (for ACOs who have successfully renewed for a second or subsequent agreement period)	NA	2016 - present
Re-entering ACO	Re-entering_ACO	0/1 flag; =1 if re-entering ACO; otherwise 0	NA	2021 - present
Track 1	Track_1	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected Track 1; otherwise 0	NA	2016 - 2021
Track 1+	Track_1+	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected Track 1+; otherwise 0	NA	2018 - 2021
Track 2	Track_2	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected Track 2; otherwise 0	NA	2016 - 2021
Track 3	Track_3	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected Track 3; otherwise 0	NA	2017 - 2019
BASIC_Track	BASIC_Track	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected BASIC track; otherwise 0	NA	July 2019 - present
BASIC_Track_Level	BASIC_Track_Level	BASIC track levels (A, B, C, D, or E) if BASIC Track is equal to 1; otherwise N/A	NA	July 2019 - present

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ENHANCED_Track	ENHANCED_Track	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected ENHANCED track; otherwise 0. Track 3 was renamed the ENHANCED track and is accounted for under this variable	NA	July 2019 - present
High_Revenue_ACO	High_Revenue_ACO	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO is classified as a high revenue ACO; otherwise 0	NA	July 2019 - present
Low_Revenue_ACO	Low_Revenue_ACO	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO is classified as a low revenue ACO; otherwise 0	NA	July 2019 - present
Advance Pay	Adv_Pay	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected to participate in the Advance Pay program; otherwise 0	NA	2016 - present
ACO Investment Model	AIM	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected to participate in AIM; otherwise 0	NA	2016 - present
Advance Investment Payments	AIP	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected to participate in AIP; otherwise 0	NA	2024 - present
Prepaid Shared Savings	PSS	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO selected to participate in PSS; otherwise 0	NA	2026 - present
Skilled Nursing Facility 3-Day Rule Waiver	SNF_3-Day_Rule_Waiver	0/1 flag; =1 if ACO was approved for SNF 3-Day Rule Waiver; otherwise 0	NA	2017 - present
Prospective Assignment	Prospective_Assignment	0/1 flag; =1 if prospective beneficiary assignment methodology; otherwise 0	NA	2020 - present
Retrospective Assignment	Retrospective_Assignment	0/1 flag; =1 if preliminary prospective with retrospective reconciliation beneficiary assignment methodology; otherwise 0	NA	2020 - present
ACO Address	ACO_Address	ACO Address	NA	2014 - present
ACO Public Reporting Website	ACO_Public_Reporting_Website	ACO Public Reporting Website	NA	2014 - present
ACO Executive Name	ACO_Exec_Name	ACO Executive Name	NA	2014 - present
ACO Executive Email	ACO_Exec_Email	ACO Executive Email	NA	2014 - present
ACO Executive Phone	ACO_Exec_Phone	ACO Executive Phone	NA	2014 - present
ACO Public Reporting Contact Name	ACO_Public_Name	ACO Public Reporting Contact Name	NA	2014 - present

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ACO Public Reporting Contact Email	ACO_Public_Email	ACO Public Reporting Contact Email	NA	2014 - present
ACO Public Reporting Contact Phone	ACO_Public_Phone	ACO Public Reporting Contact Phone	NA	2014 - present
ACO Compliance Contact Name	ACO_Compliance_Contact_Name	ACO Compliance Contact Name	NA	2016 - present
ACO Medical Director Name	ACO_Medical_Director_Name	ACO Medical Director Name	NA	2016 - present
ACO Zip Code	ACO_ZIP	ACO Zip Code	NA	2015 - 2021
Geographic Coordinate - Latitude	LAT	ACO Zip Code Geographic Coordinate - Latitude	NA	2015 - present
Geographic Coordinate - Longitude	LONG	ACO Zip Code Geographic Coordinate - Longitude	NA	2015 - present
ACO PC Flex Model	pc_flex_agreement_status	A voluntary model that focuses on primary care delivery in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program). "0/1 flag; =1 if the ACO is approved to participate in the ACO PC Flex model; otherwise 0"	NA	2025 - present