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Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee  
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Letter of Intent – Zhou Yang, Medicare 3 Year Value Payment Demonstration

Dear Committee Members,

I like to express intent to submit a Physician-Focused Payment Model for PTAC review on June 19th.

**Payment Model:** This is a three year defined contribution model to reimburse Medicare covered services. The payment structure will be more flexible than current Medicare Advantage Plans (Medicare MA) model. It will give the benefit carriers more flexibility to reimburse wellness care and chronic disease management services as well as all the clinical services that are currently covered by Medicare Part A and Part B.

**Overview Goals of the Model:** To re-align the financial interest of both the physicians and patients to engage in chronic disease prevention and management. The alternative payment method will greatly increase the value of Medicare with lower cost and better health outcomes of the patients with chronic diseases.

**Expected Participants:** Medicare beneficiaries living in the community without cognitive impairment, Medicare MA carrier, both primary care physicians and specialists in community.

**Implementation Strategy:** I plan to work with CMMI and recruit Medicare MA carriers to implement the payment method in at least three Metropolitan areas across the nation

**Timeline:** I expect to submit the full proposal on June 19th, if approved, I will work with CMMI to recruit Medicare MA carriers to participate. I expect the demonstration to start on Jan 1st, 2018.

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