



## Health Care Reform Update



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING HEALTHCARE REFORM** Update #72 October, 2017

#### **IRS Announces Changes in the PCORI Fee**

The IRS has announced the annual increase in Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) fees paid by health insurers and sponsors of self-insured health plans. The adjusted applicable dollar amount for PCOR fees for plan and policy years ending on or after October 1, 2017 and before October 1, 2018 is \$2.39. This is a \$.13 increase from the amount in effect for plan and policy years ending on or after October 1, 2016 and before October 1, 2017. PCOR fees are calculated by multiplying the applicable dollar amount for the year by the average number of covered lives. IRS Form 720 is used for purposes of PCOR fee reporting and payment.

PCOR fees, which are used to fund research on patient-centered outcomes, apply to plan and policy years ending before October 1, 2019.

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