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In January 2015, CMS announced its plans that 50% of Medicare will be run on a risk sharing basis within the next 5 years

“HHS has set a goal of tying 30 percent of traditional, or fee-for-service, Medicare payments to quality or value through alternative payment models, such as Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) or bundled payment arrangements by the end of 2016, and tying 50 percent of payments to these models by the end of 2018.”

–Sylvia Burwell, Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services—January 26, 2015

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Prosthetics 2020

- A companion program-AOPA administered, but majority of funding from substantial new commitments from AOPA members
 - Attempt to “build a moat” around current prosthetic fee, by solid clinical evidence that timely O&P care saves lives and money

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Prosthetics 2020

- Try to: (i) reverse the misguided message of DME MAC Jurisdiction D incentivizing prosthetic practitioners to guide patients toward lower cost, less functional prostheses; (ii) explore early findings that K-2 patients who receive K-3 technology are less expensive to payers than if they receive K-2 technology

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Prosthetics 2020

- AOPA will be establishing an AOPA Medical Advisory Board to help us in identifying the essential endpoints of measuring value in prosthetic care, and in conveying our scientific message to payers, both in government and in the private commercial insurance community

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Prosthetics 2020

- Generate new prospective clinical research studies that will need to be developed and funded, to be conducted by the best and the brightest in the prosthetic research world. New rock solid science may well portend new payment models and better reimbursement

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