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Summary

Statistical testing was used to identify significant differences on each metric between cohorts. Each metric can have a value of *Significant* (meaning that a statistically significant difference existed between at least two groups) or *No difference* (indicating that no statistically significant differences were found).

Metric	Standard	Expedited
Approval rate	✓ No difference	✓ No difference
Denial rate	✓ No difference	✓ No difference
Approved after appeal	✓ No difference	✓ No difference
Approved after extension	✓ No difference	✓ No difference
Decision time	✓ No difference	✓ No difference

Definitions

• SRF – Social risk factor.

Cohort descriptions

- BOTH_FULL Member's with disability and low-income subsidy.
- **CONTROL** The control group; Medicare members without SRF's.
- DISABILITY_ONLY Presence of only the disability SRF.
- **DIS_OR_LIS** Presence of either the disability or low-income subsidy SRF.
- LIS_FULL_ONLY Presence of only the low-income subsidy SRF.
- Overall An aggregate of all the cohorts listed above.



Column names

- Approval_Rate Approval rate.
- Denial_Rate Denial rate.
- Extension_Rate Percent approved after extension.
- Appeal_Rate Percent approved after appeal.
- **MED_Decision_HRS** Median decision time in hours.
- AVG_Decision_HRS Mean decision time in hours.

Standard authorizations

Group	Approval _Rate	Denial _Rate	Extension _Rate	Appeal _Rate	MED_Decision _HRS	AVG_Decision _HRS
CONTROL	93.17%	6.83%	0%	0%	0	2.71
DISABILITY_ONLY	89.47%	10.53%	0%	1.14%	0	4.19
DIS_OR_LIS	89.47%	10.53%	0%	1.14%	0	4.19
Overall	91.55%	8.45%	0%	0.31%	0	4.37

Expedited authorizations

Group	Approval _Rate	Denial _Rate	Extension _Rate	Appeal _Rate	MED_Decision _HRS	AVG_Decision _HRS
CONTROL	86.84%	13.16%	0%	0%	3.02	3.02
DISABILITY_ONLY	100%	14.67%	0%	0%	2	19.66
DIS_OR_LIS	100%	14.67%	0%	0%	2	19.66
Overall	100%	11.43%	0%	0%	2	2.98

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