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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will adjust Medicare payments to providers based on how well they manage hospital readmissions performance through its SNF Value Based Purchasing (VBP) program starting on October 1, 2018.

The calendar year 2017 performance window used to measure the SNF VBP Readmission Measure (RM) rates for the first year of the program has now passed.

While the data has already been collected, the SNF RM rates have not been finalized. **Providers have until the end of the month, March 31, to review their CMS Quarterly Confidential Feedback reports, identify any issues related to their SNF RM rates and request corrections from CMS by emailing SNFVBPinquiries@cms.hhs.gov.** 

Details on how to access your Quarterly Feedback reports via the Quality Improvement Evaluation System (QIES) and the CASPER reporting application can be found here.

For more information on the SNF VBP program and to access tools and resources on ahcancalED and other sites visit AHCA's VBP website <a href="here">here</a>.

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