



An HHFMA Update with the Experts & Benchmark of the Month

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1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

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2021 Hospice Recommendations

- Recommendations:
 - Eliminate update for FY2022
 - Wage adjust and reduce the hospice aggregate cap by 20%
 - 3% reduction in overall hospice spending
- Impact: \$750 M to \$2 B over 1 year/\$5 to \$10 B over 5 years

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Potential Hospice Payment Reforms

- Increase number of RHC payment categories
- Reduce daily payment rate for long hospice stays
- Create an episodic payment system for hospice
- Create compliance thresholds beyond which payment rates are reduced for all patients (high live discharge, long LOS)