

- CMS [amended terms for payments issued under the Accelerated and Advance Payment Program](#)
- CMS [updated the methodology used to determine the rate of COVID-19 positivity by county](#) which impacts nursing homes who are required to test their staff at a frequency based on the positivity rate of their county.
- CMS released [new tools](#) to streamline certification to test for COVID-19
- CMS [announces the availability of supplemental funding to 33 states](#), including New Jersey, who operate Money Follows the Person demonstration programs to transition individuals from institutions to home and community-based settings of their choosing.
- [CMS Issues Urgent Call to Action](#) Following a drastic decline for children in Medicaid and CHIP due to the COVID-19 Pandemic
- CMS announced a new [Radiation Oncology Model](#) that provides bundled payments to participating providers for 16 different cancer types.
- CMS announced new End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Treatment Choices (ETC) [value-based payment model](#) with incentive for home dialysis and transplant programs.
- Quarterly Q&As from inquiries to the [LTCH Post-Acute Care \(PAC\) Quality Reporting Program \(QRP\)](#) and [Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Patient Assessment Instrument](#)
- [New Roadmap](#) describing how to accelerate adoption of value-based care to improve the quality of care for Medicaid beneficiaries.
- Hospice Quality Reporting Program (HQRP) COVID-19 PR [Tip Sheet](#)
- CMS released updated "tip sheets" to help [Long Term Care Hospitals](#), [Skilled Nurse Facilities](#), [Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities](#) and [Home Health](#) providers understand CMS' public reporting strategy for quality reporting in the midst of the COVID-19 public health emergency
- CMS launched [Care Compare](#), which is a redesign of eight existing tools to make it easier for patients to find doctors, hospitals, nursing homes, and other health care services.
- CMS' [new proposal for accelerated Medicare Coverage of Innovative Technology \(MCIT\) for FDA-designated breakthrough medical devices](#).
- CMS announced Targeted COVID-19 Training for Frontline Nursing Home Staff and Management. Details on how to sign-up can be found [here](#).
- CMS released [a new toolkit](#) with recommended actions to mitigate COVID-19 prevalence.
- CMS released ["Reducing Barriers to Using Telehealth and Remote Patient Monitoring for Pediatric Populations under Medicaid"](#) which identifies best practices and potential solutions for services delivered via telehealth for the treatment of substance use disorders (SUDs) among pediatric populations.
- CMS announced the community and ACO transformation tracks and funding that will be available through the [Community Health Access and Rural Transformation \(CHART\) model](#) to help providers ensure individuals living in rural areas have adequate healthcare.
- CMS released 2019 Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) performance feedback and final scores. If data was submitted for the 2019 performance period,

the MIPS performance feedback and final score on the [Quality Payment Program website](#).

- [CMS released the 2021 proposed rule for the quality payment program.](#)
- [Older Resources](#)