

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Questions and Answers from Open Door Forum: Hospital

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1. Would you be able to repeat that QIO information, the URL information for Livanta please?
 - a. So the Web site is livantaqio.com/en/claimreview/index.html.
2. You said the Livanta would reach out to us about the MOAs. If we already have an established MOA with them, will they utilize the content within the MOAs that they have?
 - a. Yes, that is correct. If they already have an established MOA with a hospital they would continue to operate under that MOA.
3. I notice in some of the data files released with a proposed rule that the 2019 data and the 2020 data seems to look very similar. So it's so similar that it raises questions as to whether there's perhaps, maybe got copied by mistake or something in some of the data files. For example, the AOR, BOR files for case counts by DRG that charges by DRG. So that was one question. The other question concerns the evolution to the digital quality measures in some of the data standardization, the fire, and APIs. One of the key questions that CMS released an earlier transmittal and I thought maybe there would be more in the proposed rule, is about getting actual data on key drugs used during an inpatient case by requesting hospitals to just report two electronic claims, the national drug code since it's all part of the HIPAA transactions. That would be an easy thing to do so I was wondering if they could address that.
 - a. I was just going to say we did update the AOR, BOR files around two hours ago. So you should see a corrected file up on the Web site and any other issues, just let us know. In the proposed rule we don't go into that level of detail. But I really encourage you to submit a comment formally to the comment process and we'll definitely take it into consideration.
4. About accelerated payment relief for hospitals under some CARES funding that came down the pipe and the repayment plans are now being operationalized let's just say with CMS and there's some advocacy going on about seeking a waiver of that. Can you comment on that at all?
 - a. CMS continues to pursue recovery of COVID-19 accelerated and advance payments pursuant to the terms of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021. For more information on the COVID-19 Accelerated and Advance Payment Program, please visit our website at <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/covid-19-accelerated-and-advance-payments>.