

## **Assessing Payment Adequacy: Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities**

**ISSUE:** Are payments for inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs) adequate? How should payments for fiscal year 2011 be updated?

**KEY POINTS:** We examine the following factors using the most recent available data to assess whether Medicare payments for IRFs are adequate:

- supply of facilities and occupancy rates
- volume of services and beneficiaries' access to care
- quality
- access to capital
- payments and costs

**ACTION:** Commissioners should review the findings in advance of voting on the draft recommendation.

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