

Redesigning the Medicare Advantage quality bonus program: Initial modeling of a value incentive program

ISSUE: As discussed in the June 2019 report to the Congress, the current Medicare Advantage quality bonus program (QBP) has led to unwarranted bonus payments, and aspects of the program do not align with the Commission's principles for quality measurement.

KEY POINTS: To replace the QBP, policymakers could consider an outcomes-based Medicare Advantage value incentive program (MA-VIP) that is consistent with the Commission's principles.

ACTION: At the meeting Commissioners will discuss results of preliminary modeling of the MA-VIP using currently available data.